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THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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The next National W. C. T. U. Convention will be held in the Quaker City, the dates to be announced later.

In all probability the 1905 convention will be held in Los Angeles, Cal. Many invitations have been received for the conventions.

It is expected that the statue of Frances E. Willard for Statuary Hall, Washington, D. C., will be finished during the year, in which case those who attend the convention at Philadelphia may arrange to attend the unveiling of the statue immediately following the convention.

ANTI-POLYGAMY.

The efforts to send the Mormon Smoot out of the United States Senate will be successful if each woman who is informed upon the subject does what she can towards getting petitions signed and sent and letters written to congressmen in regard to the matter. Just stop and answer for yourself the question, "what have I done?" The women and girls of this country, blest with the sunlight of God's love and the privilege of Christian homes, owe some time, influence, energy and effort toward the eradication of this awful Mormon scourge. In His name lend some help. Send for petitions to Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis, Washington, D. C., care of Reform Bureau; in the meantime, get two or more voters to write to your Senators, asking them to use their influence against a Mormon apostle being in the United States Congress.

SUCCESS OF PROHIBITION.

According to official statistics of the Census Bureau given out on October 25, 1900, nine counties in California lost in population in the preceding ten years, every one of them a saloon county. Seven cities suffered a decline in population during the decade, every one of them a saloon city. The average gain of the whole State during the ten years was not quite 23 per cent. The average gain of the Prohibition cities, over 90 per cent, or nearly four times the average of the whole State. The great saloon city of San Francisco gained only two-thirds as fast as the whole State. Sacramento less than one-half as fast and nearly all the prominent saloon cities in like proportion. Surely as a business proposition prohibition pays.

The county of Los Angeles has a precinct option ordinance that has swept the saloons from a majority of the precincts, and only three towns outside the city of Los Angeles have saloons. The city of Los Angeles has limited the number of saloons to 200, one to every 600 inhabitants. San Francisco has one saloon to every 85 inhabitants. The following figures show the relative growth of San Francisco with its 4,000 saloons and Los Angeles with 200 saloons:

	1890	1900	Per Ct. Inc.
San Francisco.....	298,997	342,782	15
Los Angeles.....	50,395	102,479	103

Real estate men of prohibition cities, in all advertising matter sent east, make the statement prominent that the place advertised has no saloons, because they know it will attract a desirable class of home-seekers. School authorities know that the absence of the saloon is helpful to all educational centers. As a result we have the mile limit law at Berkeley and prohibition at Palo Alto, two of the most rapidly growing cities of the State. Two prohibition counties are Riverside and Sutter. The city of Riverside adopted prohibition in 1894 and the result was so satisfactory that the county adopted a similar ordinance. The population of the city of Riverside in 1890 was 4,645; 1903, 12,000. Building improvements alone in the city during the past two years have amounted to over \$1,000,000. The city of Pasadena was incorporated in 1886, became a prohibition city in 1887. Value of building permits issued during 1903, \$1,200,000. The growth of Redlands has been wonderful; for the past two years has amounted to 43 per cent. increase. The assessed valuation for the year 1902 was over half a million greater than the figures of the preceding year. Over three hundred new business blocks and residences were constructed during the past year. The other prohibition cities of southern California are equally prosperous.—*Exchange.*

In every White Ribbon home the *Union Signal* should be taken. Price, one dollar per year. Please subscribe for it for yourself and for one young woman whose life is touched by the Christ love. Send subscriptions to Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill.

Headquarters for Temperance Literature. Room 915 the Silversmiths Building, 131-137 Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Ill., in charge of Miss Addie A. Austin and Miss Ruby T. Gilbert. Send to these young women for supplies, leaflets, pictures, badges and other W. C. T. U. supplies. All orders will receive prompt attention.

TO THE MOTHERHOOD OF INDIANA.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Happy because it is to be full of good works, trying to carry the gospel of light and love to darkened sin, cursed rum, ruined hearts and homes. Already I have received several letters saying: "I have been appointed Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings. Will you please give me some information on this subject?" To all such I gladly respond. Dear Sisters we are not only dealing for time, but for eternity. May the dear Lord put this work on your hearts as never before. To begin: "Knowledge is power." To be intelligent workers we must have literature. It would be well for every Superintendent to have "American Motherhood," by Dr. Mary Wood Allen, \$1.00 per year. A most helpful book for any mother who is earnestly seeking to know the best for self and baby. Every union ought to supply their superintendent with some literature. As Mothers' Meetings and the Purity Work have again been combined, and as home keepers, we dare not be indifferent to the evils of impunity blighting so many young lives and bringing sorrow to so many homes. In order to counteract these evils, and establish a single standard of purity for men and women, we must enlist all the forces we can rally and do our work as "unto the Lord." Introduce the White Ribbon Cradle Roll into your Mothers' Meetings. There is no better way of interesting young mothers in our work than by inducing them to enroll their babies as members of this branch. My Leaflet will explain the White Ribbon Cradle Roll, and a sample will be sent to all who apply. We cannot reach out after the children too early.

I will send report blanks to all County Superintendents whose names I have. If I should miss any please apply to me. Let this year be the best we have ever known for the advancement of our department. Superintendents, please be accurate in reporting. So much is lost in our reports because we forget. I pledge you, dear hearts, the best I have for this another year. May God help us to all stand together for the protection of the home, the salvation of children and the destruction of the sum of all villany, the Legalized Saloon.

MR. S. M. STAHL,
State Superintendent.

TEXAS LOCAL OPTION HARD HIT.

Battle in sight for Constitutional Prohibition—What leaders say—A special to the Fort Worth *Record* declares that the recent decision of the Texas court of appeals in the C. O. D. shipment case will open up the State to the wholesale liquor men. The court decided that the Terrell Local Option law of 1901, which sought to prevent such shipment into local option territory is unconstitutional and this decision, coming just at the close of the State local option convention, tends to nullify the efforts of that body in planning more aggressive work. One of the foremost local option leaders in the State said to the *Record* correspondent:

"This, as I view it now, without a copy of the full opinion to peruse, I regard as the strongest blow against local option and the strongest in favor of State prohibition yet dealt in Texas. Its effects are likely to be most important. It looks as if this decision opens up legally the entire local option territory of Texas to the unbroken package and 'jug trade' system of the wholesale liquor men and breweries, and which they have so energetically, adroitly and illegally worked, pending the settlement of the question before the court. * * * The prospect is really a discouraging and disheartening one for local optionists. It would seem to confirm the oft-repeated assertion of straight Prohibitionists, that 'local option can't prohibit, even where adopted.'"

This leader believes that if the above conviction becomes general among the Democrat local optionists of Texas, the saloonists and brewers might as well prepare for a fiercer fight than was waged in 1887, when the prohibition amendment to the constitution was defeated by a majority of 192,000.

He further says in this connection: "That victory over constitutional prohibition was not won by the liquor men and brewery managers, as they seem to have deluded themselves into believing; it was won by the great mass of local option Democrats, who hold to the good old Democratic theory of local self-government in all things."

If local option should be abandoned for constitutional prohibition, as may be the case, the sequel will be that "the liquor traffic will be driven out of Texas, root and branch."

Dr. J. B. Cranfill believes the decision is destined "to be very hurtful to the cause of liquor prohibition in the State." He does not criticize the justice of the decision under the law, but in conclusion he says: "Let the liquor men not hug any delusion to their hearts. This is going to be a prohibition State and that speedily. The time will soon come when there will not be a liquor saloon in Texas, and when it does

come, it will be the greatest day for the liquor dealers themselves that our State has ever seen."

Rev. G. C. Rankin, editor of the *Texas Christian Advocate*, comments as follows: "The rendering of this decision will make every express office in the local option districts practically a bar room and the agent a practical bartender. * * * [and] furthermore, this decision is necessarily going to precipitate a sentiment in favor of a State Prohibition campaign, unless the civil courts or the legislature come to the relief of the people"—*Exchange.*

Y. W. C. T. U.

This is the first time since my re-election that I have had an opportunity to send you a message through the column of our State paper. I wish all a Happy Christmas and a Useful New Year. Let us do something that will count for our Lord this year 1904.

Miss Blanche Shockney, Greentown, Ind., R. R. No. 3, is Howard County Y. Secretary.

The first quarterly report blanks, sent out the first of the month, comes in very slow. Answer in some way and return them please.

Your Secretary was in Cincinnati a few days attending the National Convention and will be glad when I go to visit your Unions to tell you all about it.

Shall we hold a Mid-summer Y. Conference, girls, as many of the other States do? Let me know what you think of the plan sent your local or County President or Secretary. We want an expression, so we can plan.

Write for plans, programs, pledge cards or year books, which we hope to have soon, or Y. Almanac, 25 cents a piece, to help our Missionary, Miss Kara Smart, in Japan.

CLARA M. SEARS.

TEXAS.

There are thirty-nine prohibition counties in Texas which furnish only twenty-three convicts. San Jacinto County, with open saloons and a population of 10,277, has twenty-five convicts in the penitentiary. Montgomery County, with saloons and a population of 17,067, has forty-one convicts in the penitentiary. These two poor piney-woods counties, dominated by saloons, have nearly three times as many convicts as the above named thirty-nine prohibition counties. Collin County, with prohibition and a population of 50,087, has twenty convicts. Lamar County, with saloons and a population of 48,627, has ninety-six convicts within the walls. Taking prohibition territory throughout, there is one convict to about 1,500 population. In whisky territory there is one convict to every 500 population.

Mrs. Florence D. Richard, of Ohio, gave an account of a wonderful pledge-signing crusade in Chicago. Five weeks were given to this work in Sunday-schools, day schools, stores, factories, etc., resulting in 75,000 signatures to the total abstinence pledge. The managers of the great department stores received her very kindly and gave her every opportunity to address their employees, in one case extending her time into business hours. She found a most responsive audience in 600 cash boys, who declined to entertain a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Richards is a lay delegate from one of the Ohio conferences to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church which will meet next May.

You will be glad to know that an unusually large proportion of the Annual Report has been sold and sent out. If any of you want orders filled please send to the treasurer at once fifteen cents for single copy, post paid. If a half dozen copies or more are wanted send ten cents per copy and pay the express when the books are delivered. Some of you have been troubled because they are later than you expected. The compiler, our Recording Secretary, was very prompt getting in the copy, but some "unexpected things usually occur." The printer told us at the beginning that he was very busy. I am glad to have them thus early, and to get such good value for our money. Send to

ALICE RUTH PALMER,
398 Kentucky St., Franklin, Ind.

MEDAL CONTEST WORKERS.

How time is flying! It seems but a short time since we were in the Hartford City convention, and still it has been two whole months and what have we done toward holding 650 contests? There are some who are working faithfully and others from whom I have not heard. Let us all be up and doing, for if we hold 650 contests this year it means about 55 each month. Now, are you helping to bring the banner to Indiana? Remember, the few cannot do it alone. We need you. We have only held 65 thus far altogether. Now, we want to make up for lost time and work with renewed energy the whole of the remaining year. Pray for me and work with me and I am sure the Lord will bless our efforts.

CORA M. STEELE.

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NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION

Is one of the subjects now interesting men of science in this country as never before. The Red Cross Hospital, of New York, and the Frances Willard Hospital, of Chicago, are demonstrating the fact that alcohol is not necessary in medicine. The splendid Supplement this month on the subject of non-alcoholic medication is edited by our State Superintendent of that department, Mrs. A. T. Whitson. Through her energetic efforts and splendid plans much aggressive work has been done all over Indiana during the past year.

The readers of the MESSAGE will accept this Supplement as the gift of this department.

PUBLIC MEETINGS.

If you expect your Union to be helped, encouraged and supported by the good people of your community, you should hold at least one good public meeting a quarter in some one of the churches. Now would be a good time to engage the churches and lay plans for the programs. Engage your speakers now. Advertise and advertise by talking and announcing through your many church meetings and through the newspapers. Do this for several weeks and previous to each quarterly meeting and you will surely find it pays. Every Union should hold at least one parlor meeting quarterly. The ordinary business meeting, followed by a short, good program, will interest every one who attends. Then serve refreshments and enjoy a social half hour, at which time new members will always be secured after a few parlor meetings are held. We need the good men of every community. Invite them to evening parlor meetings and they will come and get interested.

STATE PRESIDENTS' NIGHT AT THE NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The following are some of the minute speeches made by a few of the many State Presidents on the last evening of the convention (before an immense audience) as reported in the *Union Signal*:

Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, of Indiana: Indiana has done more this year to support the cause of temperance than in any year in her history. In the first place, our state paper, the MESSAGE, goes into every W. C. T. U. home; then, we have had most excellent public meetings during the year. We had with us one week our most excellent President, Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, and our noble Vice-President, Miss Anna A. Gordon. They made a tour of the State and were most acceptably received, delighting many large audiences. We also had Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp, of Kentucky; Miss Carrie Lee Carter, National Organizer, and Mrs. Maria Weed, who came to speak to us on the Mormon question. Miss Marie C. Brehm, of Illinois, who is a neighbor, also favored us with her presence and our own Vice-President and Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley have been in the field 219 days this year.

Mrs. Emma Bourne, of New Jersey: The best of all that came to New Jersey last year was this good National President and this good National Vice-President. Another good thing that we had in New Jersey was the greeting from Bishop Fitzgerald, of the Methodist Church, who said to the great audience at Ocean Grove that next to the church of God he likes best to greet the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

Mrs. Morrow, of West Va.: Legislative victories seem to be the keynote of the testimonials this evening. West Virginia has had a few. We have had a code temperance measure enacted by our legislature, bringing our prohibitive territory under the blessings of federal law and out of the hands of commerce. While we have had no notable achievements, we had the largest convention ever held in the State of Virginia.

Mrs. Katharine Lente Stevenson, of Massachusetts: Massachusetts' chief victories this year may be defined, I think, in the way the boy wrote his composition—that pins have saved a great many lives by not swallowing them. Twenty-two bills were presented by the liquor interests of Massachusetts, every one of which, through the prompt action of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, united with other

organizations, were smothered in committee. We take away four banners from the convention, showing that we have done good department work, but perhaps our greatest victory and triumph is a prophecy because the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union invited the next World's Convention to come to Boston. The invitation has been accepted and you are all invited.

Miss Emma E. Page, representing Wyoming: I am glad to be a minute woman for Wyoming. There can be said for Wyoming what can be said for no other State in the Union—that she has had woman's suffrage for thirty-four years. Wyoming brings to this great country the solution of one of its most perplexing problems—the divorce evil. They say in my splendid west there are twice as many as in the east, but in Wyoming, where woman has had the ballot for so long, there are one-fourth as many divorces according to the population, as in any other State in the Union. They say that in Wyoming they have not established prohibition. That is true, but when the question is up there is a larger woman's vote polled than men's vote on the question, and they are going to succeed, for God is with them, and God never yet lost a battle.

Mrs. Ida H. Read, of Vermont: Vermont has not come to the platform to boast of any victories. After standing for fifty years on the mount of prohibition Vermont has come down to the valley and shadow of local option and high license with the majority of those States that are represented on this platform tonight. We have had a hard struggle in that State, and while you have had the storm centers in the South the cyclone of the liquor traffic has swept our Green Mountain State, and through the failure of the manhood of Vermont to appreciate their blessed privilege at the ballot box we have lost the beautiful star of prohibition that brought peace and prosperity. In this hour of darkness Mother National was true to her daughter. Such words of cheer and love as came to support our drooping spirits and the money, too that came to help us in this great battle against wrong makes the defeat that we are obliged to acknowledge to-night a greater tribute to righteousness than victory of wrong. Mother National sent to us ten of the magnificent women who are special field workers, and our own beloved president and vice-president came to us in the storm and bluster of winter, going here and there and ringing out their strong voices against this great wrong that was threatening us. How we thank them for it all! I come to-night to show our appreciation by presenting the name of our State Treasurer as a life member of the National W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Harriet B. Kells, of Mississippi: As I have listened to these other State Presidents I am reminded of what Mr. Dooley said to Mr. Hinnisey: "It do take a great many bunches of naves to say so many fine things of yourself; 'tis a bold one that can do it." Nevertheless, I am bold enough to say that Mississippi is a promising State, especially before the primary election. At the last election we astonished everybody, as well as ourselves, for we elected everybody we didn't want. Mississippi is the storm center of the temperance question in the United States. I know Texas will dispute that, because it is her big and breezy way and because she is so graciously riding on the crest of her recent victories, but Texas is just where Mississippi was fifteen years ago when local option was sweeping its patch like wild fire through the South; only ten counties in Mississippi are wet to-day. But we find local option a delusion and a snare and now we are on the firing line for straight prohibition. We have a new million dollar capitol, and the first time the Legislature meets we intend to memorialize it for a prohibitory law and we want you to come down and help us. We now extend to you a public invitation to hold the next National Convention at Jackson and help us to win that victory.

HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Knowing that the different W. C. T. Unions are desirous of learning about the work being done in the Hadley Industrial School and of the needs of its inmates, I wish that I had the pen of a ready writer, in order that I might present them in such a manner as would arouse a greater interest in the Home than ever before known.

First, the school proper is in a very prosperous condition. Miss Hobart, who served so faithfully upon the Board for a number of years, was here recently and expressed herself greatly pleased—said it is better in every respect than it has been for years. The order is good, and Miss Florence Myers, the teacher, who expects to go out as a missionary to China next year, is putting all the force of her character and working even beyond her strength to aid the girls in making the very most and best of themselves—physically, mentally and spiritually. She has put in hard labor trying to beautify the school room—tinting its walls, decorating it with pictures and mottoes, and in various ways making it attractive, so as to give the girls pleasure and comfort.

She not only teaches in the day, but has a study home in the evening—first, an hour of study; then services, which are generally led by one of the pupils—all are expected to take part, either by testimony or prayer. A number have been converted since the term of school has commenced and nearly all now profess to be Christians. Their ages range from six to sixteen; over half of them are twelve years of age and over. Some of the little ones make beautiful

prayers, and their testimony is very definite and sometimes quite touching. There is good work being done here along all lines.

Some people get the idea that this is a Reform School and try to get incorrigible girls in here, but they are never knowingly received and if they get in are sent away. The School and Home being so inseparably connected, the demeanor of the pupils in the Home is marked on their Department report in School. Disobedience or disrespect to the officers; lack of promptness; the condition of their rooms; their dress, manners at table, cleanliness, etc. They commence with one hundred credits, all misdemeanors subtract from these credits, and once in two months a report will be sent to parent, guardian or W. C. T. U. In case of flagrant misdemeanors, the one who sends them here is notified of it, but it is very seldom necessary to resort to this measure.

Unions and individuals from different States write for our circulars and methods and even apply for admission for children under their care, but we cannot admit many who apply in our own State and refuse all applications from other States. I should have said that Miss Myers gives the pupils short talks on table manners and many things that go to make for their improvement in various ways.

There are four officers in the Home at present—Superintendent, teacher, matron in the kitchen and a general assistant, who oversees the washing and ironing, administers medicine when any are sick and sews. Everybody needs to hustle here to do the absolutely necessary work of cooking, washing dishes, setting tables, milking, making butter, washing, ironing, sweeping twelve rooms daily and several others once or twice a week, four halls and four flights of stairs in the house, besides a porch stairs and pavements out of doors, getting children ready for school, besides other duties too numerous to mention.

The very moderate salary the officers are paid is not an inducement to any but self-sacrificing persons to stay here after they get here; and the hard labor breaks down constitutions that are not iron-clad, because of the lack of needed help on account of the strained circumstances of the institution. If the institution could be endowed or have a larger amount of tillable land to work, so that more eatables could be grown and more fodder for the stock raised, it would simplify matters. But with only sixty acres of tillable land on which to raise food for the inmates of the Home and for the stock, it takes more money to supply the needs here than most people realize; and the donations received do not adequately supply the groceries and fuel and provide for the absolute necessities of a family of over thirty, even though our food is very plain and the salaries of the officers extremely moderate. Fruit of every kind was a failure in this vicinity this season and dried fruit would greatly add to our comfort.

The keeping of the books and attending to the correspondence and overseeing the affairs of the house and farm ought to be considered enough for one woman to do, but in addition she has to do manual labor on account of the lack of help and the poor little girls who need mothering are deprived of any mother care. The older girls who need advice and the watchful care of an older person in the continual hustling, cannot receive as much attention as they need.

Owing to this lack of money and consequently of help, the officers, as I said, work too hard and are unable to remain very long, so that frequent changes are compelled to be made, very much to the detriment of the girls.

If any one contemplates giving money for benevolent purposes, here is an object worthy of consideration and gifts of all charitably inclined people. Now is the time to form the characters of these girls and now is the time we need the co-operation of all benevolent and Christian people, and we hope to hear in a substantial manner from many such who only have to be told of our needs to help provide for them.

Mrs. L. D. Burnett-Cowan, whom some of you may remember as State Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings when we first added that department to our work in Indiana, is now acting as Superintendent of the Home and School, holding the post until some reliable, persevering Christian woman can be found to fill the place, who has stick-to-it-iveness enough to stay in spite of hard places.

The farmer, an old gentleman who has not for years worked out of doors in cold weather, is holding his place until some one can be found to relieve him. He is not only a good farmer, but a Christian gentleman, a suitable associate and protector of the young girls whose duties, milking cows, working in the garden and laboring in various ways on the farm, necessarily compel them to associate together. Hoping for a prompt and generous response, I make this report of the success and also the needs of the school.

LOCATION OF INSTITUTES.

North, South, East and West have been heard from according to the institute plan proposed at State Convention, but counties in all these sections have not yet located their institutes and in fact all counties were not represented at Convention.

Let every County President who has not done so call an executive meeting at once and locate the institute. This may also be done by correspondence with other county officers and the locality where the institute is most needed. When the location is decided on please notify at once the Superintendent.

MARY HADLEY HALL,
285 E. Jefferson St., Franklin, Ind.

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MOTTO.

"Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby, whether as a beverage or as a medicine, is not wise."

PLEDGE.

I hereby solemnly promise, God HELPING ME, to abstain from all distilled, fermented and malt Liquors, including Wine, Beer and Cider, and to employ all proper means to discourage the use of and traffic in the same.



THE FRANCES E. WILLARD NATIONAL TEMPERANCE HOSPITAL, CHICAGO, ILL.

NON-ALCOHOLIC ISSUE.

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The closing month of the year of 1903 finds the Frances E. Willard National Temperance Hospital building well under way, the fine weather of November greatly aiding the work. The cost of the building will be about sixty thousand dollars, for which provision has been duly made. A legacy from William Bush, a prosperous business man of Chicago, and in full sympathy with the work of the hospital, and a gift from the medical department of the college located at Valparaiso, Ind. (this medical department is separated only by a court from the property owned by the hospital), of ten thousand dollars, made it possible to consider the erection of this new modern structure. In accepting this gift from the college the hospital in no way compromises its authority, all management of the new hospital remains unchanged, and the constitution, by-laws, principles and pledge (which latter is the distinctive feature of our temperance hospital found expedient in past years), will govern the new institution. These donations added to the fund which had been accumulating for several years made the entire amount in sight a starting place. Our lots were paid for several years ago. To complete the building we have secured a loan of thirty-five thousand dollars on long time and reasonable rate of interest, thus making possible the fulfillment of the long deferred hopes for this hospital which, in its work, demonstrates the great heart principles of the W. C. T. U.

Mrs. L. H. Plumb, one of the incorporators of the hospital, has promised to endow a bed in perpetuity, donating the sum of five thousand dollars, which is the necessary amount, the bed to be called the Mary Allen West bed. A few more such generous donors would place the hospital past the necessity of a struggle with any indebtedness. The building is to be a four story and basement, strictly fire proof, modern and commodious, ample in size to accommodate from seventy five to eighty patients, with plenty of light, airy rooms.

It is expected that the building will be completed, ready to occupy, by May 1, 1904, at which time a bazar will be held. Useful and fancy articles will be most acceptable for this sale. It would be a great monument to the principle of non-alcoholic medication, and to the temperance cause generally, if this grand institution could be dedicated free from debt. It will if we all pull together and lift a little in the work.

MRS. MARGARET INGLEHART,
President of the Hospital Board.

The principle of non-alcoholic medication must be generally accepted before prohibition can be established on firm foundations. The growth of this enterprise is such that we must have a building.—Frances E. Willard in annual address at Atlanta, 1890.

1876. At the suggestion of Frances E. Willard, Mrs. Wittemeyer, then President of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, presented a memorial from that body to the International Medical Congress, the most representative medical body convened up to that time, 600 delegates in attendance, which met at Philadelphia. The memorial asked that an inquiry be made as to whether alcohol in medicine was a necessity. The Medical Congress had just tabled a similar request from another temperance society, but when this memorial was presented they took the first request from the table and consented to grant a professional reply. Their deliverance was:

- (1) Alcohol is not shown to have a definite food value.
- (2) Its use as a medicine is chiefly that of a cardiac stimulant, and admits of substitution.
- (3) As a medicine it is not well fitted for self-prescription by the laity.
- (4) The purity of alcoholic liquors is not as well assured as articles of medicine should be.

1883. The American Medical Association, in session at St. Louis, was visited by Mary Allen West, editor-in-chief of the *Union Signal*, and Mrs. Clara Hoffman, State President of the W. C. T. U. of Missouri. This Congress reaffirmed the action of 1876, and also on request from our representatives requested Congress to pass the scientific temperance instruction law to apply to all schools under national control.

At the National W. C. T. U. Convention held in Detroit in October of this year, Dr. Mary Weeks Burnett, Superintendent of Department of Heredity, first introduced the plan of establishing a "National Temperance Hospital and College, where should center the reputable schools of medicine, old and young, regular and irregular, great and small," "where any student or patient could have any kind of a teacher or physician;" where, to quote Miss Willard in words uttered when the hospital was first opened, "we have but one fixed law; no matter who you are, when your medicine is prepared, take notice, once for all, that you cannot have alcohol in yours under any circumstances at any time." The formal opening of the hospital occurred on May 4, 1886, and the first patient was Miss Grace Hamm, from Canada. Dr. S. J. Hillsop was the first interne. The following resolution was adopted:

"Physicians of pure character, in good standing, who are total abstainers from alcohol and tobacco, may become members of the visiting and consulting staff after signing the pledge not to administer alcohol in any form to his patients, nor call into consultation any physician who would advise its use."

FROM THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT, LILLIAN M. N. STEVENS, PORTLAND, ME.

There is abundant proof that alcohol in medicine often creates an appetite for strong drink and that it arouses in some an inherited appetite, which appetite might be as harmless as a little powder in an obscure corner of a house, but touch a match to this powder and the house would be set on fire. The hereditary



appetite is kindled very often by alcoholic medicine, and in some cases which have come under my observation the fire thus kindled cannot be quenched. Again, there is an increasing amount of proof that alcohol as a medicine is not necessary. Not long ago, in conversation with a physician, he stated that there was not now nearly as much alcohol prescribed by physicians as twenty-five years ago, and gave as one reason that there are many temperance women who have been asking their family physicians if there is nothing they can substitute for alcohol. He admitted that there are many substitutes, giving as an illustration that it was easy and handy to order brandy for fainting spells and in the old time it usually pleased

the patient. Spirits of ammonia or capsicum answer the same purpose and in these later days people are finding this out and the temperance people especially are glad to know it. The educational work of the W. C. T. U. in this line is certainly felt. Such testimony as to the good results of non-alcoholic medication as were given by Dr. Homer Hall, of Indiana, on the platform of our Cincinnati Convention, is very convincing and encourages us to believe that some day there will be full recognition of the principles and practice advocated by the W. C. T. U.

"Non-alcoholic treatment of disease is meeting with great success. Our principles are being more generally approved and our influence extended by means of this noble institution (Temperance Hospital.) This is bed-rock testimony and whenever we have struck down the use of alcohol as a necessary concomitant of the medical practice, we shall have won our cause before the public."—Frances E. Willard, 1892.

FINED FOR SELLING PERUNA.

Several months ago nine of the merchants of Wyoming county, W. Va., were indicted in from one to six cases each, making an aggregate of twenty-six cases, for selling Peruna, on the ground that it is an intoxicating drink and its sale was a violation of the liquor laws of the State. An agreement was made whereby one was to be made a test and the whole to abide by the results of that one. The *Wyoming Herald* gives the following synopsis of the trial:

"At a former term of the court the case selected being the one against V. L. Kelly, was tried, and resulted in a verdict of not guilty. Being a revenue case, the prosecuting attorney moved to have the verdict set aside, and Judge Sanders took the matter under advisement until next term, when he set aside the verdict and granted a new trial. At the last term of court the case was again tried. Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Edw. Sarver had a bottle of it analyzed, which showed it to contain 28 per cent of alcohol. The sales were not denied, but the defense proved it to be patent medicine and largely advertised, and that they bought it as such and also offered to prove that he sold it as a medicine, and when he learned it would produce intoxication he at once desisted from the sales, but the court refused to let the evidence go to the jury, who returned a verdict of guilty and the court imposed a fine of \$100 and costs in each case, which amounted to between \$700 and \$800 in all. This is said to be the first conviction for selling Peruna."

A strong quartette will go out in Indiana Institute work this year. Rev. Alice R. Palmer, State Treasurer, who was so acceptably in the work last year, our State President, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, whom Indiana white ribboners will all be delighted to see and hear and our well known and much appreciated Mrs. Pearce, of Terre Haute and Mrs. Haughton, of Richmond, with your Superintendent as a supply, to fill possible vacancies.

MARY HADLEY HALL.

While the Free Parliament at our Institutes was open to any or all departments no one was more generally selected for the program than that of Non-Alcoholic Medication or developed more intelligent enthusiastic discussion. The physicians were out in good force to take part in these discussions, and the truths brought to light by them and others, were a revelation even to those who had given the subject some attention. It is safe to predict that our local unions, during the coming year, will study this department as never before. All hail to this scientific light, which is and must increasingly be an invaluable friend to our cause.

MARY HADLEY HALL,
State and National Supt. Institutes.

LETTER FROM THE NATIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION.

Indiana sent one of the best reports of this department received last year. Her President and State Superintendent promise even better things for 1904. This promise local and county Unions will, no doubt, do their part in making good, for the bright women of Indiana see the hopefulness for total abstinence reform from this department, so will not need coaxing and pushing in order to set to work wisely and with diligence. I would recommend that each Union send to Mrs. Whitson or to me for a copy of the department book, "Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine," and have it used at each meeting this year for ten minutes of study, beginning with the chapter upon "Diseases and Their Non-Alcoholic Treatment." Have some bright woman who is a good reader in charge of this study. This is not devoting too much time to one department and it is providing proper equipment for those who are engaging in the war



against intemperance. We must be familiar with the facts and have arguments at command or we shall never win in the fight for total abstinence. The book was prepared to meet this need and where it is being used intelligently the women are enthusiastic over it. The Superintendent of North Dakota says "it is as fascinating as a novel."

To influence those outside of our own membership distribution of leaflets is necessary, or press work, or public meetings, or all of these. Indiana is a little behind some of the strong States in the distribution of department literature, although so well forward in the special work done by the State Superintendent. The leaflet upon "Patent Medicines" has elicited warm approval from leading physicians recently. The editor of the St. Paul Medical Record, for instance, said: "The distribution of such literature will be commended by the entire medical profession. I hope your work may have the wide influence it deserves."

Among recent expressions regarding the medical use of alcohol which should inspire us with fresh courage is the following from Sir Victor Horsley, one of the foremost surgeons of England: "I never order alcohol. If, after an operation, a patient needs stimulating, we have better remedies to turn to. No alcohol is given in my surgical wards because I know patients recover better without it. Alcohol fails to help any of the physiological activities of the body, so its use will drop out of treatment gradually, just as the fashion of bleeding patients has been dropped."

Dr. James Edmunds, of London, also said in the Practitioner, of November, 1902, a special alcohol edition: "Looking back now, after fifty years of active medical work in London, I believe that my patients and I have gained everything and lost nothing by my disuse of alcoholic beverages."

In the same journal, Dr. A. Pearce-Gould (than whom no more eminent surgeon lives), says: "For many years I have dispensed almost entirely with alcohol as an aid in surgical treatment. As a student, I saw it used for every kind of surgical malady, except head injuries, but as soon as I made trial for myself of the effect of withdrawing alcohol, I found how entirely overrated its value was and how gravely mistaken had been the teaching. It is commonly held, I believe, that alcoholic liquors are of especial value in all forms of septic inflammation, such as erysipelas, pyæmia, septicæmia and hectic fever. I believe that this notion is founded solely upon tradition, unsupported by any trustworthy evidence and untested by experiment or experience."

English and German physicians appear to be more outspoken against the medical use of alcoholic liquors than are American physicians, yet an increasing number of the latter make little or no use of these liquors in their practice. I hope during the year to publish a small pamphlet giving the views of American physicians so far as I have been able to gather them.

A new leaflet is Special Medical Directions for Women, and another is A Life's Tragedy, the story which won the prize given in June, 1903. These sell at 2 cents each, or 75 cents per hundred.

Hoping for a grand report from Indiana this year, I am,
 27 Broad st., Oneida, N. Y.
 MARTHA M. ALLEN.

"Alcohol is, next to heredity, the most common single cause of insanity."—Arthur W. Dunning, M. D.

Mrs. Martha M. Allen, Nat. Supt. Non-Alcoholics,
 27 Broad Street, Oneida, N. Y.

DEAR MADAM—I have received your circular letter without date, and its interesting enclosures. First, let me thank you as physician and man for your admirable pamphlet on "The Danger and Harmfulness of Patent Medicines." Its restrained tone and its array of exact fact differentiate it sharply from the bulk of so called "temperance" literature—indeed, from "reform" literature in general. Intemperance in language and inexactitude in statement do much to neutralize the good in polemic publications—you have happily avoided both. I wish your pamphlet could reach the conscience of the newspapers, especially the religious journals, the greatest of all sinners in spreading the use of "Peruna" and similar deadly concoctions. I enclose seventy-five cents for one hundred copies.

DR. S. SOLIS COHEN,
 Philadelphia.

Ah! little, too little, in order to exercise proper forbearance and charity, does the ordinary temperance reformer know of the agony which seizes the drunkard when the old desire for drink comes back. Woolley describes it as can the man only who knows. He says: "I shall never drink again; but one night, in a New England train and very ill, I met a stranger who pitied me and gave me a quick, powerful drug out of a small vial and my pain was gone in a moment or two; but alcohol was licking up my very blood with tongues of flame! I should have gotten drunk that very night if I could. I thought of everything—of my two years of clean life, of the meeting I was going to, vouched for by my friend and brother, D. L. Moody, whose faith in me had gone out into all the world; of the bright little home in New York, and of Mary and the boys.

"I tried to pray, and my lips framed oaths. I reached up for God, but He was gone, and the fiercest fiend of hell had me by the throat and shouted, 'Drink! drink! drink!' I said, 'But Mary, but the boys.' It said, 'To hell with Mary! Come on to the saloon.' It was not yet daylight, Sunday morning, when I stood on the station platform at Pawtucket alone. I flew from saloon to saloon; they were shut; so were the drug stores; and all that day, locked in my room at the hotel, I fought my fight, and won it in the evening by the grace of God, and the people never knew that the man who spoke to them that night had been in hell all day."

Was the drink habit dead in that Christian disciple, and should he have been treated as a reprobate if he had found an open saloon that day and gratified his appetite again?—Copied.

TAKEN FROM THE STATE MINUTES.

Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, State Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication, appeared before the State Executive Committee and presented a proposition from the National Superintendent of this Department, by which enough literature would be furnished free, by her, to supply every physician in Indiana with three valuable leaflets on Non-Alcoholic Medication, if the W. C. T. U. would send them out. Mrs. Whitson offered to secure the list of names, write the wrappers and mail them out if the counties and Unions would furnish the postage. This proposition was at once accepted by a unanimous vote and the counties and Unions urged to send the required postage at once when notified of the amount necessary. Mrs. Whitson reported 6,000 physicians in the State.

[The amount of money necessary for each county to send will be made known at an early date. When notified, please respond at once, as I cannot send them out until money for postage has been received. These leaflets are very valuable and no county or Union can afford to miss this great opportunity.—AMANDA T. WHITSON.]

A PRIZE BANNER,

Of beautiful heavy white silk, trimmed in gold letters and fringe, will be given to the State reporting the largest number of local Unions using the department book, "Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine," spending ten minutes at each meeting in reading from the book and discussion of same, and distributing the most literature of the department. Award will be made proportionately to the entire number of Unions in a State. Pages of books or magazines must not be counted, but non-alcoholic State papers may be counted.

To the local Superintendent sending the best all-round report will be given a three dollar package of department leaflets.
 MARTHA M. ALLEN,
 National Supt. Non-Alcoholic Medication.

"I have practiced medicine continuously more than sixty six years; the first twelve in New York, the last fifty-four in Chicago. It took me the first ten years to learn the real nature of alcohol and its delusional effects in the treatment of diseases, and during the last fifty-four years spent in Chicago I have not found it necessary or beneficial to prescribe for my patients any alcohol or alcoholic liquors, either fermented or distilled. During the past half century I have been actively engaged in the treatment of every variety of disease that has prevailed in the city, whether epidemic, endemic or sporadic, and if any bad effects have followed my refusal to allow my patients alcohol or any kind of alcoholic liquors, the people have been very slow in detecting the same."—N. S. Davis, M. D., L. L. D.

MAGAZINES ADVERTISING LIQUOR.

The startling conquest of the popular magazine by the liquor advertiser has been the subject of a careful investigation, reported in the Friends' Intelligencer, Nov. 7, as follows:

A sub-committee of the Committee on Philanthropic Labor, of Baltimore Yearly Meeting of Friends, made the following report:

"Thirty-four publications were examined. Of these, thirteen contained no advertisements to which any exception could be taken. They are: Country Life in America, Youths' Companion, Book News, the Chautauqua, the Bookman, St. Nicholas, the Century, the Critic, the Outlook, Ladies' Home Journal, Saturday Evening Post, the Independent and the Country Gentleman. To all of these letters were written stating the purpose of the investigation, and replies were received from all of them except Book News, stating it is their fixed policy to exclude all advertisements of intoxicating liquors or other articles and schemes of doubtful propriety.

"Six other magazines contain no advertisements of intoxicating liquors, and four of them write that it is their fixed policy to exclude all such. These four, the American Monthly Review of Reviews, the American Agriculturist, the Cosmopolitan and McClure's, contain advertisements of tonics which have a considerable percentage of alcohol. The American Agriculturist contains also a considerable number of medical advertisements. The others are, Everybody's Magazine and Harper's Bazar; these also contain advertisements of tonics, and the Cosmopolitan has a great number of medical advertisements.

"The following fifteen periodicals contain liquor and some of them, other objectionable advertisements. The liquor advertisements refer to beer, whisky or champagne: The World's Work, Current Literature, Life, Leslie's Weekly, Harper's Weekly, Harper's Monthly, North American Review, the National Magazine, New England Magazine, Outing, Munsey, Scribner's, Leslie's Popular Monthly, Lippincott's and the Atlantic Monthly. All of these magazines have many admirable features and they go into many homes."

To those publications mentioned that contain objectionable advertisements the following letter was directed to be sent in the name of the Yearly Meeting:

"The Religious Society of Friends has always felt a deep concern for the sobriety, purity and honesty of our people, and desires earnestly that these principles may be extended. We realize the widespread influence exerted by the (name of journal) with its many admirable qualities, and it is with regret, that we find advertisements of intoxicating liquors, proprietary medicines and doubtful financial enterprises published in your pages.

"We are informed by a number of publishers of popular magazines that it is their policy to reject such advertisements, and it is our hope, in thus appealing to you, that yours may be added to the list of journals whose managers are careful that such great influence may always be exerted on the side of righteousness. We would highly appreciate such action on your part and would be grateful for a reply.

"Signed on behalf of Baltimore Yearly Meeting of Friends,
 CLERK."

Is it merely a matter of business to insert a whisky advertisement in a paper? Is it not a matter of morals? Should Christians put the temptation to secure this liquor in the hands of their family through their party paper? Business has a moral side as well as a financial one.—Patriot, Parsons, W. Va.

What one church has done, other churches and W. C. T. Unions can do, and great would be the result.
 STATE SUPERINTENDENT.

There is no department in our State or National Unions more needed than that of Non-Alcoholic Medication. If it could be universally taken up and practically worked in every local Union, we should have our best year, even if we took up no other work for a year. On our way to a convention a little while ago one of our local workers pointed to a beautiful home, saying, "The lady who lives there lived with me for years. She was a most unhappy and hard working girl because her father and other relatives were drinking men. She is a good woman, but with all she has suffered and all her friends have said against the practice, she keeps her whisky bottle in the cupboard and doses her children with it every time any little thing gets the matter with them. If any of the neighbors become suddenly sick, she goes running to them with her whisky flask under her shawl. She doesn't seem to see the danger there is in it." Why doesn't she see? Why do not scores and hundreds of others see? This department will answer these questions and many others that the future good of humanity depends upon. I think that within the past few years this topic of Non-Alcoholic Medication has been more discussed, and more enthusiastically discussed, than any other presented in over 40 Institutes which I have attended. Our people, through personal work, the press and platform, are certainly waking up to the question as an issue.

ALICE RUTH PALMER,
 State Treasurer and State Organizer.

The banishment of alcohol would not deprive us of a single one of the indispensable agents which modern civilization demands, and neither would chemical science be retarded by its loss.—Dr. James R. Nichols, editor Boston Journal of Chemistry.



DEAR CO-WORKERS—With great appreciation for the favors and kindness shown me during the past, for the promptness of so many in sending reports and for the great and increasing interest manifested throughout the State, through your efforts in this department and with a feeling that as your own interest has so greatly increased also, you are ever more willing and anxious to help push the work the coming year than during the past. I am greatly encouraged to present to you through this issue both the State and National plan of work. Hundreds and may I say thousands need only to have their attention called to the fact, from authority, that alcohol is a dangerous thing and not needed in medicine at all to be convinced. A good leaflet placed in the home now and then will convince them. So this year I will ask you to plan a literature campaign. Place a different leaflet at three different times in the home of every one in your community, village, town or ward, ring the bell and hand it in at the door. The time you pass around, carry with you a pledge card, a donation card and the leaflet "Why I am a White Ribboner." Call later for your donation card. The result will be many new members, much information imparted and many dollars added to your treasury. The National Superintendent has offered a prize, see elsewhere in this issue, which I believe Indiana can and will be pleased to win.

One afternoon's meeting for women only with a paper and a free discussion on the subject, "Alcohol and Nursing Mother" and an evening meeting for men and women both on the subject, "Patent Medicines. Shall we use them? Why not?" will result in a great deal of interest being aroused on the subject. Try it and report.

Discuss all papers as they are being read. Results will be far better. To every one who takes part in a discussion the work, in a measure, becomes their very own, and the writer is made to feel you appreciate her efforts in preparing the paper.

If your Union has no Superintendent and none can be found willing to take this department, may I not kindly ask the local President to take up the work and report to your County Superintendent, if you have an active one, or to your State Superintendent?

Elizabeth Stanley, State Vice-President, made this subject prominent in fifty of her lectures. The work was presented in nearly every Institute held.

Nearly fifteen hundred extra copies of the non-alcoholic issue of the MESSAGE was sent out to as many physicians, teachers and prohibitionists.

Dr. Homer J. Hall has been very active in pushing this department, both in lecturing and in special work in State medical associations, of which he is an active, enthusiastic, honored and influential member. He has given valuable assistance to your State Superintendent.

Unions report physicians using less and less alcoholic medicines. Many of the more progressive ones using none at all.

Hundreds, yes, thousands, of people are using patent medicines and do not know they contain a large per cent of alcohol, and do not know of the danger of using the same.

To those who so freely and generously gave of their means to help in the non-alcoholic issue of the MESSAGE last year I want again to say I thank you most heartily. If, during the past year, the Lord has prospered you, and you feel you can spare some of your income this year to help push this very important work, rest assured it will be greatly appreciated.

Every one of us who reads this paper has a special work in this line, be it ever so little or much. Light has been given us, and God will one day ask an accounting for even this little. If we do our part God will take care of the rest. MRS. A. T. WHITSON.

Prof. Baron Liebig, a German chemist of great renown, says: "We can prove with mathematical certainty that as much flour or meal as would lie on the point of a table knife is more nutritious than five measures (ten quarts) of the best Bavarian beer." And yet it is freely prescribed, by many physicians, as a nutriment for nursing mothers, thus early in the life of the child sowing seeds of drunkenness. The weakest wines contain from three to five per cent alcohol and are unsafe.

SUMMARY OF ANNUAL REPORT.

Pages of literature distributed, 45,760; money expended by the Unions, \$21.80; meetings devoted entirely to this subject, 38; meetings devoted to it a part of the time, 63; mothers' meetings, 46; public addresses, 18; original papers read before the Unions, 56; before the public, 27; debates, 1; articles in the press, 28; number of reports received, 65.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation from State.....	\$5.00
" " County.....	1.00
Sale of book—"Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine".....	2.50
Sale of literature.....	3.00
Donations for Non-Alcoholic issue of MESSAGE.....	38.03
Furnished from personal funds by State Superintendent.....	44.07
Total.....	\$93.60

DISBURSEMENTS.

Part on printing non-alcoholic issue and extra copies of same.....	\$35.20
Stamps.....	33.50
Literature and printing leaflets.....	9.00
Stationery.....	7.50
Postal cards.....	4.00
Car fare.....	3.95
Wrappers for MESSAGE.....	.45
Total.....	\$93.60

Cordially yours,

AMANDA T. WHITSON,
State Superintendent.

It is a fact, now-a-days disputed by nobody, that a certain relation exists between tuberculosis and alcoholism. 1. Alcohol, in its action as a predisposing agent, stands in the same relation to tuberculosis as to other contagious diseases. But the problem is here of greater importance, as tuberculosis is the disease that has the greatest predisposition for the human body and demands the greatest number of victims. 2. Alcohol makes a person more disposed for tuberculosis by its paralyzing and smothering effects on the protoplasm of the cells, making their power of resistance against the bacteria less. It prepares the soil for the tuberculosis by destroying all the works of defense of the organism, especially by affecting the nervous system, for which it is a powerful poison. It also produces organic troubles in the organ of nutrition and their works. 3. By producing innate weakness it makes a person predisposed for tuberculosis from its birth. 4. At last alcohol makes disease worse by continued influence on the already infected organism, thus hastening the development of the infection. It prevents the cure of the disease, which is generally possible; annihilates alcoholism and thus terminate the cause of tuberculosis. To triumph over alcohol is almost as to triumph over tuberculosis. Co-operation with the work against alcohol can do more against the tuberculosis than the sanitoriums.—From paper by Dr. Legiam of Paris at the Anti Alcohol Congress in Bremen, April, 1903.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, State Vice-President, has been engaged for a week's work in Marion County on the subject of "Non-Alcoholic Medication," beginning January 17, 1904. Mrs. Stanley has recently prepared a special lecture on this subject. It will be as captivating as her other lectures have been on other subjects. Write her for terms and dates. Her address is Richmond, Rural Route.

The Frances E. Willard National Temperance Hospital of Chicago has never used alcohol in any form as a medicine, nor as an outward application. The per cent death rate from this hospital has been far below that of hospitals using alcohol. All donations of money for the hospital should be sent to Mrs. E. B. Cook, Treasurer, 316 Washington Boulevard, Chicago, Ill.

Dr. Homer J. Hall, of Franklin, Ind., has kindly consented to give some time in the lecture field, speaking on the subject of "Non-Alcoholic Medication." Dr. Hall has not used alcohol in medicines for many years and speaks from experience. He has been especially successful in his treatment of typhoid and pneumonia patients. The Doctor can give only a limited number of dates. Unions wishing to engage a speaker on this subject will make no mistake in engaging Dr. Hall. He presents the subject in an interesting and fascinating manner. Write him for terms and dates.

The December Meeting of the Indianapolis Mapleton Union was held at the home of its President, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, December 16th. Notwithstanding it was near the holiday season, her parlor was filled with ladies. Dr. Rachel Swain, of the Swain Sanitarium, Woodruff Place, read a very interesting paper on the subject of "Health and the Non-Use of Alcohol in Medicines." The paper was a very interesting and valuable one, which was shown by the intensely interested ladies discussing the paper as she read it and the continuation of the discussion during the social hour which followed and during which light refreshments were served. Special musical numbers were given by Mrs. Williams, a professor of music, Misses Overman and Astley, of the Indianapolis Conservatory of Music, by Miss Carr and Mrs. Josie Jones.

At a reception given by Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, State Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication, to local Presidents and Superintendents of this department, three plans were adopted. First, to secure Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley for a week's work in the county in January, two lectures to be given daily on the subject of non-alcoholic medication. Second, the distribution of leaflets, written by Martha M. Allen and Dr. Max Kassawitz, from house to house. Third, to plan

one regular meeting and one evening meeting on this subject, during the year, in each Union, at which a special effort will be made to interest men and boys. Mrs. Whitson served refreshments and gave much valuable information.

MRS. SMITH,
County Pres., Supt.

Indianapolis Mapleton Union held an evening meeting at the home of Mrs. Kate B. Carr. An interesting paper on the Temperance Hospital was read by Mrs. Carrie Handy. A statistical talk was given by Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson on Non-Alcoholic Medication. As these papers were being read they were discussed and questions were asked and answered; this way proving to be the best we have ever found to interest the indifferent ones on these subjects. We invite our neighbors to come and in this informal way of bringing the subject before them, they are soon found asking questions and even living more temperate from the knowledge received. At this meeting, a neighbor and wife came in and were made to think as never before on this great theme, Non-Alcoholic Medication. In a day or two this man was taken ill and his mother-in-law said to her daughter, "go to the drug store and get some whisky; we must get him warm; he is having a chill." The daughter answered, "no, mother, we were at a meeting where we learned that those things break down instead of building up and I am going to try hot water and hot applications." She did, and soon he was better. Thus we are sowing the seed that we trust will bring forth a great harvest. We believe to make any department a success, it must be pushed and a more faithful worker is not on the field than the one in our Union in this department. MRS. K. CARR.

HOW TO CONVERT DOCTORS TO NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION.

The true physician desires, above all things in his profession, to cure his patient. The doctor also takes pleasure in pleasing his patients and their friends. Convince a doctor that his patients do better, that is recovers more certainly and more rapidly, by the use of alcohol and he will prescribe it. And convince him that his patients will recover more rapidly and more certainly without the use of alcohol and he will cease prescribing it. Notice, we said, convince a doctor, but remember a doctor is a hard man to convince. Especially is this true as to the drugs that aid in curing or hinders the curing of a patient. A good auntie will come into a home where there is a person sick and will recommend a certain remedy that she is certain



cured her own neighbor's child that had the same disease. Her positive assertions and manner convince the family that is the remedy to be given.

But the intelligent physician would require more proof than convinced the good aunt.

He would ask if it was really the same disease, and ask proof of it. He would ask if that certain remedy cured the patient, or was it some other part of the treatment that gave the relief. He would inquire if the conditions of the two were alike or not. He would inquire if the recuperative powers of nature did not have more to do with the recovery of the patient than the lauded remedy of the good aunt.

And a score of other vital questions might be asked by the careful physician before he would consider the remedy favorably. And then he would desire to test its efficacy on more than a score of patients in a similar condition before he would consider it a reliable remedy. This is what it takes to convince a doctor of the reliability especially of a new remedy. We have given this illustration to show the reader more clearly that a doctor is a hard man or woman to convince. That is, he is not likely to make a change in his practice by taking up new remedies or ceasing the use of the old ones, without the highest authority or his own proof.

The medical profession is the guardian and promotor of that which is most dear to the larger portion of humanity, namely, human life, and be assured the members of this sacrificing profession are never so happy as when they have discovered a surer remedy of restoring and maintaining the health of the people.

Convince the medical profession that the use of alcohol is injurious in the treatment of the sick and the injured and they will cease its use. When? Not soon, but in due time.

To convince you that a plan of treating disease need not necessarily remain because it is hoary with age, we need only to refer to blood letting that prevailed in the treatment of most diseases, both in Europe and America, for more than a hundred years. But its twin brother, namely, the use of alcohol in the general treatment of diseases, remains, with three-fourths of our physicians, to this day.

Will the one-fourth win the three-fourths of the medical profession over to their way of thinking? Yes, if the one-fourth are right. For, in an investigating science like the practice of medicine, truth will always win. But demonstrated truth requires plenty of time for a thorough demonstration.

There is scarcely anything that convinces a doctor like a testing that he makes himself. So the most important plan is, to get the doctors to investigate—that is, to prove to their own satisfaction whether alcohol is a helpful or harmful remedy in the treatment of disease. To accomplish this, the white ribbon women, as a class, are better equipped to succeed than any one else. These ladies know more about non-alcohol medication than any other class of men or women, save the few doctors who have tried it. The four thousand W. C. T. U. women of Indiana and the three hundred thousand in the nation, would have a wonderful influence in enlightening our good doctors if they will but try. These ladies all have their family physician, and a request of him not to prescribe alcohol or any of its preparations to members of their family will have a very salutary influence to set the doctor to thinking, and likely to investigating. But no white ribbon woman should make this request unless she can give an intelligent reason for the request. For the doctor will be almost certain to ask her some questions. She needs to be well posted. For if she answers him intelligently, there is victory ahead. But if not, the doctor will consider the request a foolish woman's notion, without any reason to it.

If our temperance women who wish to see the doctors cease prescribing alcohol (and are willing to begin first with their own family physician), will only secure the non-alcoholic leaflets from Mrs. A. T. Whitson of Indianapolis, Ind. (3335 North Meridian street), or the National Superintendent, Mrs. Martha M. Allen, Oneida, N. Y. (27 Wood street), they can be well prepared to present the subject to an intelligent physician. The person who wishes to be the best equipped possible on this subject needs to secure the book entitled, "Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine." By Mrs. M. M. Allen. This valuable book can be secured from either the State or National Superintendents named above. We know of no more certain way to convert doctors to non-alcoholic medication than a careful reading of this well written scientific volume. It quotes the highest medical authority. Gives hospital reports and shows plans of investigation that are convincing to the highest degree. When the doctor reads authority like this and then investigates for himself, he will arrive at the truth, and truth is mighty and will prevail.

HOMER J. HALL, M. D.

THE EFFECTS OF ALCOHOL ON THE FIVE SENSES.

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Recently a new field has been opened for a study of the symptoms following the use of alcohol. The external phenomena of the functional and mental activities of the body can now be measured and tabulated with exactness unknown before. It is assumed that, if the current beliefs and theories are true concerning the tonic and stimulant action of alcohol on the organisms, it is possible to prove it by the more perfect instruments of precision. Also that theories and variable experience held so tenaciously by many persons can be tested by something more than experience, logic and intuition. The action of alcohol taken in the body can now be traced by a study of the functional activity of the senses, the movements of the heart, the muscular activity, mental vigor, temperature of the body and other conditions with a degree of accuracy unknown before. From this point of view a number of observers have taken up this problem and pointed out conditions clearly traceable to the action of alcohol about which there can be no question.

Professor Kraepelin, of Heidelberg, has for a long time made experimental studies with instruments of precision on the external phenomena of the body which were due to the action of alcohol. These studies have been going on for years and recently the conclusions of some two thousand of these experiments have been published. Other observers during the last two years have repeated these experiments with newer instruments of precision, verifying Kraepelin's studies and adding some new facts to the subject. I have made many of these experiments personally, and in common with other observers, have been astonished that such work has not been done before. The uniformity of the conclusions indicate a range of facts that very largely explain many of the symptoms following the use of alcohol. In these experiments, only healthy, temperate persons are available. In Kraepelin's work they were generally university students and a few laborers whose lives were temperate and whose occupation and living were uniform. Each person was examined at a certain time every day to determine the sight, hearing, taste, smell, muscular activity, heart's action, temperature, point of muscular fatigue, memory, time reaction and thought rapidity. These examinations were made daily for a period of ten or more days. The results were tabulated and the average of these examinations was

put down as the normal equation of the man. Sometimes the experiments were carried on for a much longer period. The normal condition having been ascertained in this way, the person was given at a certain hour in the day midway between meals or after the time of eating, an ounce of ethylic spirits. Thirty minutes after very careful examinations were made of the senses and other conditions and these examinations were repeated every forty minutes for a period of two or three hours. The second day after, a similar quantity of alcohol was given, followed by the same measurements and tabulation of all the symptoms following. This was continued every day or every second day, according to the susceptibility of the person, until ten or more examinations were made, the person in the meantime living with great regularity, both in exercise, diet and sleep. At intervals of four or five weeks and some times two months, the subject was experimented on again. The results of these experiments on a large number of persons extending over several months indicated the following general conclusions:

THE ACTION OF ALCOHOL ON THE SIGHT.

If the normal vision of a healthy man will enable him to read letters a half an inch long thirty feet away, from thirty to sixty minutes after the use of an ounce of spirits these letters cannot be seen at that distance and must be brought up to within eighteen or twenty-five feet to be seen. The sight has diminished to the extent of from ten to twelve feet. The color sense was also disturbed. Colors that could be distinguished were obscured or lost altogether. The red lines had faded away and were totally obliterated. Forms and shapes were blurred and indistinct, except when seen very near. The expression of the eye was changed. Clinically, this palsy of vision so apparent in intoxicated persons, seen in the prolonged staring and efforts to concentrate the sight, is a very common symptom. This is confirmed in the experience of persons engaged in work requiring precision of vision, also in painters and photographers, who soon realize that the use of spirits seriously disturbs the accuracy of their work and hence never drink in business hours.

EFFECT ON HEARING.

The sense of hearing was markedly diminished. In health, were the sound of a watch could be heard clearly at thirty or forty inches from the ear, this distance was lessened in half an hour or more after spirits had been used. The watch must be moved to ten or fifteen inches from the ear to be heard. Thus the sense of hearing was diminished from a third to a half. Certain sounds could not be distinguished. Certain tones were confused or lost altogether. Musical sounds were greatly disturbed and confused. Extreme states of these palsies are commonly seen in the intoxicated man, whose voice is always several keys higher than natural, simply because he is deaf and cannot hear his own voice except by speaking in a higher key. Even the moderate drinker shows a failure of hearing in the changed tone of voice.

EFFECT ON TOUCH.

The sense of touch was also found diminished. The capacity to distinguish between heat and cold was impaired. Bulbs of iced and hot water which could be distinguished normally at a distance of an inch, after the use of spirits must be separated two or more inches to be recognized. Rough and smooth surfaces were equally confused. The distance at which they could be discriminated normally was enlarged by half or more. In some instances, hyperesthetic states of the skin appeared in the first half hour after the use of spirits, then anesthesia came on, remaining one or two hours before passing away. The first effect of spirits, giving an impression of warmth over the surface, was followed by a sensation of cold which remained a long time. The surface sensation of the body was found to be deranged a much longer time than that of sight or hearing.

EFFECT ON TASTE.

The sensation of taste was changed. Mixtures containing so many drops of bitters, salts or acids, which could be detected in health, after the use of spirits were not recognized. The quantity of flavoring substance used was increased from a third to a half more before it could be recognized. Tea-tasters and experts who depend on their ability to discriminate flavors find from practical experience that this sense is greatly disturbed and obscured by the use of spirits. The power to discriminate odors was equally disturbed, both as to quality and distance. Carbolic acid, which was readily discerned in health, was unrecognized at a short distance and only faintly perceived when brought up closely. Both the sense of taste and smell were profoundly depressed from the effects of an ounce of alcohol, this depression only passing away some hours after. —T. D. Crothers, M. D., Superintendent Walnut Lodge Hospital, Hartford, Conn.

The main differences in the different alcoholic drinks is in the amount of alcohol which they contain. Thus brandy, whisky, gin and rums are from two-fifths to three-fifths alcohol; wine one-tenth to one-fifth; cider one-twentieth to one-tenth; beer and ale one twenty-fifth to one-sixteenth. Alcohol is formed within a few hours after cider is pressed. What is now called sweet cider contains a considerable amount of alcohol. Bitters. Many persons are unsuspectingly led into habits of intemperance by the use of various patent medicines advertised as "bitters," "tonics," etc. Few of any of these mixtures are free from alcohol. Some that are said to be free from alcohol, and on that account are called temperance bitters, actually contain more alcohol than some which make no such claim. Some of the most popular of these nostrums contain as much alcohol as the strongest liquors. "Jamaica ginger" contains so much alcohol that it will burn in a spirit lamp. The

habitual use of these compounds is quite as harmful as the use of alcohol in any other form, and sometimes even more injurious on account of the presence of other harmful drugs. The use of alcohol in cookery is one way in which the appetite for alcohol is cultivated. Sauces, jellies, preserves and similar preparations, when they contain brandy, wine, or other alcoholic liquors, have a most pernicious influence and often lay the foundation for a life of intemperance. Candies and confections frequently contain alcohol in the form of wine or brandy. The use of such candies may readily produce an appetite for alcohol in other and stronger forms. Children have been found partially intoxicated as the result of eating freely of such candies. The only safe rule for a person who desires to lead a temperate life is to avoid everything which contains alcohol in any form. Any other course is most unsafe; for the alcohol habit is often formed unconsciously, and is only recognized when it has become fully developed, and has obtained the complete mastery.

DR. KELLOGG,
Battle Creek Sanitarium.

PERCENTAGE OF ALCOHOL IN THE FOLLOWING PATENT MEDICINES.

Green's Nurvura, 17.2; Schenk's Sea-weed tonic, 19.5; Brown's Iron Bitters 19.7; Kaufman's Sulphur Bitters, 20.5; Paine's Celery Compound, 21.0; Burdock's Blood Bitters, 25.2; Warner's Safe Tonic Bitters, 35.7; Parker's Tonic, 41.6; Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, 44.8; Dr. Buckland's Scotch Oats Essence, 35.0; Hoodland's German Bitters, 25.6; Walker's Vinegar Bitters, 6.1; Copp's White Mountain Bitters, .06.0; Corbett's Shaker Sarsaparilla, 8.8; Brown's Sarsaparilla, 13.5; Dana's Sarsaparilla, 13.5; Allen's Sarsaparilla, 13.5; Hood's Sarsaparilla, 18.8; Thayer's Sarsaparilla, 21.5; Ayer's Sarsaparilla, 26.2; Jamaica Ginger, 90.0; Peruna, 23.46; Vinol, 15.33; Swamp Root, 5.87; Lydia Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, 16.77.

"Alcoholism produces the most varied and fatal diseases of the stomach and liver, paralysis, dropsy and madness. It is one of the most frequent causes of tuberculosis. It aggravates and enhances all acute diseases, typhus, pneumonia, erysipelas. These diseases only attack a sober man in a mild degree, while they quickly do away with the man who drinks alcohol."—[Taken from the governmental document which has, within the past year, been ordered posted all over France and signed by the highest authority of diseases in France.]

Dr. Kellogg says: Alcohol has not been used in the Battle Creek Sanitarium for thirty-seven years. In former years alcohol was occasionally employed as a means of generating heat in vapor baths and was sometimes used in evaporating lotion on the skin; but these were exceptional cases and the alcohol thus used could not exert to any degree at all its specific influence.

SUPT. BATTLE CREEK SANITARIUM,
Battle Creek, Mich.

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EVANGELISTIC SUPERINTENDENTS AND ASSOCIATE EVANGELISTS.

I regretted very much that I did not get to see you at the State Convention, but circumstances beyond my control hindered me from going. I have been informed of my continuance at the head of the Evangelistic Department, and I greatly desire that more efficient work may be done this year than ever before. At the National Convention the Board of Evangelists decided upon holding two-day evangelistic conferences wherever it was possible to arrange for them. I have earnestly advocated this during the few years I have been your Superintendent, but as yet have not been able to arrange for them. I am very desirous of your co-operation in this department of our work. I know that it is difficult during the winter, when the ministers are engaged in special services, to arrange for these conferences, and I really think we can do more good by falling into line with them and doing what we can to assist them, and then, later on, they will be more likely to co-operate with us. Watch your opportunity and be quick to seize it, and if I can assist you in any way in the management or carrying out of the program I will gladly serve you. I will be engaged in evangelistic services during January and part of February (no preventing providence), but after that I can answer your calls.

I will only ask for two reports during the year—March and September. This will save postage, and I think will as effectually gather up the reports. If the County Superintendents prefer to send out blank quarterly I am perfectly willing, and will send the blanks upon application. Please send me the names of your County and Local Superintendents as soon as possible. Promptly inform me of any changes in County or Local Superintendents. I earnestly request you to keep a faithful record of your work.

I will gratefully receive any suggestions from my co-workers that will make our department more efficient. I am very sure that we are not making as much of it as we should. Let us be more faithful in the distribution of literature (religious and temperance), visiting the sick, comforting the sorrowing, holding cottage prayer meetings, and in all the various lines of work connected with our department.

I did not receive as many reports this year as last. I cannot account for this, unless the County Superintendents were derelict in their duty. You understand the plan is to work through the County Superintendents where there are any, and where there are not for the Local Superintendents to send direct to the State. Will the County Superintendents do all in their power to assist and encourage the Local Superintendents?

I will be glad to be helpful in any way I can to each one of you, and trust I shall have your faithful co-operation. I would suggest the plan of one week's revival services carried out by the Bath Union in Franklin County. The President of the Union engaged me for a week's meeting. She wrote to her pastor asking him to attend and assist in the meeting. He replied that he had set that time for a revival meeting, and he would be glad to have me work with him. The W. C. T. U. paid me for the first week's services; at the end of the week the pastor and church members requested me to remain for another week, they assuming the expense. The result of the meeting was very helpful all around. The W. C. T. U. and the church were brought into closer fellowship, souls saved, members added to the church and Union, and a fresh baptism for more effectual service. I would like to see our associate evangelists all in the field, and would ask that the County and Local Superintendents arrange for at least a week's revival services, and when possible obtain the services of our evangelists.

My heart says, "God bless you, one and all, and make you all a blessing." With best wishes for a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, I am faithfully and lovingly your sister and co-worker,

ELIZABETH M. HAUGHTON.

NATIONAL LEGISLATION.

The following two bills, prepared by the National Temperance Society, have, at the request of the society, been introduced in Congress:

"The first is a bill 'providing that the Federal Government shall not grant liquor tax receipts to persons residing in prohibition territory, State or local.' It was introduced in the Senate by Senator Gallinger, November 20, 1903, and referred to the Judiciary Committee. It is known as Senate bill 1526.

The New York *Sun*, the Washington *Post*, the Boston *Herald* and other leading papers of the country have editorially endorsed it.

The following is the bill:

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that no collector of internal revenue shall receive any special tax from, nor issue any special tax receipt to any wholesale liquor dealer, retail liquor dealer in malt liquors, or retail dealer in malt liquors, unless such dealer shall at time of making his application to pay such special tax exhibit to such collector a license or permit, issued in accordance with the laws of the State or Territory in which such trade or business is to be carried on, authorizing him to sell distilled spirits, wines or malt liquors, as the case may be, at the place where such trade or business is to be carried on; and such dealer shall register with the collector the date of such license or permit, the period for which it may have been issued, and the authority issuing the same, which

facts such collector shall state on the alphabetical list provided for in Section 3240 of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

The second bill is one calling for a Commission of Inquiry as to the traffic in alcoholic liquors.

Away back in 1873, at the request of the National Temperance Society, a bill of this nature was introduced in the United States Senate by Senator Henry Wilson, of Massachusetts.

Since then it has been introduced in every Congress. Again and again the bill has been passed in the Senate, but has failed to be acted upon by the House.

The bill is as follows;

"That there shall be appointed by the President, by and with the consent of the Senate, a Commission of Inquiry, of five or more competent persons, whose duty it shall be, first, to inquire and take testimony as to the results of the traffic in alcoholic liquors in connection with crime, pauperism, the public health, the moral, social and intellectual well-being of the people; second, concerning license and prohibitory legislation in the several States of the Union; and, third, to recommend what additional legislation, if any, would be beneficial on the part of Congress to suppress in the sphere of National authority the traffic of alcoholic liquors as beverages."

The National Temperance Society earnestly invokes the co-operation of all temperance organizations, ministers and churches to secure the passage by Congress of these bills, and suggests that letters and petitions be at once forwarded to members of the House and the Senate.

Copies of petitions may be had of the National Temperance Society, 3 East Fourteenth street, New York City.

FROM OUR EXCHANGES.

Milton thought it improper for women to learn Greek and Latin.

No less than eight women have seats on the London board of education.

Two hundred years ago no one thought of a girl playing the piano—only men played.

The W. C. T. U. of Milwaukee, Wis., has begun a crusade against immorality in the schools in that city.

"We cannot expect the conditions of our country to be better and purer until our lawmakers are better and purer."

"The saloon would kill the church if it could, and the church could kill the saloon if it would."—Samuel Dickie.

The *New Voice* gave the Cincinnati convention a splendid notice. The W. C. T. U. and prohibition are inseparable.

We stand for an equal code of morals for women and men and emphatically condemn every system for the regulation of vice.

Mrs. Lucy Blanchard, of Los Angeles, is the President of the largest W. C. T. U. in the United States, 631 paid up members.

Mary Wollstonecroft had to argue personally with her friends, who thought it unwomanly and improper for girls to study botany.

Mrs. Ada Unruh, of Oregon, National Organizer, traveled more than 17,000 miles last year and worked in fifteen States, speaking in many schools and colleges.

The legislator who will vote to fasten the saloon system on the necks of an unwilling people should be preserved in his own alcohol and used as a sign in a saloon window.

Mrs. Stevens, National President, and Miss Anna Gordon, National Vice-President, attended the Kansas State convention, to the great satisfaction of everyone present.

Bertha W. Burnham, of Oldtown, Me., has been commissioned by Governor Hill as a notary public, "to acknowledge deeds, administer oaths and solemnize marriages."

There was a time in the history of Boston libraries when women were not allowed to take books from the library. Now, more books are taken out by women than by men.

Nothing is gained by hating the saloonkeeper. He must be educated out of the business. There is something better in life for him to do. He simply got started wrong—got into the wrong groove.

In the largest library in Oxford, England, has hung from time immemorial this notice: "Women and dogs not allowed here." It is allowed to hang still, to show the changes in the status of woman.

The Red Cross Hospital, New York, has demonstrated that alcohol is unnecessary as a medicine, none whatever being used there. William T. Wardwell, in view of this fact, has donated this institution a building site valued at \$125,000.

In Jane Austin's day it was considered very unsexing, degrading and unwomanly for a woman to write novels. Miss Austin always kept a large piece of sewing on hand with which to conceal her manuscript in case a conservative visitor should come in.

Mrs. Harriet E. Bean has been nominated on the Public School Association ticket for the Boston School Committee. She has been a resident of Dorchester for twenty-five years and she has been prominent in the work of the Dorchester Woman's Club since its organization.

Mrs. L. E. Bailey, of New York, National Organizer, spent the most of the year in Florida and Ohio. She secured over 1,000 active members, 200 honoraries, organized 31 unions and took 100 subscriptions to the *Union Signal*. For this year she pledges to secure another 1,000 members and 2,000 subscriptions to the *Union Signal*.

The opening session of the Twentieth Century Club of Detroit was made a memorial to the honorary President of the Club Mrs. Lucinda Hinsdale Stone, widely known as the mother of women's clubs in Michigan. Mrs. Stone, in addition to her pioneer work for schools, churches and libraries, did more than any other person to open the doors of the State University to women, and herself coached the first girl who entered. The Twentieth Century and other clubs throughout the State have contributed generously towards a scholarship fund in the University of Michigan as a permanent memorial of Mrs. Stone.

Mrs. Callie H. Howe, of Missouri, was a field 8 months last year, the time being spent in Vermont, New Hampshire, Mississippi, Louisiana, North Dakota and her own State. Mrs. Howe was one of the national speakers selected to aid in the fight for the retention of Vermont's prohibitory law, and she did valiant campaign work in that State, which included an address before the State Legislature. Mrs. Howe also did pioneer work in Louisiana, took a hand in the Mississippi campaign for State prohibition and devoted more time than usual to her own State. Her statistical report showed \$1,483.50 collected for the work.

Mrs. C. C. Faxon, W. C. T. U. Commissioner in the Philippines, speaking of conditions in the islands, says: "With American occupation two classes of people became subjects for missionary effort—the Filipino and the degenerate American. The conditions that follow in the wake of war are not conducive to a healthy moral atmosphere. Three great evils are dominant—intemperance, the social evil and gambling. The two former were practically imported; the latter was quite in harmony with a custom of the country. The new canteen law, though a step in the right direction, did not win us friends in the army, nor has it been carried into effect with the provisions made to supply its place sufficiently to test its value. Gambling and the cockpit are common and are sought by native men and women and foreigners. The opium habit is not exclusively Chinese. Filipinos and Americans are contracting it. The W. C. T. U. work consisted in visiting the sick in the hospitals and supplementing the evangelical work with gifts of fans and flowers; distributing the literature and comfort bags sent; hunting up mothers' boys, and writing letters of encouragement to them."

PLAN OF SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE DEPARTMENT.

If our temperance educational laws are thoroughly enforced for the next twenty-five years, we have every reason to believe that the majority of our people will be total abstainers, with all that implies, for the future of our race and nation. It largely rests with the W. C. T. U. whether these laws shall be enforced. God has given us the vision of things as they are and as they should be and if these laws are ever enforced the mothers must do it. Let us devote ourselves to this work with new diligence and courage during the coming year. Make an effort to get the *Physiology Journal* into the hands of every teacher in your village, town and township. If you cannot get it for a year, get it for four months at 25 cents. The Oral Lesson Book, for primary teachers, is most excellent help and ought to be in every primary and intermediate room in the State. Helps by the Way, just the leaflet, every local Superintendent needs to equip her for the year's work. These helps and the many excellent New Century Leaflets can be had of Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, 23 Trullist, Boston, Mass. The small Scientific Temperance chart, exhibited at State Convention, can be had of the State Superintendent for \$1.25. It would take only a small effort to place one of these charts in each district and village school and its very presence would help. See that each teacher has a copy of the law. They can be furnished at 10 cents per dozen. Keep an accurate account of all efforts and be ready to report next September in big, round numbers. MATTIE CAMMACK GIBSON, State Superintendent.

THE UNION SIGNAL AT THE CONVENTION.

The National official organ was enthusiastically supported by members of the convention. Over 1,000 individual subscriptions were received by Miss Emma Alexander during the convention. Pledges of subscriptions were made by nearly every State President and by many individuals. A majority of the States pledged to double their former subscription lists.

Mrs. Rebecca B. Chambers pledged 5,000 for Pennsylvania; Mrs. Katharine Lente Stevenson brought 100 subscriptions and promised to double the list in her State; Mrs. Cornelia B. Forbes said that Connecticut would double her list; Mrs. Frances W. Graham, of New York, said that 150 had been subscribed at their State convention and that they would double their list and if possible treble it; Mrs. Luella A. Ramsey said that South Dakota would endeavor to double her list; Mrs. Ida A. Read promised that Vermont would use every effort to double her list, and Mrs. Emma Bourne promised the same for New

Jersey; Mrs. Laura E. Harsha promised that Indian Territory would do her best; Mrs. Mary A. Babcock promised that Rhode Island would make an effort to double her list; Mrs. Clinton Smith pledged the same for the District of Columbia; Mrs. Emma Cash promised that California would do her best; Mrs. Ellen R. Richardson said that New Hampshire pledged to more than double her list; Mrs. Helen M. Stoddard said that every Texas delegate had subscribed and that they would double their list; Mrs. Dora V. Wheelock said the delegation from Nebraska was determined to double its list; Mrs. V. K. Rollins said that all the delegates from Maine had subscribed and that they would pledge 100 new subscribers. Other assurances from Maine indicate that the Pine Tree State will equal all others in supporting our official organ. Mrs. Anderson pledged that North Dakota would double her list and Mrs. Howard M. Hoge promised the same for Virginia; Mrs. Margaret B. Platt said that Washington (West) would get every member in the State to subscribe; Mrs. Benjamin, President of Michigan, pledged fifty dollars in cash subscribers; Mrs. Helen L. Bullock pledged fifty subscribers and to use her best endeavors to secure 100; Rev. Mary J. Borden said New Mexico would endeavor to double her list; Mrs. Bessie L. Scovell pledged the same for Minnesota; Kentucky pledged to try to double her list; Mrs. Holme, of Maryland, said that her State would use every effort to double her list; Mrs. Culla Vayhinger said that Indiana would try to secure 1,000 new members this year and would make the same effort for the *Union Signal*; West Virginia promised to do as well as Maryland; Miss Ellen D. Morris, of Missouri, pledged to double her list; Mrs. Holman, of Tennessee, promised that that State would double her list; Mrs. Margaret Wintringer, National Organizer, promised fifty subscribers; Mrs. E. B. Hutchinson pledged 125 new subscribers for Kansas and raised her previous pledge of 500 for the State to at least 700; Mrs. L. E. Bailey, National Organizer, pledged 200 new subscribers; Wisconsin promised to try to secure 1,000 during the year.

Upon the redemption of these pledges depends the success of our official paper during the coming year. We believe that each State will measure up to the promise of its president and our plans for the paper will be upon that basis.

FIELD NOTES.

New Officers have been elected as follows for Knox County: President, Mrs. Allie R. Law, 318 Hart street, Vincennes; Vice-President, Mrs. Davis, Vincennes; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Henrietta Lee, Edwardsport; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Fuller, Vincennes; Treasurer, Mrs. Arie Polk, Freelandville; Secretary L. T. L., Mrs. Ora McArthur, Freelandville; Secretary Y., Mrs. Mayme Wahmier, Edwardsport.

Red Key Union is slowly but surely gaining in membership. I think we have almost, if not quite doubled in the last six months. We held a very successful contest the sixth of November, and had Sister Cora Steele with us to preside over the meeting. Miss Pauline Jackson won the medal. We also had a silver medal contest the 11th of this month, when Miss Bessie Hilt won the medal. The church was crowded on both occasions, and good collections were taken. We think now we will give the same class another trial at some nearby country church, and give the collection to the Hadley School. How eagerly I watch for the reports from the Winchester, Ind., Union (my old home Union.)

MILLIE E. LAVELL,
Supt. Contest Work.

LaPorte Union is preparing for Frances E. Willard Memorial Day; also, for their Institute. Many of the Unions are well pleased and encouraged with the excellent reports brought to them by their delegates from the State Convention. This Union is no exception, as its delegates brought good reports. LaPorte Union was also represented at the National by Mrs. Seth Pease, she being the delegate coming the longest distance in the Hoosier State, having traversed the State diagonally. Mrs. Pease in her report speaks in high praise of the Convention, and thinks that all who can attend should do so; also tells with much pride of the young people in attendance who were of great help to the Convention, among them being a daughter of our beloved Mrs. McWhirter. During the month of November we were favored with a visit from one of our members, dear Mary Baumgardner, whose home for the winter will be in Ohio. Sunday, December 13, the Anti Saloon League was well represented in our churches, a number of ministers coming from abroad to assist. Sunday, December 20, a meeting was held to form a committee in each county of the State to look after legislative nominations, the purpose of the League being to oppose nominees of any party that are unfriendly to the temperance laws. The members of the W. C. T. U. are full of enthusiasm, as they feel that much of this has been brought about through their agitation and faithfulness.

Star City Union held a very interesting and profitable meeting Sabbath evening, December 13, at the M. E. Church. The County President, Mrs. Ellen L. Potter, gave a report of the State Convention. Mrs. Ella Benedict, wife of the principal of our school, gave a fine recitation. Master Everett Vaniman also gave a fine recitation. Rev. Lewis, pastor of the Christian Church, presented some very plain facts in a short speech. Our music was excellent. Mrs. A. L. Smith, who is an accomplished musician, sang

"The Knot of White Ribbon." Rev. Clark, pastor of the M. E. Church, voiced his sentiment in a most excellent prayer at the close of the program. We received two new members. One was a young man, a stranger to most of our White Ribboners, but he signed the pledge, put on the white ribbon and gave himself and his dollar. We are praying that the benediction of heaven may rest upon him. At our business meeting on the 16th we took up some new department work, and elected some Superintendents to take the places of those who had moved away: Loyal Temperance Legion (new), Mrs. A. L. Clark; Medal Contest, Mrs. Ella Benedict; Sunday-school Work, Mrs. Mary Blue; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Emma Vaniman; Anti-Narcotics, Mrs. Ella Benedict; Mercy, Mrs. America Jones; Petition and Legislation (new), Mrs. Ellen L. Potter; Scientific Temperance Instruction, Mrs. Ella Benedict; Peace and Arbitration, Mrs. Fannie Owens. New County Superintendents: Sunday-school Work, Mrs. Myrtle Higgins, Francisville; Peace and Arbitration, Mrs. Clara Wilson, Francisville; Anti-Narcotics, Mrs. Ella Benedict, Star City; Petition and Legislation, Mrs. Anna L. Rusk, Francisville; Mercy, Mrs. America Jones, Star City.

Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, State and County Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication, was the first Marion County Superintendent to adopt the State Department Board of Superintendents' suggestion, that each County Superintendent should call the Local Superintendents of her department together at least once in the year. Mrs. Whitson had three plans to suggest, and they were unanimously endorsed. If these plans mature, Mrs. Stanley, Vice-President of State W. C. T. U., will deliver two lectures daily, for one week, on Non-Alcoholic Medication. Every Local Union will devote two meetings, during the coming year, to this subject, and each Local Superintendent will have leaflets on this subject placed in every house in her district. Mrs. Whitson served a dainty lunch, was extremely generous with literature, and encouraged every woman present. All felt that meeting together in this way and planning the year's work would have most satisfactory results.

E. G. SMITH,
Marion Co. Press Sup't.

Mrs. Elizabeth Haughton, National Evangelist and our State Superintendent of Evangelistic Department, spent two weeks and three Sabbaths recently, assisting in revival services in Bath, Ind. The minister has engaged her to return again in February. Early in January Mrs. Haughton will go to assist the pastor at Sims for two weeks. The second Sabbath that Mrs. Haughton was at Bath, Mrs. Smith, the County President, took her in a buggy to Brookville, eleven miles through a snow storm by private conveyance, where she spoke to the M. E. Sunday-School and preached a temperance sermon. Dear Mrs. Helen M. Stoddard, President of Texas, had been there visiting a loved niece, and had spoken one week before in that same Methodist Church. We rejoice to know that Mrs. Haughton is a-field.

Mary Hadley Y., of Terre Haute, is doing some splendid work. We have had several meetings since the convention, and are contemplating more just as fast as we can get the time to fill the places. We organized a Y over in West Terre Haute December 2 with five members to start with, and we are going to attend their meetings until they get started in the work. We have a force of thirty-three members, nine of whom are honorary. We are still working on the free will offering plan, and have always had money in the treasury. Have also taken up four additional lines of work—Systematic Giving, Mercy, Anti-Narcotic and Mothers' Meetings. Our meetings here of late have been very interesting. We have had many visitors and they seemed to take great interest in our work. We expect to add some more names to the ever increasing number of White Ribboners. Much good is being done here in Terre Haute. We will help push the wheels of the State organization.

Hadley Industrial School. There is not a W. C. T. U. woman in Indiana but what knows of Hadley Industrial School for girls of its origin and the care and training it has given many girls. Many of those who were willing contributors to the support of the school in its beginning have been called from works to rewards and their mantle should fall upon us. We are heirs to an opportunity of doing good to humanity. The school belongs to every W. C. T. U. in Indiana, and if each woman does her part the needs are all easily met. According to our constitution each Union must hold a contest for the benefit of the school. Some have lately sent clothing, carpets, etc., which were gladly received, but at present the finances are behind, which makes the work very hard on the new trustees. The bills for fuel, flour, groceries and salaries of employees must be met. Have you not a free will offering for this work?

MRS. E. H. CHANDLER,
Treas. of Board, Mooresville, Ind.

Contest at Roll—Another very successful Medal Contest was held at Roll, under the management of Mrs. Lillie Palmer, superintendent. The program had been very carefully arranged, and did not fail to interest the most indifferent. The recitations were all well rendered. The Medal was awarded to Miss Lora Boher. To say the Superintendent was proud of her class would be putting it very mild. A quartet of mixed voices furnished the music, which was very touching and appropriate. While the judges retired to make their decision, Miss Maud Day recited, and last, but not least, a collection was taken, and the people were very liberal. The Superintendent intends

holding a number of Contests during the winter, and hopes to accomplish much good through this line of work.

Dearborn County Convention convened at the Baptist Church, Tuesday, November 10, with the President, Mrs. Vayhinger, in the chair. Devotional services led by Mrs. Lucy Smith. Dillsboro, Guilford and Cold Springs Unions represented. The Treasurer sent a splendid report. The President gave a good report for the year, having organized three Unions, which are all flourishing. Especially are we proud of our Baby Union, Cold Springs. Papers and reports were given by the Superintendents of L. T. L., Narcotics, Fair, Press and Sunday School work. An interesting talk was given by Mrs. Brumblay, of Bedford, formerly of Moore's Hill, on "Purity." Mrs. Haughton, the National Superintendent of Evangelistic work, gave a helpful talk. At the evening meeting devotional service was led by Mrs. C. M. Kroft, our new President. Solo by Miss Laura Brooks. A very interesting, instructive and helpful lecture by Mrs. Haughton. Six new members were added to the Moore's Hill Union. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. C. M. Kroft, Guilford; Vice-President, Mrs. Lucy Smith, Moore's Hill; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Eva Ward, Guilford; Recording Secretary, Mrs. G. E. Squires, Moore's Hill; Treasurer, Mrs. R. H. Perlee, Dillsboro.

The citizens of Markle enjoyed greatly the series of nine lectures given by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. of Markle. Mrs. Stanley filled the hearts of the people with her noble purpose. She also gave several talks to the school children, whose hearts she won. She is not only endeavoring to rescue the fallen, but is striving to pave the way for the future safety of our boys and girls. Sunday afternoon she gave "Who Killed Joe's Baby?" painting upon the canvas of imagination the terrible pictures of a drunkard's home with such force as could not be doubted. At the earnest appeal to stand for truth and down with the curse many men offered their names and talents to forward the cause. Sunday evening Mrs. Stanley gave "The Coming Victory." A number of days later Mrs. Stanley was recalled by the W. C. T. U., but this time her work was mostly directed to the country surrounding Markle. During her stay she delivered lectures at the following places: Rock Creek Center, Barnes Chapel, Buckeye, and also at Markle. Large and enthusiastic crowds were in attendance at each of these places and liberal contributions were given to advance the cause. Sunday morning she lectured at Markle on Sunday observance. Her arguments were clear and well defined, and brought conviction to her listeners. On Sunday afternoon, before a house crowded with spell-bound listeners, she delivered, "At the Mercy of the State," for two hours. Mrs. Stanley swayed her audience at will, and was rewarded by many men taking a noble stand for right, and a number of new members to the W. C. T. U. Monday evening she again lectured in the country. Mrs. Stanley has accomplished a great work for Markle, for through her efforts, or at least largely influenced by them, Markle has determined to rid herself of the curse heretofore supported in her midst, and if successful it will owe a large share to Mrs. Stanley. May God bless her as she strives to aid and rescue the fallen.

Delaware County Convention was held at Albany. The President reported five Unions, one being organized the past summer. Nine evangelistic meetings were held during the year in churches, one in cottage and one before the Epworth League. Number doing personal work, 7; pages of literature distributed, 1,852; hours spent with sick, 25; visits to sick, 30. Mrs. Masters, Superintendent. All the Unions observed Flower Mission Day; 266 bouquets were given to the sick, the jail, the hospital, the street-car conductors and motormen—Mrs. Bell Orr, Superintendent. Four hundred pages of literature on Sabbath Observance was distributed and five sermons were preached on the subject—Mrs. Kate Stafford, Superintendent. The report on Systematic Giving, by Mrs. Current, was as follows: Meetings held, 5; pages of literature distributed, 50; number who practice tithing, 16. Mothers' Meetings, by Mrs. Ella Bond: Meetings held, 30; pages of literature, 313; copies of *American Mother* taken, 3; original papers read, 3; number on cradle roll, 22. Press-work—Clippings: Albany, 18 ft. 2 in.; Muncie, 12 ft. 2 in.; Normal City, 5 ft. 6 in.—total, 27 ft. 8 in. Medal Contest Work: Silver, 7; gold, 1; grand gold, 6; diamond, 1—total 15—Mrs. Lydia Carmichael, Superintendent. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. D. R. Nelson; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Martha Lockhart; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Ella Bond; Treasurer, Mrs. Lydia Rinker, Superintendents appointed: Evangelistic, Mrs. Amy Masters, Muncie; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Kate Stafford, Albany; Flower Mission, Mrs. Belle Orr, Eaton; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Ella Bond, Normal City; Medal Contests, Mrs. Cora Steele, Muncie; Purity, Mrs. Odessa Rayle, Muncie; Systematic Giving, Mrs. Rhoda Curent, Albany; Press, Mrs. Dora Nelson, Muncie; L. T. L., Mrs. Lydia Carmichael. Mrs. Carmichael reported an L. T. L. at Eaton of 133 members. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, of Richmond, was present, and during the afternoon gave a beautiful talk on the life of Frances Willard. Her theme for the evening was, "What the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is doing." Total number of active members in the county, 74.

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NATIONAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTION.

The Chicago *Journal* editorially says in part:
"It is true, as stated in the opening address of the President, that the W. C. T. U. is acknowledged as a power throughout the world. Whatever attitude a political party or an individual may assume toward the question of prohibition, whatever badinage may be indulged in toward this organization, or however much the people may be addicted to the use of liquor, the number of persons is comparatively few who will not admit, down in their hearts, that this great body of women is engaged in a noble fight against the worst bane of civilization—alcoholic drink."

"The defenders of liquor have many clever arguments in favor of it, but as a matter of cold, self-apparent truth, the argument of the women is absolutely unanswerable. Intoxicating liquor is the one great curse of the world. The organization recognizes the fact that it cannot annihilate liquor in a day nor in a generation. It realizes that the monster it has started out to conquer is the most difficult to kill of all the devouring creatures of the earth. The W. C. T. U. knows that the busiest men on the planet are the liquor men—that they work day and night and never sleep. To combat such an enemy is indeed a discouraging task, and all honor and respect is due to these courageous women who are building up an organization that is growing year by year with an ever-increasing power."

ANOTHER GOVERNMENT SCANDAL—LIQUOR SELLING IN YELLOWSTONE PARK.

James Fullerton, of Red Lodge, Mont., National President of the Sportsman's Game Protective Association, has addressed the following communication to Montana Congressmen:

"DEAR SIR—We have for a long time been trying to get an investigation into the rotten condition of affairs in the Yellowstone Park. I now ask you to bring the matter publicly before the House or Senate, that a committee may be appointed that will impartially investigate the charges of venality and corruption against the officials who have charge of the Park. I stand prepared to furnish indisputable proof that the President, the Assistant Secretary of the Interior and Major Pitcher, Superintendent of the Park, have been in collusion for a year to allow H. W. Childs to run a lot of illegal saloons in Yellowstone Park."

I am, with respect, yours truly,
JAMES FULLERTON.

"President Sportsman's Game Protective Association."

This is a serious charge. The rules governing the Yellowstone Park positively forbid the sale or use of liquor within the Park. If Mr. Fullerton can substantiate his charges, as he declares he can, and can prove collusion on the part of the Superintendent of the Park, that officer should be removed and punished. The rules of the Park are rigidly enforced against the public, so much so that visitors of high character and standing have been arrested and grossly humiliated for innocently violating them.—*Exchange*.

HIGH LICENSE A FAILURE.

This is proved by the liquor dealers on testimony. The *Brewers' Journal* says: "High license reforms nothing, and wherever it has been given a fair trial it has been to the liquor dealers eminently satisfactory from a financial point of view."

The *Bar*, the official liquor organ of Chicago, says: "A good high license to help pay the tax of the temperance fanatics will pacify their consciences."

A Boston liquor dealer believes in high license because it puts his business on a more respectable foundation, and he says: "The State offers me something which protects me in my business."

Bonfort's *Wine and Spirit Circular*, referring to the Brooks law, says: "Increase of the license fee in Pennsylvania from \$500 to \$1,000 will be the best investment the liquor interests ever made."

The *Wine and Spirit Gazette* says: "It must be admitted that the Philadelphia liquor sellers whose stores are at present bonanzas, favor the increase of the annual license fee to \$2,000. The higher the fee the better their chance of crowding the little fellows out of business, and creating a monopoly by which a few will make large fortunes."

Mr. Peter Iler, the leading distiller of Nebraska after several years experience of the high license system, in a letter written for the guidance of liquor dealers in another state, says:

"High license does not hurt our business, but on the contrary, has been a great benefit to it. I believe somewhat that high license acts as a bar against prohibition. I do not think that high license lessens the quantity of liquors used."—*Exchange*.

Mrs. McWhirter needs the following copies of the MESSAGE to complete her files: November, 1899; November, 1900; May, 1903. Any one having one or all of these please inform Mrs. McWhirter by postal and she will send ten cents in stamps for each copy.

AN EPIDEMIC OF CRIME.

As a contribution to the discussion by the press on "the epidemic of crime," the *Corner Stone* says:

"Crime is on the increase because we sell the right to carry on a crime-producing business for money. In Ohio any man, no matter what his character, may enter the business of crime-making for only \$350. He may carry on that business unmolested for a whole year for that amount of money. He may debauch and ruin as many of the boys and young men as he can entice into his den for a whole year for that amount of money. He may do this as a regular business. This may be with him just as much a regular business as selling tea, coffee or sugar. As long as this condition of things prevails of course crime will increase. It is the legalized saloon that is turning loose upon the world an army of what we call criminals. The fact is too evident to need proof."

FROM PRESIDENT.

The first quarter of the year is gone. The report of the treasurer shows that 174 more members paid dues this quarter than the corresponding quarter last year. This is encouraging and I hope it is only the omen of 1000 new members for the year. A letter from Mrs. Carmen tells us that so far Indiana is in the lead in Medal Contests. Reports from over the State show a number of new L. T. L.'s this quarter; also several new unions. I hope every woman who wears the white ribbon is talking victory and working for it. If there is one who feels discouraged, I trust she will, before saying anything about it, go into her closet, shut the door and there wrestle with God until she has the victory and can claim the promises of God for the success of His work. It is His, not ours, and as long as we keep our hand in His, He will see that we have success. The battle never was as fierce as it is to-day. The saloon men say "In order to meet these agitators we must organize, agitate and put our money into the fight." This is just what we must do. I am trusting the unions, where there is only one union in the county, to help organize more and have a county organization before the end of the year. I hope these unions will fall in with the plan which I sent to their Presidents and work for it. Do not be afraid to plan largely for God is pleased with such faith and honors it. If there is any way in which I can help you I shall be glad to do so. Do not forget Mother Thompson's good-bye to us. "Remember Lot's wife." CULLA J. VAYTINGER.

THE GIDEONS.

A new movement, started two years ago in Wisconsin by some traveling salesman, has been remarkably successful in carrying out the object of its founders. The "Gideons" is an organization of Christian traveling men, whose motto is: "The hotel bar must go," and it is going. In the State of Wisconsin alone seventy-five hotels have been compelled to discontinue their bars during the last year on account of the tremendous influence exercised by the Gideons. Already 2,707 have joined the movement.

Among the Gideons the whisky bottle has been thrown aside to give place to the Bible; the proverbial pack of cards has been replaced by the hymn book and their place of amusement and resort changed from the bar room to the church and prayer meeting.

The edict of this organization of drummers is: "No hotel in America supporting a bar in its establishment will receive the patronage of the Gideons in this country."

FROM OUR EXCHANGES.

The County Convention was held at Vincennes in December. It was specially marked by a spirit of great devotion and consecration to our cause, a sweet spirit of helpfulness one to another, and hopefulness for a good year. Several have been added to the membership of the County.

Mrs. Cora Steele, our State Superintendent of Medal Contest Department, is the happy recipient of a beautiful black dress as a token of loving appreciation from the Delaware County Executive Committee. 'Tis a beautiful way the White Ribboners have of "giving flowers" to comrades while they may enjoy them.

Indianapolis Frances Willard Union held a silver medal contest on December 4th in Hall Place M. E. Church. There were six contests: Louisa Sethman, Freda Mann, Eva Smith, Mildred Spence, May Amos, and Madaline Lockwood. The medal was awarded to May Amos. The others were presented with L. T. L. buttons. Ten dollars of the proceeds were sent to the Hadley Home, the annual offering of the Union to the Home.

"Ether and chloroform are made from alcohol; fusel oil is a constituent of bad whisky; naptha, or wood spirits, is another; carbolic acid and creosote are chemical substances which are related to alcohol."—Dr. Kellogg, Battle Creek Sanitarium.

ALCOHOL NOT A STIMULANT.

"The popular idea that alcohol is a stimulant is doubtless the chief occasion for its use as a remedy by physicians. But modern researches have shown that alcohol cannot, in any proper sense, be regarded as a stimulant. It lessens vital activity in all diseases. The giving of alcohol to weak and fainting persons is a most pernicious and injurious practice, as the drug serves still further to depress and weaken the vital forces. The feeling of increased strength imparted by alcohol is deceptive. This is true in relation to both mental and muscular effect."—Dr. Kellogg, Battle Creek Sanitarium.

The employment of Ex-U. S. Senator Thurston by the National Liquor Dealers' Association as their attorney to appear before committees of Congress in behalf of all measures affecting the liquor traffic and the raising of \$5,000,000, show that they mean business and are alarmed at the outlook. With them millions are at stake. The rapid growth of the local option movement in the south, under which large portions of territory in all the Southern States are affected, may well cause consternation among the liquor men. In Arkansas, during 1902, 53 out of 75 counties declared against licensing saloons; in Georgia, 103 out of 137; in Kentucky, out of 119 counties, 47 have entire, and 54 partial prohibition; in Mississippi, 65 out of 75; in Tennessee, 84 out of 96; North Carolina prohibits the traffic except in incorporated towns which vote for it. There is not a Southern State in which the anti-liquor tide is not rising.—*National Advocate*.

No more important general legislation affecting the temperance question has been proposed for over a decade than the Hepburn (H. R. 4072)-Dolliver Bill (Senate 1390.) This measure is simply designed to make State legislation on the liquor question effective by allowing the laws of the State to have complete jurisdiction over liquor shipped into the State, both before and after delivery. Prohibition, whether State wide or local, and all forms of local option legislation will not have a fair test without this law. The bill is before the Judiciary Committee in both houses of Congress. The special thing desired now is short, courteous appeals to Senators and Congressmen on the committees and to your own Congressman to do everything in their power to secure the prompt and favorable consideration of the measure by the committees and its early passage by both branches. Send letters and telegrams to Indiana Congressmen. Urge them to use their influence in favor of this measure.

Frances Willard's Heavenly Birthday, February 17, will be observed in all the countries of the world where flutters the White Ribbon. Every Union should hold commemorative services of some kind, either a public or a parlor meeting, at which a free-will offering should be taken for the national organization fund. At such meeting have some skillful person give a review of "An Uncrowned Queen," the short story of Miss Willard's life written in most attractive form by Mrs. Bernie Babcock. The little book can be obtained from the Temperance Literature Headquarters, 915 The Silvermith's Building, 131-137 Wabash avenue, Chicago. The effect of the sweet Christ-like life of Miss Willard is influencing more people to-day than any other woman known to the Christian world.

The Union Signal should be in the home of every White Ribboner who is interested in the work beyond her own immediate vicinity. It is the greatest philanthropic woman's journal in the world to-day. Please subscribe. Send one dollar by money order or postage for one year's subscription to the Union Signal, Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill. Presidents of local Unions, please ask your members to subscribe for themselves and for their ministers and school teachers.

SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

The consternation of our enemies is our greatest encouragement to-day. The liquor traffic hates and fears, more than anything else in our W. C. T. U. work, the scientific teaching in the public school. Hence the revival of the "Committee of Fifty," that they may proclaim against the endorsed text-books and the injustice of educational laws. They are now crying, "Education does not educate," as they once cried, "Prohibition doesn't prohibit." "The Fifty" do not publish their names, but we find their articles in many of our papers and leading magazine reviews and editorial comments on their books.

Our National Superintendent and her advisory board are also preparing books, with opinions of scientists whose names will be published and this little storm will pass as did the "Atwater" breeze.—*Exchange*.

Many eminent physicians condemn the use of wine, beer or spirits as a preventive against cold.

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MRS. LUELLA F. McWHIRTER, Editor,
Rosabower, Greencastle, Ind.

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Mrs. Vayhinger says: "In a letter from Mr. Ingalls, the General Freight Agent of the Big Four railroad, in reply to one asking free transportation for our Hadley School donations, he says that if, when we have goods to move, I will write to the agent at Indianapolis, they can help us. So, when you have such goods to go over the Big Four, if you will drop me a card in time I will write to the agent. I trust every Union is planning something good for the Hadley School."

FRANCHISE.

I have a fine proposition to make to franchise superintendents and to friends of the franchise department. By securing a club of twenty-five names to subscribe for the *Woman's Journal*, a weekly paper published in the interests of women, educational, industrial, legal and political, especially her right to the elective franchise, the regular price of \$2.50 will be reduced to \$1.50. No live superintendent should be without this invaluable companion. It is full of helpful suggestions in writing papers and fine articles for meetings. Sample copies may be secured by sending five cents to my address. A club of twenty-five secured will enable your State Superintendent to put out the regular franchise issue of the MESSAGE in August and further carry on the work. A mutual benefit affair, you see. And remember we want this year to exceed any yet.

Superintendents, I will soon send you materials and instructions for the year's work and let me hear some good reports. I wish every superintendent would send me her name and the name of the county and local unions she represents.

I wish to urge the discussion of the subject at local meetings—one meeting of each quarter, if possible, being devoted to the subject. Prepare for the canvass soon to be renewed. Here are some more suggested topics for these meetings. Clip them out or mark for future reference:

1. Does Intelligence Count?
2. Civic Responsibilities of Women.
3. Characteristics of the Modern Woman.
4. The Making of Citizens
5. Economic Independence of Women.
6. Our Foremothers.
7. Is Woman the Weaker Vessel?
8. Privileges and Opportunities of Women.
9. Stand Up and be Counted.
10. A New Liberty Bell.
11. Lucy Stone.
12. We, the Women.

MISS PEARL RALL, L. L. B.
State Superintendent.

FLOWER MISSION.

The new year has dawned roseate with the hope for greater effort in our department. Let each of us feel our responsibility and make the Flower Mission work a splendid success. How shall we do this? Only by a systematic plan and untiring interest in carrying out our plans.

Let each County Superintendent, as soon as possible, send to me her name and address, with a list of the names and addresses of the local Superintendents in her county. And right here I wish to ask that "Mrs." or "Miss" be written with each name to prevent awkward mistakes. Then, if each County Superintendent will send a postal to Miss Lella N. Sewall, 330 Mass. Ave., Boston, Mass., our National Superintendent, and ask for samples of the Flower Mission literature I am sure she can better accomplish what she undertakes, for, by having sample leaflets, she will know what she wishes to order and how to advise her local Superintendents in regard to any kind of literature they may desire.

The local Superintendents are those on whom we most depend for the success of the coming year. Each of you will, no doubt, have many original plans and pride yourself on the amount of work you may accomplish in this delightful department.

First and most important, do not forget to keep an account of each bouquet, text card, leaflet or pamphlet distributed, how many visits to the sick, etc. At each meeting of your Union urge all who helped in any of these ways to report to you, so an account may be kept.

Then, a good way to interest your individual Union members and to also broaden your effort is to appoint each week two women to gather flowers, jelly, clothes and literature, either from their own homes or from neighbors and friends and bring to you on a certain day. Then, after making bouquets and fastening text cards to each, you may distribute these where they may do the most good. The next week two more women may help, and in this way each may help you. Of course, you should have a list to which always to add names of those who are sick or poor or in trouble who may be suggested to you. You should also see the superintendent or keeper of any institution which may be visited with bouquets or leaflets and get permission to visit it. Each week something should be done, and it is a good plan to have a certain day and time for each distribution, so that all who are sympathetic may send supplies to you for this work.

Here follows a list of Flower Mission supplies:

1. Text cards.....10c per 100, 90c per 1,000
2. Comfort powders.....25c per box
3. Plan of Work.....60c per 100
4. Flower Mission responsive reading...50c per 100
5. Development of the Flower Mission...50c per 100
6. Lives Laid Down.....35c per 100
7. Frances Willard and the Lamplighter...25c per 100
8. Program for Flower Mission meeting...25c per 100
9. Program for Flower Mission day service,20c per 100
10. Program for L. T. L. Flower Mission entertainment.....85c per 100
11. Report blanks.....45c per 100
12. Suggestions to Flower Mission workers,30c per 100

This literature may be ordered from the National Superintendent, whose address is given above.

Each local Superintendent should order for her own use at once copies of Nos. 3, 4, 8 and 12 in the foregoing list, also as many text cards as possible. Plan for raising funds, and also plan for a big Flower Mission meeting early in the spring.

Write me of any plans that may be helpful to others, as well as your own Union, and in any way I shall be always glad to assist you.

LUELLA S. McWHIRTER.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Three months of this year are now gone and if any of us have been digesting what we heard at the last State Convention during this time, it is now time to go to working out some of these plans we have been studying over.

Our Secretaries have moved out of the State. I have not heard from either of them yet, but hope to in a short time. Under these conditions it will be necessary for me to try to keep in touch with the Senior Legions of the State in the place of Miss Cowdrey, our Corresponding Secretary. It will therefore be a great help to me if the Secretaries of all the Senior Legions will just write and let me know what they are doing.

I wish that we might begin right away to keep the Senior reports entirely separate from the Junior, so that we can have them given at the State Convention. I am satisfied that a great deal of work is being done that is never reported. Shall we not be very careful about this during this year? We had hoped to have new report blanks this year, but unless we find sufficient funds with which to print them ourselves, we will have to forego what seems to be almost a necessity.

And speaking of the money brings to my mind the fact that our State has provided no way by which our State Secretary can have her expenses paid to the National Convention. The ideas and suggestions given at a National, together with the inspiration that comes from meeting with the State Secretaries of the L. T. L. work from such States as Pennsylvania, New York and others, who are leading in L. T. L. work, is helpful beyond realization, not only to our Secretary, but also to the State. Indiana has always been a little slow and behind with dues and finances generally and I am going to ask this year that each Senior Legion, and as many Junior Legions as will (for our State Secretary is as helpful to the Juniors as to the Seniors), give one collection a month to a fund, which shall be held for the sole purpose of sending our State L. T. L. Secretary to the National W. C. T. U. Convention. This may seem like a large demand to you at first, but honestly, dear fellow-workers, we do not ask largely enough in this great work. Do you urge the children to bring money to the legion for your weekly collection? Indeed, do all of you take weekly collections? We ought to do this. I am not asking this for myself, I am asking it for Indiana and for the Indiana Loyal Temperance Legion. With many of you, this would mean only about \$1.00 a year, and can't we all do this for the sake of the work in Indiana?

I desire also to call your attention to the fact that Indiana is going to take some forward steps this year. The most important "breaking away" from old things will be a separate State L. T. L. Convention. For a long time it has seemed to be a most desirable thing to hold our L. T. L. Convention in the summer when we are all out of school, and while the matter has not been definitely settled, we are looking forward to a June L. T. L. State Convention for 1904. Do you want to be represented in this convention with a vote? If so, graduate a large class of seniors and bring them to the convention. You will hear more of this summer convention, however, later on. We may not be

able to carry through our plans this year, though we are trusting that a way will open up for it.

And now, dear sisters, those of you who read this, won't you help the L. T. L. work this year? Give it your support and try to have a large graduating class for the 1904 convention.

EDITH HILLIS,
State President.

MEDAL CONTESTS.

I do not often ask for space in your State paper, but I want to express to you my delight at the work being accomplished under the Superintendent of this department, Mrs. Cora M. Steele. When dear Mrs. Balch gave up the work I said it will be almost impossible for any one to follow her and keep the work up to the present momentum. At the close of the first year we were pleased to find that nearly as many contests had been held and that many of the high grade medals had been awarded. This is unusual. I cannot find in any State, when a change has been made in superintendents, a better report than was given by Indiana last year. Indiana women have always worked in cooperation with the State Superintendent in this department. The State officials are specially interested and will do all they can to advance the interest of this work. The last two months you have done exceptionally well, and if the work increases, as it always does as Spring advances and the Institutes are being held, you will, without doubt, reach the number you determined on at the National Convention—650 contests during the year. Let me mention right here that the contest work has been helped very perceptibly by the National Superintendent of Institutes, Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall. She not only encourages, but urges the holding of contests at Institutes.

Contests at Institutes are fast becoming a prominent feature. We hear that two diamond contests are in preparation in your State. Endeavor to give all contestants an opportunity to win high grade medals. You who attended the National Convention and heard Mrs. Coggeshall render that masterful oration by J. G. Woolley with force and eloquence felt justly proud of her; we all did. Indiana wants hundreds of such speakers and can have them if all will do their best.

Your L. T. L. State Superintendent, Miss Susie McWhirter, will endeavor to interest every L. T. L. in the State. With all these forces at work, Indiana will make a record that may exceed her present expectations.

MRS. ADELIA E. CARMAN,
National Supt. of Medal Contests.

"The fact that individuals have lived from thirty to sixty days on water alone shows that those who live a shorter time on brandy and water lived in spite of the alcohol instead of by the aid of it"—Kellogg.

"The readers of the *Herald* will notice that we carry no whisky advertisements. The other day we refused to advertise a patent medicine because the preparation bore an unsavory reputation as to its stimulating properties. A newspaper wields a great influence and that influence ought to be entirely for good, and wholly moral. A great deal of whisky is sold by the aid of advertisements in the newspapers, and it is just as bad to aid in selling whisky from an editor's chair as it is to stand behind the bar and pass it over at ten cents a glass."—*The Raleigh Herald*.

"All over the civilized world earnest, scientific men, and among them some of the acutest intellects of our time, are patiently and painfully laboring to fight disease, and the results of their labors are freely published and given to the world at large. Only thus can any real therapeutic advance be made. Is it reasonable to suppose that a small number of isolated non-medical men, ignorant of the mere rudiments of the medical sciences, working independently and in secrecy, are capable of discovering remedies more potent to cure disease than this army of choice and educated intellects, working jointly and in the light of day, and seeking their reward, not in great financial advancement, but in the knowledge of good work done? To allow, now, in the twentieth century, this indiscriminate trading in secret remedies is to push the idea of individual liberty to lengths which can only be characterized as absurd and at the same time to permit a wanton injury to be inflicted on the health of the community. I look forward to the day when the advertising, not only of secret remedies, but of remedies of any kind, in the lay papers shall be prohibited."—*Harry Campbell, M. D., F. R. C. P., President of the English Society for the Study of Inebriety, of London, England.*

Speaking of intemperance among women and that much of it comes through the use of alcohol in medicine, Sir Thomas Barlow, physician to the King of England, is reported to have said: "The only remedy for the evil is total abstinence; half and half measures are useless; we must banish alcohol entirely." The most pitiful dipsomaniac I have ever known is a woman, and she acquired the appetite by first taking alcohol as a medicine. Quite recently my attention was called to an inebriate who had occupied a good position in life and who had never tasted alcohol until he took it in the form of one of the many patent medicines which to-day flood our market, crowd our newspaper advertising and harm more than help humanity. The amount of alcohol that many patent medicines contain varies from five per cent. to eleven per cent. This fact alone should be sufficient to lead all total abstainers to decide that they cannot use patent medicines themselves nor advertise their use for others.—*Editor Union Signal.*



MARY HADLEY HALL.

INDIANA W. C. T. U. NORMAL INSTITUTE SCHEDULE FOR 1904.

SECTION ONE.

Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Leader, Moore's Hill, Ind.
 Steuben.....April, Sunday, 10; Monday, 11; Tuesday, 12
 DeKalb.....April, Wednesday, 13; Thursday, 14
 Whitley.....April, Friday, 15; Saturday, 16
 Noble.....April, Sunday, 17; Monday, 18
 LaGrange.....April, Tuesday, 19; Wednesday, 20
 Elkhart.....April, Thursday, 21; Friday, 22
 Kosciusko.....April, Saturday, 23; Sunday, 24
 Marshall.....April, Monday, 25; Tuesday, 26
 St. Joseph.....April, Thursday, 28; Friday, 29
 Starke.....April, Saturday, 30; Sunday, May, 1
 LaPorte.....May, Tuesday, 3; Wednesday, 4
 Pulaski.....May, Thursday, 5; Friday, 6
 Porter.....May, Monday, 9; Tuesday, 10
 Lake.....May, Wednesday, 11; Thursday, 12

SECTION TWO—EAST.

Leader to be secured a little later, who will correspond at once with County Presidents.

Madison.....April, Monday, 11; Tuesday, 12
 Delaware.....April, Thursday, 14; Friday, 15
 Blackford.....April, Monday, 18; Tuesday, 19
 Jay.....April, Thursday, 21; Friday, 22
 Adams.....April, Monday, 25; Tuesday, 26
 Allen.....April, Thursday, 28; Friday, 29
 Wells.....May, Monday, 2; Tuesday, 3
 Huntington.....May, Thursday, 5; Friday, 6
 Wabash.....May, Monday, 9; Tuesday, 10
 Grant.....May, Thursday, 12; Friday, 13

SECTION TWO—WEST.

Mrs. Rose Pearce, Leader, 1715 North Eighth street, Terre Haute, Ind.

Subjects for evening lectures—God's Plan of Finance. The Twentieth Century Boy; What Shall He Be? Side Lights on the Liquor Question.

Boone.....April, Monday, 11; Tuesday, 12
 Hamilton.....April, Thursday, 14; Friday, 15
 Clinton.....April, Monday, 18; Tuesday, 19
 Howard.....April, Thursday, 21; Friday, 22
 Miami.....April, Monday, 25; Tuesday, 26
 Fulton.....April, Thursday, 28; Friday, 29
 White.....May, Monday, 2; Tuesday, 3
 Newton.....May, Thursday, 5; Friday, 6
 Benton.....May, Monday, 9; Tuesday, 10
 Tippecanoe.....May, Thursday, 12; Friday, 13

SECTION THREE.

Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer, Leader, Franklin, Ind.
 Randolph.....April, Monday, 11; Tuesday, 12
 Wayne.....April, Thursday, 14; Friday, 15
 Union.....April, Monday, 18; Tuesday, 19
 Franklin.....April, Thursday, 21; Friday, 22
 Decatur.....April, Monday, 25; Tuesday, 26
 Shelby.....April, Thursday, 28; Friday, 29
 Henry.....May, Monday, 2; Tuesday, 3
 Hancock.....May, Thursday, 5; Friday, 6
 Marion.....May, Monday, 9; Tuesday, 10
 Hendricks.....May, Thursday, 12; Friday, 13
 Putnam.....May, Monday, 16; Tuesday, 17
 Parke.....May, Thursday, 19; Friday, 20
 Clay.....May, Monday, 23; Tuesday, 24
 Vermillion.....May, Thursday, 26; Friday, 27
 Sullivan.....May, Monday, 30; Tuesday, 31
 Greene.....June, Thursday, 2; Friday, 3
 Owen.....June, Monday, 6; Tuesday, 7
 Morgan.....June, Thursday, 9; Friday, 10
 Johnson.....June, Monday, 13; Tuesday, 14
 Bartholomew.....June, Thursday, 16; Friday, 17

SECTION FOUR.

Mrs. M. E. Haughton, Leader, 26 S. 7th st., Richmond
 Dearborn.....April, Monday, 11; Tuesday, 12
 Ripley.....April, Thursday, 14; Friday, 15

Washington.....April, Monday, 18; Tuesday, 19
 Floyd.....April, Thursday, 21; Friday, 22
 DuBois.....April, Monday, 25; Tuesday, 26
 Vanderberg.....April, Thursday, 28; Friday, 29
 Gibson.....May, Monday, 2; Tuesday, 3
 Knox.....May, Thursday, 5; Friday, 6
 Vigo.....May, Monday, 9; Tuesday, 10

W. C. T. U. INSTITUTE PROGRAM FOR 1904.

FIRST DAY.

MORNING.

10.00. County officers and workers in council. Brief reports of the work to date. Discussion of plans to be pushed to the close of the year. By order of the W. C. T. U. Executive.

AFTERNOON.

2.00. Opening devotional exercises conducted by a local officer.
 2.30. Organization of the Institute by the Leader. Music.
 3.00. Literature Helps; How to Procure and How to Use Them—By Superintendent of Literature. Discussion. Opening of subscription lists to *Union Signal*, *American Motherhood*, *Crusader Monthly*, *School Physiology Journal*, etc. Music.
 3.40. Introduction of fraternal delegates and visitors.
 3.55. Announcements. Music. Adjournment.

EVENING.

7.30. Song. Devotion. Music.
 7.45. Address or lecture by Institute Leader. Collection. Invitation to membership. Music. Benediction.
 If the services are on time and not too long, close with a social half hour, in which a crusade for membership may be made by a special committee.

SECOND DAY.

MORNING.

9.00. Devotional exercises. Music.
 9.15. Present and Future of Loyal Legioners. Discussion. Department Question Box and Round Table, where departments may be presented briefly by the different Superintendents and followed by questions and a general discussion as follows: "How Can Our Cause be Advanced Through the Sunday-school?"
 9.35. Should each State have a law requiring the ingredients of patent medicines to be placed on the bottle? Music.
 10.20. Can a Christian consistently sell and use tobacco?
 10.35. Statutory and Constitutional Prohibition for Indiana, by the Superintendent of Christian Citizenship or Institute Leader. Discussion.
 11.05. Our Home Beautiful at Hadley—What is Our Constitutional Obligation to it? By local President.
 11.30. Evangelistic hour.
 12.00. Announcements. Adjourn for lunch.

AFTERNOON.

2.00. Music. Scripture reading (Isa. 1:9-20), by Evangelistic Superintendent or President. Prayer by an honorary member. Music.
 2.20. Open Conference, conducted by the Leader. Topic, "The Co-Operation of Temperance Forces." Foundation texts—Ec. 7:25, 1st Cor. 1:10, Psa. 55:14. Proverb—"Where no counsel is the people fall, but in the multitude of counsellors there is safety."
 In this council of the forces, which can make or unmake for righteousness, the church, the school, temperance organizations, the medical profession and the young people's societies should all be represented in talks of from ten to twelve minutes each, with a brief general discussion and summary by the Leader.
 3.30. Which Shall Live, Scientific Temperance Instruction in Our Schools or the Report of the Committee of Fifty? By the Superintendent of Scientific Instruction. General discussion. Announcements. Prayer.

Y. EVENING.

7.30. Devotional exercises by Y. honorary or minister.
 7.45. An original or a musical contest, or a special program prepared by the Y. Admission charged to help meet Institute expenses. Invitation for membership. Report of contest judges. Special music. Closing prayer.

SUBJECTS FOR EVENING MEETINGS.

1. A Mis-Spent Trust.
2. Some Young People I Know.
3. The American Goliath.
4. The Reason Why.
5. Are Christians Responsible for the Liquor Traffic?
6. What it Costs and Who Pays.
7. The Christian's Attitude Toward Sin.

Dear County President—With all good wishes for your success as assured by your prompt correspondence, and asking you to now correspond with your Section Leader in regard to Sunday services and other details of Institute work. MARY HADLEY HALL, Supt. National W. C. T. U. Institutes, 285 E. Jefferson St., Franklin, Ind.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Our National L. T. L. Secretary says: "It now becomes the duty of each State L. T. L. Secretary to do all in her power to have the recommendations carried out that were passed upon in our conferences at the National Convention at Cincinnati, as well as to make more effective than ever the plans which have proved successful in previous years."

As your State Secretary, I was very glad to have the privilege of attending these conferences. A plan of work will soon be completed and ready to send out. If you do not receive one, please send me a postal card and the return mail will bring it to you. Here are a few of the recommendations:

That each Legion contribute at least \$2.00 to the Willard memorial fund.

That each Legion send money or hospital supplies to the L. T. L. room in the Frances E. Willard National Temperance Hospital and hold one hospital meeting during the year.

That the scope of our L. T. L. Red Letter day—September 28—be enlarged, and that it be hereafter designated as "L. T. L. Harvest Home and Crusader Monthly Day."

That we take up the Home Department work. (Modeled after the Home Department work of Sabbath-schools now so extensively adopted.)

That we collect dues from unpledged (as well as pledged) members, these dues to be retained in local treasury.

That we endeavor to organize Legions in public institutions composed of young people.

Support was pledged to the *Crusader Monthly*. I do hope Indiana may secure this subscription gift:

"A valuable library. Six sets of handsome volumes, selected from the L. T. L. Seal Reading Courses and comprising the subjects of Mercy, Bird Study, Golden Rule, Christian Citizenship, Danger Signal and Sociology, will be given to the State securing the greatest number of subscriptions to the *Crusader Monthly* from January 1, 1904, to October 1, 1904. The winning State will be announced at the National W. C. T. U. Convention."

Help your State to secure this valuable premium. Price of paper, 25 cents. Good reports coming in every week.

Mrs. Martha L. Gipe organized a good Legion in Indianapolis since the State Convention.

Mrs. Lida Outland organized one at Upland with 119 members. Officers as follows: Mrs. Outland, Leader; Aura Outland, President; Jennie Jones, Secretary; Morris Outland, Treasurer; Cora Stout, Organist; Kemp Deeren, Chorister.

Mrs. Jennie Ward, L. T. L. Secretary of Dearborn County, organized a Legion at Guilford. Mrs. Mary Hammel, Leader; Mrs. Ella Kroft, Assistant Leader; Ruth Kroft, President; Gildie Shields, Vice-President; Lucy Ward, Secretary; Minette Ward, Treasurer. She writes: "Good prospects for more Legions in Dearborn County."

Mrs. W. A. Brown, of Bedford, writes: "We are making a strong effort to begin, and on Saturday, January 16, we expect to organize, with a large crowd of children, both a Junior and Senior division."

And Oh, so many letters of inquiry asking for necessary supplies for organization have been received that this, so far, has been a Happy New Year in L. T. L. work. IDA M. MIX.

Alcohol is a poison. No substitute is necessary for it more than for cigarettes or arsenic. The most general stimulants where alcoholic prescriptions are used as a supposed stimulant is a few drops of aqua ammonia well diluted with water or red or black pepper tea. As a home remedy, ginger tea is excellent, where alcoholic preparations are often used; also a right use of a splendid substitute where alcohol, narcotics and tonics have been misused in the past. Only remember that hot water is soothing and is a sedative, and that cold water is a stimulant and a lasting tonic. The use of alcohol in all its forms is largely displaced by God's purifying liquid—pure water. Each disease, each stage of a disease, requires different care and different remedies. So we cannot wisely say any remedy is a substitute for alcohol in a certain disease.

HOMER J. HALL, M. D., Franklin, Ind.

The chief purposes for which alcohol or alcoholic liquors are recommended by writers and practitioners of medicine at the present time are to relieve pain, promote rest or sleep, and prevent failure of the heart and circulation of the blood in acute inflammatory and febrile diseases. It is true that by its anæsthetic or anodyne properties, when given in liberal doses, it relieves pain and promotes rest. It does so, not by removing the causes of pain or restlessness, but by so diminishing the sensibility of the brain and nerves as to render the patient unconscious of their existence, while the causes remain ready to renew their irritating effects as soon as the alcohol has ceased to act. Its relief is therefore not curative, but temporary and is more than counterbalanced by retarding the excretory action of the kidneys, liver and other eliminating structures of the body. Indeed, the only useful indication that the internal use of alcohol is capable of fulfilling is to temporarily quiet restlessness and relieve pain as an anæsthetic. But for that purpose we have so many other more active and efficient anæsthetic and anodyne remedies that there is no necessity for using alcohol or any kind of alcoholic liquor in the treatment of any form of disease.

PATENT AND COPYRIGHTED OR TRADE MARK MEDICINES FOR POPULAR USE—THE AMOUNT OF ALCOHOL THEY CONTAIN AND THE EVIL EFFECTS PRODUCED THEREBY.

Comparatively few persons outside of the medical profession and the wholesale drug manufacturers have any adequate knowledge concerning the enormous quantity of patented and trade mark medicines consumed by the people of this and other countries without the advice of a physician and without any reliable knowledge of their composition or effects on the living human body, either in health or under the influence of disease. They are purchased and taken more or less by all classes of people, and for every variety of disease, simply on the recommendation of the newspaper or hand-bill advertisements paid for by those who manufacture the drugs. It is no part of my present purpose to discuss either the quantity or quality of the patent and trade mark medicines prepared and advertised for popular use only so far as they contain alcohol in their composition. Careful and reliable chemical analysis has shown that nearly all the class of drugs under consideration contain a sufficient quantity of alcohol or some other narcotic drug to constitute the most active and important ingredient in the medicine. Those sold in liquid form nearly all contain alcohol, and those in the form of pills, powders or tablets generally contain either morphine, codeine, cocaine, caffeine, chloral, antipyrin, or some other coal tar preparation sufficient to cause a temporary soothing and exhilarating influence on the nervous system by which those taking them are made to think they are doing good. As fair examples of the liquid class of popular drugs the following list is given, with the percentage of alcohol each contains as determined by direct chemical analysis:

Green's Nervura, 17.2 per cent of alcohol; Hood's Sarsaparilla, 18.8; Schenck's Seaweed Tonic, 19.5; Brown's Iron Bitters, 19.7; Kaufman's Sulphur Bitters, 20.5; Paine's Celery Compound, 21.0; Burdock Blood Bitters, 25.2; Ayer's Sarsaparilla, 26.2; Warner's Safe Tonic Bitters, 37.7; Parker's Tonic, 41.6; Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, 44.3; Peruna, 21.5.

The last named in the list has only recently been put on the market as a tonic, and has been sold to many total abstainers as a non-alcoholic remedy, while it actually contains as much alcohol as the strongest wine. Many more specimens might be added to the list did our time permit, but the foregoing are sufficient, as it shows that such well known and extensively patronized drugs as Hostetter's Bitters, Warner's Safe Tonic, Ayer's Sarsaparilla and Paine's Celery Compound contain nearly as much alcohol as can be found in the average whisky and brandy of the ordinary saloons.

It is equally true that nearly all the liquid food preparations, such as Hoff's Malt, Malt Marrow, Beef Extract, etc., contain from two to ten per cent of alcohol, causing them to average quite as much as the beer direct from the brewery.

The manufacturers of all such foods and medicines add alcohol to them for two purposes. One is to prevent the materials from spoiling by fermentation and the other is to impart to them at least sufficient anesthetic or anodyne influence to cause the party taking them to feel quieted and somewhat exhilarated for one or two hours. This very brief period of ease or buoyancy is the same as that which follows a small drink of beer, wine or whisky, and though it continues only one or two hours, it is sufficient to create the impression that it is doing them good, and therefore they continue its use, and even increase the doses until they find their digestive organs and nervous system in such a condition that they can neither eat nor sleep without the aid of some preparation containing an anesthetic or opiate. For it is one of the immutable laws of nature that the internal use of such anesthetics and narcotics as alcohol, ether, cocaine, opiates and tobacco is followed by such sensations as call for both a repetition and increase of the dose, and they do this just as certainly when taken under the guise of patented or trade marked medicines or foods as when taken separately and without disguise.

It is well known that alcohol, when taken into the stomach either as a drink or a medicine, never undergoes digestion, but quickly passes into the blood, and with the blood into every tissue and organ of the body. It directly diminishes the sensibility of the brain and all nerve structures in proportion to the quantity taken. If the dose is small, the person taking it soon becomes less conscious of weariness, pain or depression, which generally continues about two hours and is followed by the same restless, tired and nervous condition that existed before, until another dose is taken. If the doses are repeated three or four times a day, the digestion of food is impaired and the constant presence of alcohol in the blood retards the natural molecular or metabolic changes constituting nutrition and secretion and impairs the protoplasm of which all living structures are made, and thereby renders the individual more liable to attacks of neuralgia, rheumatism, influenza, tuberculosis, pneumonia, infectious fevers and all mental disorders. Consequently let all who desire good health and a fair length of life avoid all so-called patent medicines, cordials, bitters, tonics, etc., as certainly as they avoid the daily use of beer, wine or whisky.

N. S. DAVIS, M. D., LL. D.,
Chicago, Dec. 30, 1903.

DONT'S.

Don't fail to read the report of the State Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication in State Minutes, and note if your Union reported work done.

Don't fail to read the report of the National Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication in National Minutes.

Don't fail to note what other States have done that we have not.

Don't fail to make up your mind that what other States can do Indiana can do also.

Don't fail to carry out State and National plan of work.

Don't fail to remember that it takes but about five minutes to fill out your report blank and only two cents postage to send same to your County or State Superintendent.

And please don't fail to send it.

If a meeting has been held on this department don't fail to send a report of it to the editor of the MESSAGE and to the Phalanx by first mail.

WHY SO MANY PREPARATIONS ARE SHORT LIVED.

It is one of the recognized requirements in the patent medicine field that a preparation to be put on the market must have the power to give an "immediate effect"—that is to say, that it must apparently give immediate relief. It is also well known in the patent medicine field that this "immediate" effect is obtained only by the use of poisonous drugs and alcohol, and that is why these poisons and weakening stimulants, dangerous to life and health, are so recklessly used in such preparations. The fact that they have only a temporary effect, leaving the patient weaker than before, explains why so many patent medicines are short-lived. Of the hundreds put on the market every year, it is almost impossible to name a single permanently successful one.—*Selected.*

Dr. Edmunds, of London, says: "A stimulant is that which gets strength out of a man."

"Be assured I am always glad to do all I can for our blessed hospital."—*Frances E. Willard.*

"O thou invisible spirit of wine, if thou hast no other name to be known by, let us call thee Devil."—*Shakespeare.*

"The W. C. T. U. has been circulating pamphlets calling attention to the alcohol in patent medicines. Good work."—*Alkaloidal Clinic.*

In the International Congress against alcohol, held at Bremen, in April, the causing of tuberculosis by alcohol was emphasized."—*Alkaloidal Clinic.*

Modern science has shown that those drugs which are soluble in alcohol only are, in all probability, more hurtful than useful.—*Dr. Noble, in London Times.*

The sleep from alcohol does not act as a mental tonic, but leaves the mind weakened next day.—*Dr. Furer, of Germany, before International Congress Against Alcohol.*

"May God's presence and blessing be upon each brain that plans for the National Temperance Hospital and upon every heart that holds it dear!"—*Frances E. Willard's benediction.*

The best nurses in the City of Chicago are trained in the Frances E. Willard National Temperance Hospital. When called out for special work they return loaded with compliments.

In my twenty years of practice I have not prescribed alcohol. I do not need it in my work.

Mrs. DR. JESSUP SMITH,
Former State Supt. Non-Alcoholics.

"The sensation of warmth produced by taking wine or brandy is delusive. The circulation is unbalanced and for a few moments there is a seeming increase of heat; but the thermometer shows a lessened temperature."—*Dr. Kellogg.*

"This very hospital is the latest milestone on the highway of progress in the American Temperance Reform. The conditions which have made its existence possible have developed in this country within about twelve years."—*Frances E. Willard at the opening of the hospital.*

Headquarters for Temperance Literature. Room 915 the Silversmiths Building, 131-137 Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Ill., in charge of Miss Addie A. Austin and Miss Ruby T. Gilbert. Send to these young women for supplies, leaflets, pictures, badges and other W. C. T. U. supplies. All orders will receive prompt attention.

To the Hadley Industrial School Mrs. R. C. Travis, of Elkhart, has sent a big barrel of nice clothing and a large box of canned fruit. These things were contributed by our generous friends of the Elkhart Woman's Relief Corps, King's Daughters and the W. C. T. U. Such expressions of interest in and love for God's dear children will bear fruit in abundance to her sweet-spirited givers.

Tincture of opium, known as laudanum, is given in doses (under the direction of a physician) of from 10 to 20 drops. About 20 drops of laudanum are equal to one grain of opium or one-sixth grain of morphine, or one teaspoon contains 120 drops of laudanum, being equal to six grains of opium or one grain of morphine. Camphorated tincture of opium, known as paregoric, is given to adults in one to four teaspoonfuls, the latter amount being equal to one grain of opium or one-sixth grain of morphine.

DR. BARWICK,
Wakarusa, Ind.

All material intended for publication in the MESSAGE must be in the editor's hands by the 18th of the month.

"For thirty-five years I have been priest and bishop in London, and I now approach my eightieth year, and have learned some lessons, and the best is this: The chief bar to the working of the Holy Spirit of God in men and women is intoxicating liquor. I know of no antagonist to the Good Spirit more direct, more subtle, more stealthy, more ubiquitous, than intoxicating drink."—*Cardinal Manning.*

A sample package of non-alcoholic leaflets has been sent to every Union in the State. Where new Superintendents have been appointed and reported to me, a special package has been sent to them. These leaflets contain valuable information and the public should have a chance to read them. Mrs. Allen, National Superintendent, has moved to 27 Broad st., Oneida, N. Y., so please take note and order from her at that point.

I never do, never have, and trust never will advise alcohol in any form as a tonic. The best tonic a patient can have in the spring, as I tell my patients, is the lungs full of fresh air. If the cost were \$5.00 a bottle instead of being provided so bountifully by our own beneficent Father, every one would want a bottle or more in the spring, and those who could not afford to buy it would deplore it greatly. I have long ago come to the conclusion that alcohol is not a food, but only a depressant.

DR. EVELYN HOEHNE,
Milwaukee.

FIELD NOTES.

Greensburg Union held a special Mercy and Help Department meeting recently at the home of Mrs. Dr. Wright, which was most interesting. A barrel of clothing will be sent to the Hadley School. The Union will invite the Mid-Year Executive meeting to Greensburg.

Deer Creek Union, West Branch, had a rare treat. Mrs. Sarah E. Thomas, Grant County's official delegate to the National Convention (also a member of Deer Creek Union), came to us laden with the good tidings fresh from the altar, and they were characterized throughout with a steadfastness of purpose that means nothing short of victory. Miss Ina Coggeshall, of Marion, was also present, and gave the famous reading that she delivered in the grand gold medal contest in Cincinnati.

Lapel and Fishersburg had the privilege of having Rev. Aaron Worth with them on the 28th and 29th. Like the characters in Dickens' novels, the name is an index to the man. His lectures are full of good things done up in attractive style and delivered to the people with the genial wit of the Irishman. Though his lectures are unmistakably third party prohibition lectures, many of the most radical members of the other parties pressed forward to shake hands with good brother Worth at the close of the meetings.

Howard County Union held an all-day meeting at the W. C. T. U. headquarters at Kokomo. There were in attendance thirty-two of our faithful women to discuss the County and State plans of work for the coming year, and the interest manifested in that meeting is proof sufficient that Howard is going to launch out into the work this year as never before. The forenoon was taken up with the work of the County Executive, the afternoon being devoted to the County Board of Superintendents. The ground was all covered, one department at a time, which brought forth many interesting discussions. The noon hour was enjoyed partaking of lunch and social conversation. When we adjourned we felt in our hearts we had been granted one more day's work for Jesus and that if it was His will we would serve another day.

The Greensburg W. C. T. U. held a reception at the home of Mrs. Mary DeWeese, on N. Franklin street. The affair was in compliment to Miss Floy Gilmore, who is Assistant Attorney General in the Philippines, and who, in former years, had assisted the Union as declaimer in temperance medal contests. In her pleasing manner Miss Gilmore showed that the women of foreign countries are slower than their American sisters in adopting professions and employments where they enter into direct competition with men. Woman's influence over man not a little accounts for our strength as a nation. The W. C. T. U. is for better homes, noble manhood and womanhood, higher ideals, purer thoughts and all that makes the world better for our having lived for God, and home, and humanity.

Mrs. Ella M. Kroft, the efficient President of Dearborn County, has organized a Junior L. T. L. at Guilford; also a Senior class which will soon be ready to graduate at Columbus. The Lawrenceburg Union opened a mission school in a neglected quarter of the town on January 23. Mrs. Brand was with this Union Sunday, January 17, and Mrs. Vayhinger on Sunday, January 24. They are women who feel the importance of the work. The Bright Union held a contest recently, and is doing excellent work. The Cold Springs Union held another contest the last of January, the third one this year. When the son of the President of this Union, who is an honorary member, read the call for 650 contests this year, he said, "We will hold six of them." Aurora had Mrs. Brand January 16. Moore's Hill has a great deal of work on hands for the year.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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STATE CONVENTION, OCTOBER, COLUMBUS, IND.

NATIONAL CONVENTION, NOVEMBER, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Sir Benjamin W. Richardson, the eminent English physician and surgeon, said: "I am recording a matter of personal history when I say that I, for one, had once no thought of alcohol except as a food. I thought it gave additional strength. I thought it enabled us to endure mental and bodily fatigue. I thought it cheered the heart and lifted up the mind into greater activity. I learned, step by step, that the true action of alcohol is to create paralysis of nervous power."

Abraham Lincoln said: "The liquor traffic is a cancer in society, eating out its vitals and threatening destruction and all attempts to regulate it will aggravate the evil. There must be no attempts to regulate the cancer, it must be eradicated; not a root must be left behind, for until this is done, all classes must continue in danger of becoming victims of strong drink."

The Northern Pacific Railway has recently decreed that any employe detected in the act of taking a drink, whether on or off duty, will be subject to instant dismissal from the service.

The new rule books of nearly all the railways entering Chicago contain the following or words to the same effect: "The use of intoxicants by employes while on duty is prohibited. Their habitual use or the frequenting of places where they are sold is sufficient cause for dismissal."

The close of the year finds Prohibition North Dakota in splendid condition. All the counties of the State, with five exceptions, have a comfortable amount of assets over liabilities and those counties have reduced their debts largely in the past year. All the counties have also a neat cash balance in all funds and warrants of 26 out of 39 counties are payable in cash on demand from all funds. It really looks as though a State might be able to worry along for a few years without the aid of saloon revenue.

THE DIFFERENT SYSTEMS.

The Pittsburg *Christian Advocate* makes a comparison between the condition of affairs in Georgia under license and in Kansas under prohibition, citing as illustrations of public opinion and social conditions in these States, the fact that Atlanta, Ga., has nine hundred saloons and disreputable houses, over seventy-five per cent of the buildings used for these purposes being owned by church members, and the other fact that in Kansas the Grand Lodge of Freemasons has decided that hereafter no person who rents buildings for use in selling liquor, or who in any way aids the traffic, may either become a Mason or remain a Mason in that State.

ABSTAIN OR GO TO JAIL.

Judge Pollard, of the Second District Police Court, St. Louis, is not only a man who thinks, but a man who acts. He recently had a printed form of oath to be subscribed to by men who have been convicted of drunkenness in his court.

Say the defendant's name is John Jones, and he has been convicted of disturbing the peace of Mehitabel Jones, and the judge has fined him \$50. The Court says: "Mr. Jones, I appreciate the fact that it would be a hardship on your family for you to pay this fine or go to the workhouse, yet I feel that you deserve to be punished. It appears clear to my mind that you have violated the law, because you were drunk. Your being drunk was a result of your fondness for intoxicating liquors. The proper punishment for you, therefore, is to enforce your abstinence for a certain period. Are you willing to quit drinking for a specified term on your own accord, or would you prefer to go to the workhouse and quit because you cannot get it?"

The prisoner naturally says that he had rather do without his glass and be free than be a prisoner and abstain. Then the judge produces a form and he signs it. The form is simply an oath that the signer will "touch not, take not," for a specified term.

UNCLE SAM ADMITS INCOMPETENCY.

While railroad and factory corporations and banking institutions can maintain sobriety on the part of their employes without running a saloon annex to their station houses and offices, Uncle Sam, with all his boasted military discipline, and all his carefulness in selecting men physically and mentally strong for his service, confesses his inability to keep them sober, unless he can open beer saloons in his forts and barracks, where his soldiers may obtain drink. Shame! —*National Advocate*.

Y. W. C. T. U.

Dear Girls—Before the MESSAGE reaches you your President will have received the Annual Year Book, compiled by Mrs. Clara Parrish Wright. Read it carefully, and especially the plan of work, which is fine. Some of the Unions take the 1904 Year Book for their evening's program for a local Union meeting.

I want to call your attention to the fact that Indiana's mark for contests this year is 650. Will you help in this work? Some intend, on Frances Willard's birthday or her home going, the 17th of February, to celebrate or observe it with a contest and make it a special time for securing members.

Not so many of our girls are paying dues this year, as many have other things in view, but plan your Y. W. C. T. U. dues along with other duties. We urge you to take pride in Indiana and see if each one of you cannot secure a new member. God is not going to bless us and give us new members if we do not work. He expects us to do our part.

Your Y. W. C. T. U. Secretary is ready now to visit and help your Union if you will send for her.

Word was sent to each Union December 1 to know what you would think of a mid-summer Y. W. C. T. U. conference, and so far Willard Y., of Terre Haute, and Anderson Y. think it would be very helpful. The Palmer Y., of Indianapolis, was asked to take the conference, but unless you let me know, dear girls, there will be nothing for them to take. When I ask you if you will co operate in my plans and do not hear, you see how hard it is for me and the heart aches it causes.

CLARA M. SEARS.

Although the fight against the demoralizing and ruinous effects of the use of alcohol as a medicine has been fierce and bitter, still it has maintained a strong hold upon the public and even the professional world. However, investigation has been prosecuted of late and many of the best thinkers and reasoners of the profession are seeing and appreciating the folly of employing an article which does not possess a single physiological property to establish its claims as a curative agent. While medical men do not appreciate the fact generally, I am convinced that the tyrant, public opinion and popular demand, has more to do with its employment than professional faith in its medicinal efficacy. It is agreeable to the average taker, and nothing pleases him more than a prescription of some alcoholic compound. Its effects are exhilarating and anaesthetic, producing a temporary sense of comfort and relief. Popular unprofessional opinion has declared it a great strengthener and builder and the physician who discredits its virtues and uses some really valuable agent in its stead, is in danger of abuse and loss of business. Others fall into the fashionable rut and use it because it seems a matter of course. I would urge members of the profession not to be so influenced, but think and reason and only employ it after careful consideration.

"In 1873 the first experiment was made with the Temperance Hospital, of London, and under the forced exclusion of alcohol the mortality rate was reduced to 6 per cent, much lower than any other hospital in London."

"The Frances Willard Hospital of Chicago and the Battle Creek Sanitarium, with many others, have demonstrated the same facts in this country. The Kane Summit Hospital has treated all manner of diseases and injuries with a far less death rate than surrounding hospitals. The surgeon in charge says: 'During the past three years I have performed more than 1,000 operations, a large portion upon cases of railroad injuries, one hundred for appendicitis and in none of these was alcohol administered in any form either before, during or after operation. I defy anyone who still adheres to the administration of alcohol, to show as good results; equally as gratifying results have been obtained with my medical cases, and I fail to understand how any observing and thinking physician can cling to so prejudicial a drug as alcohol when he has within his reach a multitude of valuable, exact and reliable methods for combating, governing and controlling disease.'" —*Dr. J. S. Kane, Dean of the Faculty, Medical Department, University of the South.*

IN CONGRESS.

The Hepburn-Dolliver interstate liquor act is to protect the people now enjoying freedom from the saloon, in prohibition territory, from having liquor shipped in by express companies, or otherwise, in original packages with the consent of the federal government.

The judiciary committee of the House of Representatives gave a hearing to those interested in the bill—one hour for its friends and its foes to present their claims. Rev. Edwin C. Dinwiddie, Legislative Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, was the first speaker, followed by Rev. James Cannon, Jr., editor of the *Christian Advocate*, of Richmond, Va.,

and Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis. Without any factitious attempt to stir emotion, Mrs. Ellis stirred every heart. She said:

"I represent the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, an organization of 300,000 Christian women of the United States, organized in every state and territory. Word has come to us from our members in all parts of the country in favor of this bill. From Kentucky, with 117 counties, covering two-thirds of the territory of the State under prohibition; from Texas, with 150 counties, equal to two-thirds of the State, under prohibition; from North Carolina, from Mississippi, from Tennessee and other states where the man who has deposited his ballot for the protection of his home, finds that despite his wish, certain persons from other states still carry on this nefarious traffic under the protection of interstate commerce laws."

Mrs. Ellis related how, while recently detained at the railroad station at Emporia, Va., she saw wagonload after wagonload of jugs of liquor brought from a neighboring saloon to be loaded on the train to be sent to prohibition towns in North Carolina. She was informed that a distiller in Emporia, but a short distance from the state line, was carrying on a regular business in North Carolina and was sending over about two wagon loads daily on an average and had sent 600 jugs the day before Christmas.

"It is against such infractions of protective laws," she said, "that we plead, and who has a better right to plead than the mothers of the nation for the protection of their sons—the women of the nation for the protection of their homes?"

The liquor representatives had no argument but 1,500,000 votes and wanted delay in action of committee—they got what they wanted. Another hearing will be given by the committee on March 3. This may mean defeat, because after that time there will be but little time for the passage of the bill by both houses of congress before the adjournment.

BIRTHDAY OF OUR NATIONAL PRESIDENT, MRS. LILLIAN M. N. STEVENS.

"Hail to our chief!" How many times over and how many miles over shall we hear these words caught up by one White Ribboner after another with the advent of March? "Hail to our Chief!" Lillian M. N. Stevens was our chief torch bearer then, when we walked through sorrow's lonely crypt; she is our chief leader now, and for the sake of that sacred then and this glorious now, we bid God bless her on this natal day. How we have gloried in the noble heights already attained by this life of high ideals and high achievements. How we rejoice in the added beauty and dignity of an added year. It will hardly be disputed that a shower of *Union Signal* subscriptions in honor of her birthday will be welcomed more heartily by our blessed chief than the most generous shower of "Hails!" Again we say, God bless her, and, with tiny Tim, we add, "God bless us every one."

EVA KILBRETH FOSTER.

The National Liquor Dealers' Association is establishing headquarters in Washington City. One of the ablest men of our land is employed with ten picked men to remain on the ground during sessions of our National Congress and to prevent, if possible, adverse legislation. Likewise ten picked men are to be selected to carry on the same work in each of the State legislatures.

In order to carry out these plans it is proposed to raise \$5,000,000. The assessment for the saloon keepers of New York City is \$750,000. Think of these vast sums of money to corrupt legislators and to oppose the will of the people! Surely the day approaches when a tremendous conflict will be upon us. Temperance people everywhere must organize. The W. C. T. U. should double her numbers; Prohibition alliances must increase everywhere. Young people should be educated to the impending necessity of united effort to overthrow the arch enemy of the race in this, to our mind, its last and most fearful struggle.

NOTICE.

Owing to poor health and multiplied cares, I was compelled to resign the office of County President and beg leave to inform the readers of the MESSAGE that Mrs. Stahl has been elected to that office.

E. A. WILLIS.

God never compromises with any wicked thing. His laws against evil are all prohibitory. Satan is the author of compromise. When men permit liquor selling for a money consideration—a license—they can not expect favor from God for themselves or their children. Every voter is responsible for the use he makes of his ballot. The license system means destruction to our homes, our churches and our country.

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MRS. LUELLA F. McWHIRTER, Editor,
Rosabower, Greencastle, Ind.

MARCH, 1904.

NEED OF INCREASED MEMBERSHIP.

At the National Convention Mrs. Rosa Blanchard, of Los Angeles, Cal., was introduced as the President of the largest Union in the world. It has 631 members. The W. C. T. U. membership of that county is 1,700. She said the gains were made largely by one woman, who, with literature and by personal solicitation, added constantly to their membership.

Now, when the liquor forces are organizing so strongly, is the time to seek members for the W. C. T. U. Get honorary members, too. We need them by the hundreds, yea, thousands, in Indiana. Send to our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hattie W. Brand, 1403 Ashland avenue, Indianapolis, for membership pledge cards. Get at least a hundred of them, and give them to members who are earnest workers and all together let us work in our State for increased membership. Every Christian man and woman should belong to some temperance organization, and most of them will do so if tactfully approached. Plead with them to come in and help us. We need the influence of their names and their dollars. If they can do no more than this urge them to help this much. Make the pastors and their wives honorary members by vote of the Union and send a committee to tell them of the pleasure it has been to thus extend a courtesy to them.

Every Union in Indiana must add new members. Some Unions could add five hundred members if they only set their minds to it. During March each Union should consider this very seriously and pass a resolution in regard to what it will endeavor to do in securing new members.

CONTESTS.

I trust you are all busy organizing classes, and that soon I may have a rush of orders for medals. Everything seems to be quiet at present, but knowing that "still waters run deep," I am hoping for better things in the near future. I want to tell you that I am informed that we (Indiana) are in the lead for the first quarter, and we want to keep up this record the remainder of the year, do we not? There is but one way to do this, and that is by untiring effort. Now see who will be first in ordering necessary supplies and start in to help win the banner. Let us pray for one another and help toward 650 contests in 1904.

MRS. CORA STEELE,
Muncie, Ind.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Elkhart Union held a very pleasant and helpful public meeting for the promotion of Sabbath observance at the hospitable home of Mrs. R. C. Travis. Mrs. Work, the President, presided, and Mrs. Atkins had charge of the devotional service, after which Mrs. Troxel read an excellent and well prepared article on "The Sabbath in Social Life." The gist of her paper was that the atmosphere of society is so saturated with the lax observance of the Sabbath that one needs bracing with the strong tonic of honest convictions. Society is not so much heartless as it is thoughtless. The whirl is incessant, and to break from one's social set and stand for principle calls for the decisive courage which gives birth to the martyrs and the patriot.

Miss Karnell spoke very interestingly of the Sunday newspapers from a biblical standpoint. She said instead of the Sabbath being a holy day of rest, it is a day of gaiety, entertainments and excursions.

"Sacred Days" was the subject dealt with most ably by Mrs. R. C. Travis. The holy day of the Greeks is Monday; Persians, Tuesday; Assyrians, Wednesday; Egyptians, Thursday; Turks, Friday; Jews and Adventists, Saturday and Sunday is the Lord's Day. There is more laxity in the observance of the Sabbath than any other holy day. It is said that if this laxity continues in a few years there will be no Sabbath observance. As long as the Sabbath is kept holy there can be no hope of destroying the Christian religion. Joseph Cook observed that the most eminent menace to self-government in this country is the open saloon coupled with Sabbath desecration. After the study refreshments were served by the hostess, Mrs. Travis is the County Superintendent of Elkhart County and through her untiring efforts Elkhart had the best report of any county in the State last year.

Dear Superintendents, it is not too early to begin planning for our Lord's Day week in April. Our lecturer, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, still has a few dates open in April. If you want to secure her services, write her at once before all dates are taken.

Let us unitedly work for the Lord's Day Congress to be held at St. Louis in connection with the Fair. Will send programs to superintendents as soon as they are printed. The Lord's Day leaflets are now ready for distribution, price ten cents per 100.

To the five County Superintendents sending in the best report of work done in the quarter ending March 15, I will give a year's subscription to the *American Sunday*, a small monthly magazine devoted to Sunday reform. The names of the successful ones will be announced in the MESSAGE.

KATIE WERT HOLLER,
State Superintendent.

THE PRESS.

I have been greatly encouraged and pleased by the many inquiries that have come to me during the past two months about the press work. I am so glad that the press work is being taken up so generally by able women and I shall of course expect full reports of much work done.

In a letter our National Press Superintendent, Mrs. M. B. Horning, of Evanston, Ill., says some things which I want to pass on to you:

"This will be a hard year for us, as a campaign year always is, but let us rush in our work early, before things get to boiling too hard in the presidential kettle. I again want to recommend the scrapbook plan. These books can be made very decorative and pretty. I would like the best in each State sent to me at the National Convention. The Silver Star was won by Kansas. It is longing to go east after so long a sojourn in the west. Will the east capture it?"

Now, I am hoping that after our State convention Indiana may send some splendid scrapbooks to the National Superintendent that will win the Silver Star for Indiana. Let us work to that end.

Plan for a press meeting at an early date and hold more than one if you can. The following subjects may be helpful in arranging a program:

"The Power of the Press." "The Duty of the Religious Press towards Temperance and Missions." "The Influence of the Religious Press to Unify the Church for the Annihilation of the Liquor Traffic."

Make friends with the editors and help them by giving them our news—good W. C. T. U. news and reports will be sought for and gladly received.

I wish that the Superintendents, both County and Local, who have not heard from me yet this year, would send me your name that I may send you leaflets which will be helpful to you in your work. They are yours for the asking, so send a card at once.

Not many reports came in for the last quarter, but I am expecting more the next and those of you who will report but once or twice during the year, will greatly oblige me by letting me know how many report blanks you will need for your county.

Upon the local workers depends our success very largely and of them we beg faithfulness, persistence and reports.

There are great possibilities in our work. We can "cast much bread upon the waters" which will sometime return to us freighted with victories of which we do not think or dream.

Let us make this the best year in the history of the W. C. T. U. for Indiana. Will you help?

MISS LAURA GENEVA CAMMACK,
State Superintendent.

LAW AND STATISTICS.

Because of the serious illness of my mother ever since the State convention I have been unable to send you greetings via the MESSAGE. I am anxious to bring to your thought this department, the business of which is to gather statistics of violations of law in your own neighborhood and make them known to the people affected by them. It is because the law breaking and the artifices resorted to by the saloon element are not generally known that there is so much indifference. If parents and the better class of people could be made to know and consider what is going on the careless indifference would be at an end. Let us make this a year of gathering these facts and giving them to your own public. Please write me freely. Give advice; suggest plans. Being new in the State Superintendents' ranks I shall doubtless make many mistakes. Bear with me. I'll serve you gladly the best I know, and every letter will be answered promptly to the best of my ability.

JENNIE W. STEPHENSON,
State Superintendent.

JAIL AND PRISON WORK.

When we think of so many that are within our jails and prisons and so few that are willing to carry the gospel to them, it seems to me we ought to do more ardent work and try to get others interested. In the past year alone there has been a total of over 2000 prisoners in the work-house of our own city—Indianapolis. At least two-thirds of these were prisoners on account of strong drink.

Drunkenness in Indiana was greater in 1903 than in 1902, according to the reports of the sheriffs of the different counties. The total number of "drunks" harbored in the jails in 1903, was 12,394 and in 1902, 11,866. Of the total number admitted in 1903, 11,304 were whites and 590 colored. There were 32 boys and 7 girls under the age of 16 years; 9,564 men and 501

women from 16 to 50 years; 1,891 men and 16 women were over 50 years old. Of the remaining 383 the age is unknown. From one sheriff comes the report that one man admitted on account of drunkenness was 104 years old.

My dear sisters, you see by these statistics that if we are our brother's keeper we have a great opportunity of doing much good in the name of the Master. I pray that you will all buckle on the whole armour and be filled with the Holy Spirit, that we may be real soul winners for Christ.

Dear Superintendents, I will send blanks March and September, to all counties reported to me in the past year. If those who did not report will send me the name of a county or local worker I will gladly furnish them with blanks. So be sure to do all we can for the Master.

I desire a report of all the work done, so that I may report it at the State Convention.

MRS. ELLEN DAVIS,
State Superintendent.

TO COUNTY PRESIDENTS.

The 1904 W. C. T. U. Institute program is out in the form of an eight page booklet bearing some very interesting advertisements of our literature. The counties generally fill this program with the names of those who are to take part and publish it in one or more issues of local and county papers, and then use the program of subjects only furnished by the State for distribution at the Institute. Another good way is to republish the program entirely with the names of those on duly printed in. The first plan, however, has proven quite satisfactory, and especially so from the standpoint of a saving of funds to the county treasury. All County Presidents have been furnished with a copy of the program, and all who desire a number of copies for distribution at the spring Institutes requested to send a card so stating at once to the State Superintendent, addressed as below, and the programs will be forwarded, postpaid. In writing please state also whether sample copies of our periodicals, such as the *Union Signal*, *American Motherhood*, etc., can be used to advantage in the Institute. If they can, some of these will also be sent to you free of cost. Write carefully the address to which you wish them and the programs sent. If the matter of the address is not fully settled, send a card at once expressing your wishes and send the address later, as soon as known.

Superintendents throughout the State are invited to correspond with County Presidents and arrange to furnish sample packages of their literature for distribution at Institutes. This is an excellent way to push department work. With all good wishes for the work and workers I await your reply.

MARY HADLEY HALL,
285 East Jefferson St., Franklin, Ind.

FLOWER MISSION.

In the last issue of the MESSAGE under this subject, is given information concerning the literature of this department and where to secure it. I hope that each superintendent will send for sample copies as suggested. It was also asked that each county superintendent send to me her name and address. As yet there are several counties whose superintendents are unknown to me. So if some one in the following counties will send me the name and address of her County Superintendent of Flower Mission I shall greatly appreciate the favor: Allen, Carroll, Cass, Clay, Floyd, Franklin, Hamilton, Marshall, Whitney. Or if there are no County Superintendents, I desire the names of the local superintendents. And while I am communicating with you, let me suggest a plan which came to me through Mrs. Brand: That we distribute flower-seeds among the poor early this spring, so that they may cover the barren spots and inspire a love for the beautiful.

MISS LUELLA S. McWHIRTER,
State Superintendent.

NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION. (Received too late for supplement.)

The human race is ever looking for a panacea for its ills, physical, mental and spiritual. Instead of going to the one who created and appointed the labor of each separate organ of the body and asking for the panacea, it has hunted through the vegetable and mineral kingdoms and brought out in every way known to chemistry the different elements in these kingdoms and applied them in some way to man's supposed needs. By a misuse of one of God's gifts to men, through the process of distillation, was found this supposed panacea for which chemists had searched ever since the curious Pandoro had opened the mysterious box and poured its contents of disease and trouble upon the earth.

The alcohol produced by distillation was found to be very powerful in its effects and physicians at once prescribed it for all diseases of mind and body. For decades King Alcohol held full sway over the medical profession, and the temperance reform is set back many years because of this blunder among physicians.

Many good people to-day think prohibition of the manufacture of alcoholic liquors would be a calamity, because we must have it for a medicine. They are asking, "what would we use in its place?" So it is very important that this information be placed in their hands. Here is something not easily understood. People all understand and admit that whisky, which is about 25 or 40 per cent alcohol, has the power to create appetite for alcoholic drinks and leads

to drunkenness. Yet they do not seem to understand that Jamaica Ginger, which has more than twice as much alcohol in it as whisky has; Peruna, which has about the same per cent of alcohol that whisky has; and Warner's Safe Tonic Bitters, which has more alcohol than the whisky usually sold in the saloon has, all have this same power to create appetite and lead to drunkenness.

If a child, by draining the sweetened drugs of the wine cup, the wine containing 15 per cent of alcohol, or by drinking what is left is the glass of beer, the beer containing 5 per cent of alcohol, can cultivate a taste for alcoholic drinks and become a drunkard, why can not a child, who drinks cider after it is two days old and contains 5 per cent of alcohol, or who takes a whisky toddy for a cold, form the same appetite? What is there in the human body that makes the difference in effect whether we take it as a medicine or as a beverage?

The medical profession has seen it mistake and the doctors who have the real good of the people at heart are doing all in their power to undo the wrongs which have been fastened upon us by that mistake. When the thought that alcohol is necessary as a medicine is removed from the minds of the people, one of the greatest hindrances to the cause of prohibition will have been removed.

The information must be brought to the young doctors in rural districts as well as in the cities, so I hope every county in Indiana will accept Mrs. Whitson's offer to send out leaflets to the doctors if the counties will pay the postage and let's work this department for all there is in it this year.

CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

TEMPERANCE LITERATURE.

It is a very easy matter for State Superintendents to devise plans for the work of their departments, but the plans are not worth the paper they are written on unless the local Unions lend their co-operation in making them effective. The problem in temperance reform to-day is to overcome the apathy and indifference of our rank and file. We don the white ribbon as the emblem of our antagonism to the liquor traffic, accept a position of responsibility in the army and then do nothing and are too indifferent to even answer a letter concerning the work. Of course there are scores of loyal women in the W. C. T. U. who are heroic in their self-sacrifice and untiring in their zeal who are ready at all times to answer, "Here am I; what wilt thou have me do?" but their number is too few. Every State worker knows what it means to give thought and prayer in devising some plans to advance the cause, then send out the plan to local workers and receive no reply of any character from 90 per cent of the local Unions. No greater blessing could befall our work than to have each local Union devote an entire meeting to a discussion of this difficulty and a resolution to change the situation so far as they are concerned.

We expect to make this a great year in the work of the Temperance Literature Department, but we must have your co-operation, dear County and Local Superintendents. We want to secure 1,000 new subscribers to the *Union Signal*. We can in no way keep in touch with the work so effectively as by taking and reading the national paper. The State officers have planned to put 1,000 copies each of "At the Mercy of the State" and "Who Killed Joe's Baby?" in the State. Both of these are full of good points we want brought before the people, and cannot fail to help our cause. The reply to the "Committee of Fifty" is ready for distribution, and it is very important that the State should be sown broadcast with this article. It should at least be in the hands of every teacher and educator in the State. These can be had from Mrs. Hattie W. Brand, 1403 Ashland avenue, Indianapolis, for \$2.00 per 100, prepaid, or single copies 5 cents each.

Now, dear Superintendents, let us keep a record of all literature distributed, and not only, keep a record but report it, for we want the best report of any year in the history of the work.

MRS. GERTRUDE MORROW,
State Superintendent.
2807 Bellefontaine St., Indianapolis, Ind.

NOTICE.

You have read, no doubt, the "Convention's Reply to the Committee of Fifty," as great effort has been made to spread it on the pages of our publications, namely, the *Union Signal*, the *Message* and the *Phalanx*. Now the reply to the unjustifiable attack of the Committee of Fifty upon the temperance educational work of the public school, prepared by Miss Hunt and her advisory board, will soon be brought into our State for general distribution and we hope to have a hearty co-operation from you. Consult with your local Superintendents and presidents and plan for a wise, judicious and general placing of this pamphlet. It should be in the hands of Superintendents of public schools, principals and teachers, trustees of townships, local and county superintendents of scientific temperance, ministers, doctors and even others. The State has ordered 1,000 copies of the complete Reply as a beginning and we hope to have money and enthusiasm enough to order 10,000 more. These can be had for \$2.00 per hundred. Let us make haste to be about our Master's business. MATTIE CAMMACK GIBSON.

Items from the local Unions, concisely written on postal cards, will be greatly appreciated.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

March 13th will be the next temperance lesson in our International Sunday School lessons.

Some reasons why temperance should be definitely and persistently taught in the Sunday School:

1. Because distinctly taught in the Bible Truths, having prominence in the Word should be emphasized in the teaching of it.
2. Because of such practical importance, so many lives being wrecked and destroyed for lack of knowledge on this subject.
3. Because the majority in the schools are in their most impressionable period. Rev. M. L. Butler, of the Muskogee Methodist church, in a recent sermon, said that he learned while serving on the grand jury that eighty per cent of the cases on trial were under 23 years of age and that seventy-five per cent were illiterate. A very large majority of Christians are converted under 21.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Following is the Treasurer's report for the quarter including October, November and December:

RECEIPTS.	
Balance from last year.....	\$9.00
Local convention fund.....	22.50
Thank offerings.....	9.78
Industrial School (forwarded before).....	10.00
Industrial School.....	1.00
Sale of anti-cigarette and tobacco cards.....	3.50
Sale of other literature.....	2.20
Returned Superintendents' appropriations.....	7.09
Returned on premium lecture from Dearborn County.....	4.10
Returned from Hartford City on expenses of general officers.....	6.00
From Superintendent of Franchise on MESSAGE	1.00
For life membership, Mrs. Harriet Steckle.....	25.00
Collection at State convention.....	43.14
Contest receipts at State convention.....	50.00
Sale of badges at State convention.....	14.50
Return check from Central Passenger Association.....	11.00
For water fountain at St. Louis, from Francesville.....	4.50
L. T. L. dues.....	3.80
L. T. L. graduates' dues.....	1.60
County dues in trust.....	9.95
Dues from 925 members at 65 cents each.....	604.05
Dues from 3 Y. members at 65 cents each.....	1.95
Dues from 7 Y. members at 40 cents each.....	2.80
Extra subscriptions for MESSAGE.....	4.25
Total receipts.....	\$855.14
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Mrs. Lenore Lake, lecture at State convention	\$30.00
Expenses of entertaining general officers.....	6.15
Expenses of President to State convention.....	1.00
Expenses of Cor. Secretary to State convention	6.40
Expenses of Vice President to State convention	3.90
Expenses of Rec. Secretary to State convention	1.65
Expenses of Treasurer to State convention.....	5.75
Badges for State convention.....	11.50
Two books for premiums.....	2.50
Convention fund credited to Hartford returned	.50
Dues returned Henry County.....	1.05
Convention fund to Hartford City.....	20.00
Corresponding Secretary for organization.....	30.00
Expense of sending out Annual Reports.....	1.32
Printing, postal cards, letter heads, reports, national badges and Treasurer's books.....	112.20
L. T. L. State Secretary's dues (too late to count last year).....	1.10
L. T. L. State Secretary's dues.....	.80
President—Expenses to National convention...	21.25
Postage, express, car fare.....	6.29
Appropriation for November.....	12.50
Vice-President—Two premium lectures.....	5.00
Corresponding Secretary—Postage.....	14.50
Car fare, telegrams and express.....	2.60
Appropriation for November.....	31.25
Recording Secretary—Field work.....	3.28
Postage, telephone, express.....	3.13
Editing column in Phalanx.....	10.00
Appropriation for November.....	9.90
Treasurer—Express on stationery, books and blanks.....	.85
Envelopes and postage.....	12.60
Rubber bands, letter file, pens.....	1.50
Appropriation for November.....	18.75
Superintendent of Transportation—Trip to Cincinnati.....	5.70
Stamps, printing, telephone, car fare.....	4.60
Editor—Telegrams, telephone, postage.....	2.78
MESSAGE for November, December, January and February.....	25.00
State Y. Secretary—Dues too late to count last year.....	1.40
Dues 10 Ys.....	2.00
Mrs. Hall, expenses to Industrial School.....	1.95
To treasurer of Board of Management of Industrial School.....	1.00
Printing MESSAGE November, December and January.....	193.50
National Treasurer—Dues Ws., 925.....	92.50
Ys., 10.....	1.00
L. T. Ls., 16.....	.80
L. T. Ls. (too late to count last year).....	1.40
Total expenses.....	\$836.48
Balance.....	\$20.66

IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO STATE, COUNTY, AND LOCAL UNIONS.

The reply to the Physiological Sub-Committee of the Committee of Fifty, adopted by the last National Convention and 50,000 copies ordered printed, is now ready for distribution and I ask every member of our organization to read carefully and then act on the following plan for distribution which I suggest:

Four points about the Report of the Sub-Committee of the Committee of Fifty should be very definitely borne in mind:

1. That the Report upon temperance education in the public schools is an unwarranted attack upon the work that is the foundation and hope of all our temperance work.
3. That the gist of the report is a subtle condoning of moderate drinking.

2. That the report contains inaccuracies and misrepresentations that many people will accept simply because of their confidence in the official position of many of the members of the Committee of Fifty unless we point out to them these inaccuracies and misrepresentations.

4. That the Report is being placed in public libraries, is being sent to ministers in prohibition States and is being recommended by opponents of our present system of temperance education for school libraries where it will be accessible to teachers and pupils. In view of the above facts, it is evident that there should be a diligent study in our own ranks of the Reply to the Committee of Fifty, and an equally diligent effort to secure a wide reading of the Reply.

The following plan is therefore earnestly recommended:

The State Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction or State Woman's Christian Temperance Union organization should send the Reply to the Governor and members of the legislature, to all state educational officials, to presidents and professors in universities, colleges, normal schools and medical schools and a copy of each to the local unions, urging them to supply it to the persons assigned below to local unions.

The County Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction or County Woman's Christian Temperance Union should order and send the reply to all county school officials; should send copies to the leading county papers and request the publication of at least the abstract which will be furnished for that purpose; should distribute copies at county teachers' institute and medical society meetings as some teachers and physicians may be reached in that way as in no other; should arrange for its distribution in towns where there is no local union.

The Local Union should order and send or give the Reply to school officials, ministers, clergymen, lawyers and business men and place a copy in each public, church and school library. If possible, give a copy to each teacher in the public schools. If this cannot be done, at least give the teachers a copy of the Resolutions on this subject, passed by the last National Convention. A program, based on the Reply, has been prepared and should be used by the local Union for one of its regular meetings or for a parlor or public meeting. This will aid in the study of the Reply. Unions in college or normal school towns, should try to furnish a copy of the Reply to each student, or at least to each member of the senior class, as I find that the report of the Committee of Fifty is being quoted to these young people as the most authoritative book on the alcohol question.

The literature named above can, in some cases, be obtained from the State officers, or may be ordered from the National Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction, 23 Trull street, Boston, Mass., at the following prices: Complete Reply, 5 cents per copy, 40 cents per dozen, \$2 per hundred, \$16 per thousand; Resolutions, 25 cents per hundred, \$2 per thousand; Program, with accompanying leaflets, including one copy of Reply, 10 cents.

Let me urge that State, County and Local Unions give this matter their prompt attention, so that the people in your State may have the very important information that this Reply will bring them; not only in refutation of the unjust criticisms of temperance education, which the report of the Committee of Fifty contains, but also in the facts about the effects of alcohol brought out by the Reply in its discussion of the different papers contained in the report of the Committee of Fifty.

The liquor traffic is taxing every bottle, jug and barrel of liquor for funds for its "educational campaign." Anyone who reads the daily and weekly papers carefully can see how these funds are being used to deceive and confuse the people as to the real nature and effects of alcoholic drinks. This Reply to the Committee of Fifty contains splendid material for an "educational campaign" for the truth.

Now is the time to use it effectively.

MRS. MARY H. HUNT.

The liquor traffic is responsible for most of the crime in Chicago. Whisky ought to be wiped from the face of the earth.—Justice Dooley.

All letters and communications concerning subscriptions to the MESSAGE should be sent to the State Treasurer, Miss Alice Palmer, Franklin, Ind. In her hands are all subscription lists. She makes all corrections and attends to every detail concerning the mailing of the MESSAGE. Letters sent to the editor are always forwarded to Miss Palmer.

MARION COUNTY NEWS ITEMS.

Mrs. Ada B. Leck, Marion County president, Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, State Corresponding Secretary, and Dr. Rebecca Rogers George, furnished the W. C. T. U. program temperance afternoon in Indianapolis Local Council of Women, Tuesday, January 5. Mrs. Brand was asked to deliver her lecture before the National Convention, to be held in Indianapolis in February.

At the regular meeting of Broad Ripple Union five visitors, guests of Mrs. Kelso, president of the Union, were present. Addresses were made by Mrs. H. W. Brand and Mrs. Ada B. Leck. Tencopies each of the books, "At the Mercy of the State" and "Who Killed Joe's Baby," were taken by this small but active Union.

The Board of Department Superintendents of Marion County held a temperance watch meeting January 31, in the Third Christian Church, of Indianapolis. The superintendents were assisted by Dr. Newman, pastor of the church, Mrs. H. W. Brand, William Clark, editor of the *Phalanx*, Rev. W. W. Criley, of the First English Lutheran Church, Prohibition Alliance Quartette and others. After 11 p. m. lunch, Mrs. Ellen Davis conducted the praise service.

CALL FOR MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE.

The Mid-Year Executive Committee meeting will be held at Greensburg, Ind., April 7 and 8. The vote of the convention last year was to hold the Department Board meeting at the same time and place. We trust every County President in the State will attend the Executive Committee. Let us come together praying that the Holy Spirit will lead in every action taken and that we may be more zealous for the Lord's work.

CULLA J. VAYHINGER,
Moore's Hill, Ind.

MR. FREDERICK.

Mr. J. George Frederick, a well known writer for *McClure's*, *Success* and other magazines, attended the National W. C. T. U. Convention in Cincinnati and was introduced by Miss Gordon as the State Secretary of the Pennsylvania Loyal Temperance Legion. His brief address won him many admirers, not so much on account of his youth and growing reputation as a writer, as on account of his sincere earnestness in advocating the temperance movement. He was engaged to make a tour in the interest of the L. T. L. in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. He has recently given his valuable services for two evenings in Greencastle, Ind., speaking in two of the churches and before the Prohibition Alliance, the membership of which include many high school boys and young college men. In emphasizing the responsibility of the ballot, he spoke with a persuasive earnestness most unusual.

Mr. Frederick is a thinker and speaker of rare ability and magnetic enthusiasm, which win for him close attention. Our temperance hosts may well be encouraged when such young men bear our standards.

FIELD NOTES.

Evansville is to have another L. T. L. soon.

Shugart Union, Grant County, will entertain the Institute.

Mrs. Maria Weed, of Chicago, is to be in Indiana from March 25 to April 18.

Marion Central Union will send a barrel for the rummage sale for our Industrial School.

By recent analysis, the widely advertised patent medicine "Paw Paw" is found to contain 20.9 per cent alcohol.

Martinsville Union has a beautiful new Year Book. Much excellent work is being done by the membership.

Warsaw has organized a Union of ten members and held a grand gold contest; paid all expenses and money over for the treasurer.

Amboy Union recently had three lectures on Physical Righteousness by Mrs. Dr. Bush, of Anderson. These talks were very practical and much appreciated by the ladies of Amboy.

Francesville, Pulaski county, is the first Union to send a contribution for the ice water fountain at St. Louis Exposition. The State Treasurer has received \$4.30 from this Union for that purpose.

Mrs. Hattie W. Brand, our State Corresponding Secretary, recently visited Aurora, where she spoke to a large audience on Sunday evening in the Baptist Church. On March 4th she is invited to return. The W. C. T. U. Union at Aurora is taking on new life.

Our members have moved as follows: Mrs. McCartney from Deputy to Scottsburg, Mrs. Burton from Warsaw to 716 Aspinwald avenue, Elkhart, Miss Belle Winter from Martinsville to Anderson, Mrs. M. A. Carr from Greencastle to Oakland City, Gibson County.

Mrs. Jennie Ward, the County L. T. L. Secretary of Dearborn County, has organized two Legions, one at Guilford, one at Lawrenceburg and has the third one almost ready for organization. I tell you, County Secretaries, you will have to look out, or Dearborn County will come in first this year.

Our State Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hattie Brand, needs extra copies of the MESSAGE for March, April, May, July, October, November, December, 1899; March, May, July, August, December

1900; March, July, 1901; August, September, October, 1902. She will greatly appreciate the kindness of any one sending one or more copies.

Miss Belle Kearney will make a tour of our State from April 3 to 28. The Unions cannot fail to interest the public if they secure such speakers as Miss Kearney. She will not put the friends of the Union in an apologetic attitude. She is forceful, magnetic and cultured.

Lawrenceburg Union, on Saturday, January 23, opened an Industrial school in the basement of the Presbyterian church. Mrs. Jennie Ward, of Guilford, County Board Secretary of the L. T. L., was present in the afternoon and organized a Loyal Temperance Legion, with Master Paul Wencks as President.

Mr. and Mrs. Ridgeway, of Amboy, will attend the World's Sunday School Convention at Jerusalem. They will also visit the most interesting parts of the three Eastern continents, besides spending seventeen days in Palestine. We feel assured that Mrs. Ridgeway will wear the little bow of ribbon white in all lands at all times.

Liberty. Mrs. Elizabeth is nowhere better loved and admired than at her old home at Liberty. Recently she attended a Silver Medal contest there and made one of her characteristic speeches, which delighted the audience. The medal, on this occasion, was won by Faith Gordon, whose mother was recently called to her heavenly home. She was laid away with the White Ribbon on her breast.

It has never been decided which Union has secured the largest number of honorary members from State Convention, 1902, till the books closed September, 1903. The Treasurer has obtained a copy of "Alcohol, a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine" as a reward for this Union and if the competing Unions will send in number of honorary members belonging to their respective societies and secured within specified time, to Miss Palmer, at Franklin, the book will be sent the winning Union.

The fifth anniversary of the Indianapolis Frances E. Willard W. C. T. U. was celebrated at the home of Mrs. Moore, January 12. Mrs. Leck, past President, read a paper on the organization of the Union five years ago, in Hall Place church, with only seven members, now having over forty. Rev. Vest, pastor of Hall Place church, gave a talk on Frances Willard and her life work. A solo by Mrs. Keffer, music and other interesting items, the generous hospitality of Mrs. Moore, one of our members, was enjoyed by all new members added to our number.

Kokomo Loyal Temperance Legion has lost one of its most earnest members in the death of our loyal Assistant Secretary, Sister Mabel Thomas. She was always true to her convictions for the right, kind, gentle and loving, sympathetic toward the sorrowing and needy, a good worker in our Union. We all sympathize deeply with our bereaved Brother Thomas, his son, Lloyd, age 9 years, our Junior L. T. L. President, and daughter Mary, age 7, who is one of our faithful little workers. May we all be inspired with the lessons her life has taught and follow that way.

Gas City Union, under the leadership of its faithful President, has set about helping to gain the 1,000 new members, the latest addition being Miss Frances Willard Bassett, of Bridgeton, N. J. We felt that our roll was decorated by the charmed given name. We welcome our young sister gladly. The Sabbath Observance Department, assisted by the good citizens, made an effort for better city government. A petition to that effect circulated by the W. C. T. U. was numerously signed by the voters. This agitation was the outcome of Sunday evening mass meetings held by the Union.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Vice-President of the W. C. T. U. in Indiana, began a series of lectures on non-alcoholic medication in Indianapolis and vicinity January 20, under the auspices of the Marion County Unions. Mrs. Stanley, in giving her first lecture, so pleased Mr. Nelson, pastor of the Pentecostal Tabernacle, that he offered the use of his chapel to W. C. T. U. women at any time. Mrs. Stanley gave the recitation, "Who Killed Joe's Baby," for the young ladies living in the Bertha Ballard Home, Wednesday evening. Much is expected from Mrs. Stanley's visit to Indianapolis.

Ready money is required right away to make the girls at the Hadley Industrial School comfortable this cold weather and to pay bills for groceries, coal and other absolute necessities. Will the sisters please remember that we have accepted this trust for this year. It is no light matter to appoint trustees to do what we cannot do in person, or do not want to do, and then leave them to struggle as they may with a gigantic problem. The W. C. T. U. has never done that as a body since it has been responsible for this school. Let us each have some part in Christ's beatitude, "It is more blessed to give than to receive," as touching this sacred obligation.

Hartsville Union held a Silver Medal contest on January 19, in the Christian church. There were six contestants: Mrs. M. Cummins, Miss Ella Beam, Mrs. Ruth Philipy, Mrs. Hal White, Mrs. R. Craig and Mrs. Mary Galbraith. The medal was awarded to Mrs. Ruth Philipy. We had most excellent music, a full house and a highly appreciative audience. We are anticipating a gala day in June, when Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer will be with us. We are arrang-

ing a box for Hadley Home; also our annual contribution. Our Union has a wide-awake membership of 28. The minister of the Christian Church, Rev. Shoemith, is an honorary member and is truly an honor to our Union, as well as a source of great help.

A Mishawaka daily paper says: Those who braved the cold and went to the A. C. A. assembly hall last evening were treated to a splendid lecture on temperance by Mrs. E. L. Calkins, formerly of Mishawaka, now W. C. T. U. officer of Kalamazoo, Mich. Temperance lectures, as a rule, are considered dry, but those who missed the address by Mrs. Calkins missed a treat in oratory. She is a brilliant, forceful and interesting speaker and a great student in the cause she has espoused. Names were taken after the address of ladies who desired to become members of the Mishawaka W. C. T. U. A meeting was announced for next Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. T. Perkins, West First street, when the society will be fully organized and officers elected. The meeting adjourned with the benediction by Rev. F. A. Lankin. Mrs. C. Holler, a State worker, and other W. C. T. U. officers, were present.

Guilford Union. I am glad Dearborn County can greet the readers of the MESSAGE with the report of a new Junior L. T. L., organized at Guilford, the home of the County Secretary, December 27, 1903, too late to be reported in the January MESSAGE. This Legion is in charge of two of our best members of the W. C. T. U., Mrs. Mary Hammel and Mrs. Ella Kroft, our County President. The officers are as follows: President, Ruth Kroft; Vice-President, Goldie Shields; Secretary, Lucy Ward; Treasurer, Minette Ward. We hope to have the Seniors organized soon. Now as this is to be a special work with the Indiana W. C. T. U. this year we should have a Legion for each Union in the County. May the Lord lay this work on the heart of every woman who reads this and help each one who wears the "Bow of white" to feel a personal responsibility is my earnest prayer. Guilford Union voted to furnish supplies for her child, the Loyal Temperance Legion, for the first quarter, thus giving it a good start in life, helping it until it "can stand alone." Our local Superintendent of S. T. I. (also our County Superintendent) is planning a meeting for the County, to be held in the near future, inviting all the schools. It will be an all-day meeting. It is hoped by this meeting to arouse an interest in the teaching of S. T. I. in the schools.

JENNIE WARD,
Press Superintendent.

The Frances Willard Union celebrated its fifth anniversary Tuesday, January 12, at the home of Mrs. Moore, Senate avenue, north, in Indianapolis. This Union was organized by Mrs. Ada B. Leck, President of Marion County, with seven charter members. It now has 46 regular and 9 honorary members. Dr. Vest, pastor of Hall Place M. E. Church, gave an address on the life and work of Frances Willard. He spoke of her own unassuming manner and of the impression she made upon himself and six hundred fellow students, the first and only time he met her. The loyal, loving, faithful hearts of W. C. T. U. women, who are carrying on the work she so loved, were, he thought the most precious monument that could be raised to perpetuate her memory. Dr. Vest spoke warmly of the department plan of work and of the splendid organization of the W. C. T. U. Mrs. Leck spoke of the work done by this Union in the last five years; told of her love for it and of its birth in prayer. Mrs. Estella Bennett, President of the Union, spoke of the work the Union hopes to accomplish in the coming year. Good music was furnished by the young women of Willard Union. Refreshments were served during the social hour following the program. Two new members were secured.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, State Vice-President and lecturer, has just completed a nine days' tour through Marion, Hendricks and Johnson Counties, lecturing on the subject of Non-Alcoholic Medication. Mrs. Stanley is brilliant and effective. She gave most excellent satisfaction. Many have said, "It's the best speech I ever heard." The continued rain, followed by the worst blizzard of the season, kept many at home. Those who braved the storm felt well paid for going out. Mrs. Stanley addressed the Municipal 400 in Franklin on this subject. Dr. Hall says of her speech, "It is one of the best, if not the very best, that has been given before that body during its fight against, and the closing up of every saloon in Franklin." Mrs. Stanley will return in February for other lectures on this subject. She has been engaged by the temperance committee of Western Yearly Meetings for many dates on this same subject. She gave us nine days' work and made sixteen speeches. No County or Union will make a mistake in engaging Mrs. Stanley for a series of lectures on the subject of Non-Alcoholic Medication. Every Union and church needs this work presented. Pick up any of the Indianapolis dailies, your county papers, and yes, your church papers and count the square inches given for liquor advertisements in the form of patent medicines, nearly every one of which contains more alcohol than does beer. If no alcohol, then some other dangerous drug that should not be used. I am greatly pleased because of the rapid awakening on this subject throughout the State, but many Unions are not awakened up yet. Dear sister, is it your Union? If so, send for Mrs. Stanley to help you. Write to her for terms and dates. Address her at Liberty, Ind.

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ONE YEAR'S WORK.

An exchange furnishes the following as representing the yearly supply of food for the whisky fiend: 5,000 suicides; 10,000 murders; 60,000 fallen girls; 100,000 paupers; 3,000 murdered wives; 40,000 widowed mothers; 100,000 orphaned children; 100,000 insane; 100,000 criminals; 100,000 drunkards who die yearly; 100,000 boys who take the place of the dying drunkards. Untold crimes, misery, woe, want, weeping, waiting, war, shame, disgrace, disease, degradation, debauchery, destruction, death, riot, revelry, ruin and \$2,000,000,000 in money.

AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S FLAG.

As Australia is the first country in the world to endow its women with national suffrage and the right to sit in the National Parliament, the Woman's Federal Political Association of Victoria proposes to adopt a symbol to commemorate the event. Just as the establishment of the Commonwealth of Australia was signalized by the selection of a Commonwealth flag, so the association has decided to have an Australian Women's flag, which will be displayed at all important gatherings in Australia, and will be sent to the International Congress of Women, and to the Second International Woman Suffrage Conference, to be held in Berlin in June next. It is proposed also to have this flag floating somewhere at the World's Fair in St. Louis.

All White Ribboners should have the *Union Signal* as a regular weekly visitor in their homes. Our Indiana Unions must not only be loyal to our own national official organ, but must be generous. Send in subscriptions. Those of you who know its value, tell your membership, urge all to subscribe. Send names of subscribers and money to the *Union Signal*, Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill.

THE TEMPERANCE QUESTION IN GERMANY.

An interesting communication concerning the growth of temperance sentiment in Germany from United States Consul Deidrich, at Bremen, to Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, of Boston, has just been forwarded the latter by the State Department at Washington.

Referring to the results of Mrs. Hunt's presence at the International Anti-Alcoholic Congress in Bremen last April, which she attended in response to the German request to President Roosevelt that she there represent the American Scientific Temperance Instruction movement, Consul Deidrich sends her the following article from a Berlin paper, which will be of interest to readers in this country. The article, in reviewing a complete biography of recent German literature on the drink question lately issued, says:

"Considering the newness of the propaganda in the Fatherland, the output is enormous.

"There is a total of 871 books printed in the German language dealing with the temperance question, written by 413 different authors and practically all published since the year 1880, the greater portion of them since 1890.

"Besides this, there are now 37 newspapers, magazines and annuals published in German devoted to the temperance question.

"The temperance reformation in Germany has had such a recent beginning and the supposed German repugnance to total abstinence is so well grounded, it is really difficult to comprehend the full meaning of this vast array of literature in the German tongue.

"The evidence is clear that the people of Germany have taken up the alcohol question with an energy excelled by no other people on the face of the earth. Good Templar lodges are multiplying every year. The Blue Cross has spread all over the empire.

"The Imperial Health Office at Berlin is sending out elaborate literature against the use of alcohol as a beverage. Count Douglas, the brother-in-law of the Emperor, is one of the foremost temperance reformers in the country and day after day the *Journal of the Imperial Parliament* has contained pages of his arguments against drink. Leading lights in German universities are also leaders in the new reform.

"Plans are being matured for a German temperance exhibit at the coming St. Louis Exposition.

"The kindly personal interest taken in the scientific temperance propaganda of Mrs. Hunt by the German Empress shows how the anxiety about drink has reached the upper strata of German society. What nation on earth can furnish a parallel of the late Bremen Congress, when 1,500 people sat for four days to discuss the drink peril. What a deep unrest it must be that causes nearly a thousand different books to be dumped into a single language on a single topic within twenty-five years! And who can measure the effect?

"Germany has passed the first stage of the reform—that of moderation. Abstinence is now the general

cry and with a decided squint toward legislation, both remedial and preventive. At the present swift rate, the reform may have complete Prohibition for its watchword in ten years more."



MRS. HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND,
Corresponding Secretary Indiana W. C. T. U.

GOOD CHEER FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ORGANIZATION.

In spite of the severity of the winter, work in the department of organization has gone steadily forward. By the unanimous action of the State convention we determined to increase the power of the Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance Union by making a net gain of one thousand members. I know your hearts were cheered when the news went out that the State Treasurer's books showed a gain of 174 members at the close of the first quarter. The treasurer reports that dues are coming in for the March quarter, and the many hopeful letters lead us to expect a good gain. Letters were sent to every Union in the State, urging them to strive for a gain of five members by the close of the March quarter. Some will fail; others will make larger gains. Up to this time Greencastle Union has made the largest gain, and the report comes that South Bend and Bluffton are striving not for five, but for fifty new members. One of the States which made the largest gain in membership in 1902 accomplished it by this plan of gaining five in each Union. And dear, local presidents, if you did not make the gain in the March quarter, will you not strive more prayerfully and earnestly to succeed in time for the June report? We believe this could be done in many unions by the careful collection of dues from women whose names are on your membership roll, but who are not members because their dues are unpaid.

Our plan for organized counties is that they shall have at least six unions with a paid membership of not less than ten. Mrs. Emily McIntosh, President of Allen County, is the first to bring her county up to this standard of six Unions. In December she organized the Victory Union, near Edgerton, and in February the New Haven Union. The treasurer's report in the Minutes shows that there are thirteen counties in the State having four or five Unions each, and letters from most of the presidents indicate that they will make a special effort to come up to the standard of six Unions.

Then there is a list of counties in which there is but one Union or none at all. In this unorganized territory we are putting forth special effort, and how happy I am to tell you that Ripley County, where last year we did not have a single member, now has three good unions, with two more in sight in the near future. And Clarke County, which has been in the unorganized list for years, now has three new Unions and county officers. The old Union at Jeffersonville has made large gains and preparations are made for another Union. Green County, which was in the unorganized list, also has a new Union at Bloomfield, and Kosciusko a Union at Warsaw.

Now that the winter is past and the Institute work about to begin, we are looking forward to large gains, and we urge every member in the State to make a strong pull for victories during the coming three months, April, May and June. They are the most favorable months in the year for pushing organizations and holding public meetings. We have, perhaps, never had so many important measures before us as crowded into this year: The Hepburn-Dolliver bill,

the Reply to the Committee of Fifty, the expulsion of Apostle Smoot from the United States Senate and the passage of an Anti-Polygamy Amendment to the Constitution of the United States. Then, too, we are working steadily toward Statutory Prohibition for Indiana. Let us bear in mind, dear workers, that a doubled membership in Indiana means double power to bring all these things to pass. The following is a list of our new Unions:

Victor Union, Allen County, organized by Mrs. Emily McIntosh; President, Mrs. Della Rush, Edgerton, Ind.

New Haven Union, Allen County, organized by Mrs. Emily McIntosh; President, Mrs. Celia Bowers, New Haven.

Versailles Union, Ripley County, organized by Mrs. Culla Vayhinger; President, Mrs. William Bennett, Versailles.

Osgood Union, Ripley County, organized by Mrs. Culla Vayhinger; President, Mrs. Irene Harsch, Osgood, Ind.

Batesville Union, Ripley County, organized by Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, Batesville, Ind.

Morgantown, Morgan County, organized by Mrs. Culla Vayhinger; President, Mrs. Florence Cantsey, Morgantown, Ind.

Trafalgar Union, Johnson County, organized by Mrs. Culla Vayhinger; President, Mrs. Lida Minglin, Trafalgar, Ind.

Charlestown Union, Clarke County, organized by Mrs. Culla Vayhinger; President, Mrs. J. W. Comely, Charlestown, Ind.

Utica Union, Clarke County, organized by Mrs. Culla Vayhinger; President, Mrs. Eliza Bottorff, Charlestown, R. F. D., Ind.

Henryville Union, Clarke County, organized by Miss Culla Vayhinger; President, Mrs. S. J. Cross, Henryville, Ind.

Brazil Y, Clay County, organized by Miss Lillie LaDrew; President, Margaret Rector, Brazil, Ind.

Bloomfield Union, Green County, organized by Miss Alice Palmer; President, Mrs. W. H. Wylie, Bloomfield, Ind.

Liberty Center, Wells County, organized by Mrs. Dr. Goodwin; President, Mrs. Fannie Garrett, Liberty Center, Ind.

Warsaw Union, Kosciusko County, organized by Miss Alice Hayward; President, Mrs. Mary E. Wilson, Warsaw, Ind.

Have learned indirectly of two other Unions, but they have not been formally reported. We hope to have them in the next list published.

MRS. HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND.

ATTENTION, SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

"Should the same pupils of the Sunday School sign the pledge each year?"

No; if you have a record showing that they have signed the pledge—if not, begin again and be more systematic. It is because of the haphazard way we have had of signing the pledge and keeping no record that has caused us to lose interest in this department. Follow the suggestions given in the circular letter and you will find the interest awakened in this line of work.

Get the Wall Pledge Rolls and transcribe each name upon it and frame, then you will have a record you can keep and you'll know when the work is done well enough. Remember Indiana's aim is 50,000 pledges signed this year.

Give Family Pledge Rolls to each family whose every member has signed the pledge.

Get the "Teaching Points" for each Temperance Sunday and give to all the teachers of the Sunday Schools.

If possible, have copies of the *Crusader Monthly* distributed each Temperance Sunday. Where the school has a library, endeavor to put into it these books: "Who Killed Joe's Baby?" "At the Mercy of the State" and "Two."

Have an interesting program for each Temperance Sunday and you will have an excellent report at the end of the year.

LIDA OUTLAND,

State Superintendent.

L. T. L. STATE CONVENTION.

The Indiana Senior Loyal Temperance Legion State Convention will be held on Friday, June 17, 1904, at Marion, Indiana. After much thought and careful and prayerful consideration of the matter, we have come to the conclusion that Indiana needs an L. T. L. State Convention during the summer time when the Legioners are out of school and can attend. We are very anxious that the convention be well attended and ask every secretary to keep the matter before her Legion from now on, at every meeting.

EDITH HILLIS,

State President.

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MRS. LUELLA F. McWHIRTER, Editor,
Rosabower, Greencastle, Ind.

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A Temperance Newspaper should be in every Christian home.

Every Man and woman who professes interest in the temperance cause should be a member of a temperance organization. Be sure and extend an invitation, cordial and earnest, to all such persons to join the W. C. T. U.

Superintendents of a Departments who do not answer promptly all letters sent to them are not living up to the standard of an officer in our blessed cause. A postal card will nearly always suffice to answer direct questions. Promptness counts more than much else in official business.

County Presidents who are prompt in all their correspondence and in keeping all engagements inspire the constituency to like action. Be prompt. Be business like.

The Indiana Mid-Year meeting will be held at Greensburg April 7 and 8. Most generous hospitality will be extended to all those who attend. Every County President should be present during the entire meeting; her expenses to be met by the county. The nearby unions should arrange to attend the meetings if possible. This mid-year meeting will wonderfully benefit all those unions represented. All State Superintendents of Departments are expected to be in attendance and a most enjoyable entertainment is being arranged by the President, Mrs. Lou E. Rall.

At Philadelphia next November will be held the National W. C. T. U. Convention. Now is the time to decide that you will go and begin to talk to your husband about going with you. Arrange also to take your son or daughter with you if possible. We hope to arrange so that railroad tickets will be good going via one route and returning via another, thus giving opportunity for seeing and probably visiting different cities in the East. Gauge your plans from now on so that you can attend the great National W. C. T. U. Convention at Philadelphia.

Now is the time for energetic activity among the W. C. T. U. Unions. The liquor traffic is raising a \$5,000,000 defense fund with which to control all temperance legislation in the national Congress and in the State Legislatures during this year. This fund is being raised by a self imposed tax upon the wholesalers and the retailers by the payment of a few cents extra on each bottle, keg or barrel of goods bought. Able legal talent is being secured to work for the interests of the liquor dealers. Their organization is gaining in power and influence. The crisis is coming. Our forces must be organized stronger and better than ever. It is not enough to have two score Christian women in a Union in a county seat town. We must have women and men by the hundreds. Presidents and workers in county seat towns should discuss the need of the hour; lay plans for enlisting our Christian women and men for aggressive warfare. From our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hattie W. Brand, 1403 Ashland avenue, Indianapolis, get membership cards. Give these to the best loved, most discreet women of the Union and urge them to make a canvass of their churches for members. We must have the help and influence of the Christian men. Seek them. Tell them how much we need them. Immediately arrange for an evening parlor meeting and invite them. Urge the necessity of law enforcement in your community. You will have strong support by the people. Awake, W. C. T. U.! The liquor traffic has felt your power and has organized for warfare. It is backed by millions. You must look to God for leadership.

A BIG MEETING.

Many Bluffton people met the State Vice-President, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Markley, at the Six Mile Union meeting. Mrs. Stanley spoke on Non-Alcoholic Medicine and Anti-Narcotics; which she discussed in her usual effective manner and strong argument on alcohol upon the human system. The meeting was very pleasant and helpful. At 7:30 o'clock all collected at Six Mile church to listen again

to Mrs. Stanley, who held her audience spell-bound for an hour and fifteen minutes in her strong appeal for the people to be honest and true to their best convictions. Along the line of the legalized liquor traffic, Mrs. D. A. Walmer, in her brilliant manner, and who always gives satisfaction, recited "Dot Little Boy Fritz." Mrs. Stanley will speak in the Presbyterian Church next Sunday morning. Good music will be furnished for each of these services. Sunday she will be at Poneto in the M. E. Church.

MRS. ARAMINTA BELLE HAWKES,
Wells County Press Superintendent.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, State Vice President and lecturer, with the President of Wells County, has just completed a week's tour of the county. Mrs. Stanley lectured on the different departments of the W. C. T. U. work, her chief subject being "Non-Alcoholic Medication," and an urgent appeal for the extermination of the legalized liquor traffic, in which she gave most excellent satisfaction. Many who took the time to hear her agree with Dr. Hall, of the municipal Four Hundred in Franklin, who said, "It is one of the best, if not the best lecture or speech I ever heard and it is true. God never compromised with any wicked thing; his laws against evil are all prohibitory. Satan is the author of compromise." The county president, Mrs. D. A. Walmer, is much encouraged over the week's work, thirty new members having been added to the county, many of them being men, who are honorary members to the W. C. T. U. Our county president is deserving of much praise for her faithfulness and untiring effort she is putting forth in the county in behalf of the temperance movement and much is expected from Mrs. Stanley's visit to the county.

YOUNG WOMEN.

Last year I asked the Y's. of the United States for \$360 to pay for an interpreter for Miss Kara Smart, our White Ribbon missionary in Japan, and they gave it. Now I am asking them for \$500 for this year, because the \$360 was not adequate to cover all the outlay. Did your Union have a part in this great work, dear comrades? If so, I want to thank you, and if, for any reason, you could not help then, I want to ask if you will not make an especial effort to do so this year?



CLARA PARRISH WRIGHT,
National Secretary Y. W. C. T. U.

From the reports of Miss Smart's work in the Union Signal and State papers you have learned that her opportunities are unparalleled, simply unheard of. Yet, wonderful as they are, you and I may reap with her, if we are faithful to our opportunity, the opportunity of furnishing a part of the gold that will make it possible for her to enter every open door.

You know the plan: That each one of the thousand local Y. societies shall observe Mrs. Barnes' birthday (April 14) by giving a "world's" entertainment, and send the proceeds to Mrs. Mary Campbell Wells, 520 East 2d avenue, Monmouth, Ill., who is custodian of the fund.

Mrs. Barnes herself has prepared a fine program for this meeting. You will find it on page 23 of the National Y. Year Book. If you have already given it, have a medal contest (for books, medals and full information concerning contests address Mrs. Adelia E. Carmen, 287 Oakley boulevard, Chicago, Ill.), or give "At the White Queen's Court," to be had of Miss Ruby I. Gilbert, 915 The Silversmiths' Building, 131-137 Wabash avenue, Chicago, Ill. In case you give Mrs. Barnes' program you will need a copy of the 1903 World's Y. Report (in truth, you need it in all your work), which you may have by sending to me at Paris, Ill., enclosing two 2 cent stamps.

Dear young women, shall we not, by concerted action, make this the most inspiring red letter day in all our history? I believe you will stand by me in the carrying out of these plans, and that "\$500 for missions" will be your cry. CLARA PARRISH WRIGHT, Paris, Ill. Gen. Sec. Y. W. Branch World's W. C. T. U.

Y. W. C. T. U.

Marion County has another Y with Mrs. Zetta Keffer, 1508 Senate avenue, Indianapolis, President.

Brazil Y held a meeting the 9th of March and elected a new president and treasurer. They are working and taking a good interest in the gymnasium. Oxford Ys have a new secretary, Mrs. Emily Wilson. We trust the girls will help her hold up the Temperance Union in Oxford.

Better prospects for Y work this year than for several years. Let each County Y. Secretary do her best now to organize one or more Unions in her County.

Remember now, girls, the letter sent out to local unions in regard to observing the Red Letter Day, April 14, Mrs. Frances J. Barnes, when a free-will offering will be taken for our missionary, Miss Kara Smart, of Japan.

Who will make the greatest gain in membership, in active or honorary this year?

Treasurers, begin to collect and talk about dues for June 15. See how many new members you can secure by June 15.

CLARA M. SEARS,
Y. W. C. T. U. Secretary.

HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

The Hadley Industrial School has not had to contend with the afflictions of last winter, having thus far escaped measles, mumps, scarlet fever and spinal meningitis, which caused such suffering last year. Nevertheless we have had our discomforts and distresses, some of which have been very trying. It is no easy task to care for a family of thirty, even under the most favorable circumstances, but in addition to the cold, hard winter we have had a trial with our heating and cooking implements that has tested the utmost patience of our natures. The Board decided that, cost what it would, the furnace must be repaired. It proved not to be so great an undertaking or expense as we feared. Only a hole two or three inches wide and six or seven inches long in the lining between the fire chamber and hot air chamber. While it was being repaired a check came from one of the Unions that more than covered the expense. This money was raised by holding a medal contest. We wish to thank all of the dear sisters and the Unions who have sent us donations.

The old Board served faithfully seven years, at least the President did, and wore herself out doing it, and I would add to the list of saints St. Lucretia on account of her devotion to this work.

The ineffectual attempts to secure a farmer who would prove to be just the right person in every respect were many. At last such a person was found. He came, but the vast amount of work and lack of necessary farming implements, and no money to purchase them with, discouraged him, and he notified the Board of his resignation.

The Board is now holding the second rummage sale this winter to raise money to pay the coal bills. The President gets up early and goes out into the cold, builds a fire in a cold store room, and works till late at night to provide this money for the home. The members of the Board leave their homes when it seems almost impossible to do so and come here to look after affairs. All that can be done they are trying to do. Will you help all in your power?

I must not forget to say that our matron, who so faithfully serves in the culinary department, is suffering from a severe cold and deep seated cough, which we are hoping will, under better conditions, give way, and that the approach of spring, with warmer weather, will stop the coughing so prevalent in the Home.

For the encouragement of all, I will say that the girls have made marked improvement in deportment and an advancement in their studies, and they are longing to get back into the school room, which we hope they will do Monday, February 21. There are one or two artists among the pupils, and the ingenuity they showed in getting up valentines was quite gratifying. We had a market basket full to give out. One was a lovely work apron. The girls are doing fancy work this week. Last week we had a sewing school and did considerable mending. Some of the girls showed considerable proficiency. We have a variety of talent and accomplishments. Quite a number play the piano well and are never so happy as when practicing their music. The Lord has so helped us that we have continued cheerful through all of these adverse circumstances, for which we praise him sincerely and continually.

P. S.—Everybody is requested to solicit dried fruit for the Home.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

On my retirement from the active board of Hadley Industrial School I was honored by being made an advisory member.

I am glad of this, as my interest has in no wise abated. I still agonize over its meager support, knowing the impossibility of making it what it should be without a cash basis, making prompt payments to all employees and all purchases made. I believe there are one thousand women in our State who will willingly give one dollar each toward making this school a success. I have spoke to several and in each case the response has come, "I will be one of the thousand." Let each union appoint one of its members to collect this money and send it to Mrs. Hattie Chandler, who is treasurer of the Hadley School Board. Her address is Mooresville, Ind., R. F. D. This school receives the approval of all good citizens and many who are not members of our W. C. T. U. will contribute if properly approached.

LUCRETIA HOBART.

A SUGGESTIVE PROGRAM FOR APRIL PRAYER WEEK.

Singing from leaflet No. 68, "Oh, Sabbath, 'Tis of Thee."

Responsive reading, leaflet No. 99.

Prayer.

Singing, "One Day in Seven." Leaflet No. 68.

Original paper, "Sabbath Desecration." Some suggestions may be found in leaflet No. 1.

Five minute talks on the following subjects:

a. How to make the Sabbath a delight to the children.

b. Is crime increased by Sabbath breaking?

c. Relation between Sabbath observance and temperance.

d. Benefits of Sabbath observance in general.

Song, "Remember the Sabbath." Leaflet No. 68.

KATIE WERT HOLLER,
State and Asso. Nat. Supt. Sabbath Observance.

WORLD'S FAIR.

For the first time in the history of Expositions the temperance cause is receiving the prominence it deserves, and is listed with other prominent topics. We have an Exhibit and International Congress on Temperance, W. C. T. U. Days, pictures of prominent W. C. T. U. women in some of the State Buildings, Flower Mission Day, June 9, the distribution of flowers and text cards by the Flower Mission Department on some of the State days, and a beautiful Ice Water Fountain.

The Exhibit is to occupy a space 15 x 18 feet in the Social Economy Department and is to have charts, pictures and drawings to illustrate the work we are doing.

The International Congress is to be from October 10 to 15 inclusive and participated in by the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America, the Independent Order of Good Templars and the W. C. T. U. W. C. T. U. days will be October 12 and 13, when we will also have our part in the International Congress and wear our white ribbons upon the grounds.

The Ice Water Fountain is to be placed in a conspicuous position between the Varied Industries and the Manufacturers' Building. It is only a few feet from the waterway, the main walk of the Exposition, and opposite the beautiful cascades. It is to be almost in the shadow of the Figure of Peace which surmounts the Louisiana Purchase Monument. Is to be made of bronze, 8 feet high, the figure of a woman holding a lily. It is to furnish ice water. It is to be modeled by Miss Elsie Ward, of New York, formerly of Missouri. The figure of the woman stands on a pedestal decorated with lilies, symbolic of purity. From a lily on each of the four corners opens a epigot out of which the water will flow. In the base and pedestal there has been an attempt to give an appearance of lightness and grace and yet withal an appearance of strength adequate to carry the burden imposed. The style is French Renaissance and the effort has been made throughout, in ornamentation and in general effect, to keep the fountain simple, refined and strong. It is to cost \$3,000 00.

The report of a Vice Syndicate, which has been copied by many religious and temperance papers, has not the least shadow of truth in it. A St. Louis woman made a remark that the keeper of an immoral house had said something of this kind. This was picked up by sensational press and exaggerated. The woman referred to, whom I know very well, says over her own signature: "I am in a position to know as much about a Vice Syndicate as any one in St. Louis. If there is one in St. Louis, I know nothing of it. I do not believe there is any Vice Syndicate in St. Louis."

The municipal and exposition officials, as well as the Christian people, are doing much to reduce vice to a minimum. The W. C. T. U. has a Purity Department and a Rescue Department in active operation. Women wearing badges will be at the station to help unprotected girls. Of these the Deaconesses and the Salvation Army women are uniformed. Eight thousand letters have gone to as many Unions, showing local women how girls can be protected and this is our plan: Women's societies of St. Louis have banded together and secured cheap respectable boarding houses for innocent working girls coming to the city. If girls will inquire of the badged women at the station they will direct them to these homes. The work of the local Unions is to secure the circulars containing the names and addresses of these organizations and give them to girls coming to the city. We have not secured these boarding houses for our own women; they are such houses as are offered by the Salvation Army and are only for innocent working girls who need a refuge while seeking employment. If our women all over the United States, after reading this article, will visit the stations, meeting out-going trains bound for St. Louis and will seek out girls coming here and tell them there is safety only in asking questions of women at the station wearing badges, or of police officers, much unhappiness may be averted.

The St. Louis W. C. T. U. have done all this work without one dollar coming to them outside of the State. The Christian people are wide awake and are doing all that is possible to protect strangers from harm. It is much better for the press and for Christian people to inform girls of places where they can get reliable information and respectable boarding than to raise a hue and cry over an utter falsehood. That there is much evil in St. Louis cannot be denied; we wish we could truthfully say there is not an immoral resort in St. Louis, but we all know in any large city, as well as small ones, there are evil people ready to commit evil deeds. What we want to do is to protect the innocent girls and this we believe we will be able to do. No girl can enter the Union Station, and inquire of the badged women without receiving good advice and we ask the White Ribboners everywhere to circulate this information. Get it put in the local papers. Place dodgers in the stations, churches and all public places. It is not safe to trust strangers, whether they be men or women, unless they wear a badge representing some society or a policeman's uniform.

MRS. E. B. INGALLS, St. Louis, Mo.
National W. C. T. U. Commissioner for World's Fair.

FAIRS AND OPEN AIR MEETINGS.

The months are fast hastening. Only a few weeks more until our out-door meetings will have begun. It has been stated that over half of the population of

the United States live in rural districts. To reach this class we must go to them where they are to be found in large numbers, namely, at the meetings they arrange, reunions, picnics, Fourth of July celebrations, etc. And if one of our speakers is to have a place on the program, application must be made early, before the official program is arranged. It is absolutely necessary to have a superintendent in every county, so that the time and place for these meetings may be known, so as to apply to the managers for a place for a W. C. T. U. speaker, a medal contest or prize essay. A superintendent should study the special needs of her locality. If physicians prescribe alcohol as a remedy, then have non-alcoholic medication discussed. If scientific temperance instruction is neglected in the schools, have your speaker talk along that line. It is not too soon to apply to the Agricultural Board for space on the fair ground. Use your influence to elevate the moral tone of fairs; look carefully after the illegal sale of liquor, gambling devices and the sale or distribution of impure literature. Indiana has a law relative to the above; see to its enforcement. Make this department a source of revenue by fitting up check rooms, rest rooms, serve lunch, all of which bring you in close touch with people who are willing to pay for the accommodation furnished. Keep membership cards on hand and have an abundance of literature to distribute.

Increased membership is the rally cry of this department. All prizes this year will be awarded for the largest number of new members secured, in addition to the reports which accompany the cards returned. Honorary members count in all contests. Mrs. Guild, National Superintendent of this department, has offered a cash prize of five dollars to the State reporting the largest number of Senior L. T. L. members engaged during the year in work at fairs and open air meetings. A cash prize of five dollars to the State sending in the best report of open air meetings, over thirty, held in the State. The national banner will be presented to the State securing the largest number of new paid members during the year. Indiana stands a close second in the Nation for open air meeting, and in the number of members secured. This should be an inspiration. With a thorough organization in every county at least 500 new members can be gained by this department in 1904. Send to me for department cards; twenty-five cents per one hundred. Department leaflet No. 202 has valuable suggestions. I want to tell you that Indiana was the first State to introduce W. C. T. U. work at State and County fairs, originating in the fertile brain of Josephine R. Nichols. This claim must be disproved before we give it up. I have searched diligently to find out what State first adopted this department. According to my best information it was our beloved Indiana. Lovingly I appeal to every county and local superintendent to urge the work of this department. Begin work at once and enlist more workers. If new superintendents have been appointed, do not fail to notify me. Ours is a wonderful field; let us enter it and labor more earnestly, more faithfully, more prayerfully.

MRS. ADA B. LECK,
State Superintendent.

"Blessed Are Ye That Sow Beside All Waters."

A CALL TO PRAYER FOR A BETTER OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH.

April 10 to 17 will be the 26th annual World's Week of Prayer for the better observance of the Christian Sabbath, the wider dissemination of its inestimable blessings, and its more general observance as the Lord's Day. We do not need to urge its importance. Even those who do not recognize our Lord Christ acknowledge the social and economical value of Sunday rest.

We do not need to say that the Christian Sabbath is seriously threatened, or to enumerate the evidence of this fact. Mammon worship and selfish pleasure seeking, the mad haste to get rich quick and the insane rush for the spectacular and the sensationally exciting, the anxiety to drown conscience and have a "good time," all conspire to make Sunday rest, and still more, Sabbath devotion, increasingly difficult. It sometimes seems as if the highest product of human character and genius had joined hands with the lowest instincts of human nature—greed, selfishness, Godlessness—in a conspiracy to rob man of earth's brightest and best day—the weekly rest day.

Let prayer be offered daily, in public and private, and as far as possible let there be at least one public service in the sanctuary devoted to the presentation of the theme of the Lord's Day, and repeating the suggestion of last year. Let three definite results be sought: First, A higher standard of Sabbath keeping among Christians. Second, Release of as many as possible from Sunday toil. Third, Discontinuance of Sunday amusements, especially Sunday excursions and games. Remember, if we agree as touching anything that we shall ask it shall be done for us. The Lord is not slack concerning His promises.

KATIE WERT HOLLER,
South Bend, State Superintendent.

Miss Palmer, our State Treasurer, was in the field two weeks in February and secured thirty-two active and sixteen honorary members, also two active for Franklin Union this month; organized a small union of seven members at Bloomfield; at seven parlor meetings, and in four public addresses she gave emphatic attention to Scientific Temperance Instruction.

MRS. ADA WALLACE UNRUH'S DATES IN INDIANA.

April—Thursday 14 and Friday 15, Delaware County, Institute at Avondale. Saturday 16, lecture at Fairview. Sunday 17, Blackford County, lecture at Hartford City. Monday 18 and Tuesday 19, Blackford County, Institute at Montpelier. Wednesday 20, Blackford County, lecture at Roll. Thursday 21 and Friday 22, Jay County, Institute at Red Key. Sunday 24, Madison County, lecture at Anderson. Monday 25 and Tuesday 26, Madison County, Institute at Elwood. Wednesday 27, Madison County, lecture at Elwood. Thursday 28 and Friday 29, Wabash County, Institute at Wabash.

May—Sunday 1, Huntington County, lecture at Huntington. Monday 2 and Tuesday 3, Huntington County, Institute at Roanoke. Wednesday 4, Huntington County, lecture at Markle. Thursday 5 and Friday 6, Wells County, Institute at Bluffton.

This east half of section 2, which was for a time without a leader, has been fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. Ada Wallace Unruh, of Oregon, formerly of Indiana, in her passage through our State. We regret that a few other calls for her cannot be answered, as she had accepted dates elsewhere before the requests were received. Indiana knows Mrs. Unruh and appreciates her and always gives her a warm welcome. No white ribboner within the bounds of her meetings can afford to miss them.

The Institute schedule for the remaining sections of the State is well under way. Correspondence with section leaders should continue. Let those entrusted with it be as prompt as possible. If there are other counties that want sample copies of periodicals or want programs, they are requested to report soon (see March Message) to the Superintendent.

The spring institutes will soon begin and they can and will be a success in proportion to the amount of individual effort expended. In every county the work of planning and arranging is largely given to a committee. If you are a member of that committee you should do all possible to help. If you are not a member of that committee then consider yourself a committee of one to advertise and to announce the meetings, to tell of the good things on the program. This you can do. You can do it while attending to your daily duties.

How?

By sending postals a week or two in advance to ten friends urging them to arrange to attend.

By sending notes by the children to friends.

By explaining fully the importance of the Institute to the boys and girls and asking them to tell their teachers and furnish them copies of the Institute program and pictures of the workers expected to show their teachers.

By announcing the Institute at all social church meetings and explaining how much of interest will be on the program.

By carefully explaining all about the Institute to your pastor and wife when you invite them to dine with you. Tell them of the great plan whereby the numerous phases of reform work carried on by the W. C. T. U. is presented in our Institutes. Show them the pictures of our temperance leaders. Thus seek that co-operation that only comes from interest.

To Subscribers: If you wish your address on the MESSAGE changed please send the undersigned your present address, your future address and the time when your subscription expires. If you wish the address changed for next month please send this information, clearly written, before the twentieth of the current month. This is the only way to secure promptness and satisfaction.

ALICE RUTH PALMER,
State Treasurer, 398 Kentucky street, Franklin Ind.

WORK AMONG SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

We have conceived the idea of furnishing the Indiana Battleship with Comfort Bags, which will require about 450 bags. Now, if each local Union will do just a little, make a few well filled comfort bags, the required number can easily be furnished. I understand the Indiana is in the navy yards undergoing repairs and will not join the fleet before next fall. This will give us ample time for our work.

Be sure that the bags are well filled, as they cannot be used, unless they are. When completed send them prepaid to Mrs. Ella M. Thacher Florence, New Jersey, but be sure and report the number made to us, otherwise you will receive no credit in State work.

I have offered a premium to the County sending the greatest number of well filled bags.

DIRECTIONS FOR MAKING COMFORT BAGS.

Make of Cretonne or Table Oilcloth, line with red cotton flannel, and bind with blue braid; dimensions, 20 inches long by 7 inches wide, pointed at one end. Three pockets, lower one 3 inches deep, containing 2 spools of coarse thread, white and black. Second, 4 inches deep, containing needles, pins, buttons, tape, court plaster, scissors, comb, beeswax, safety pins, darning cotton. Third pocket, testament, pledge card, leaflets and personal letter.

JULIA OVERMAN,
State Superintendent.

Greensburg Union has published a beautiful Annual Calendar. The cover page contains a picture of Miss Willard in gilt.

Have Sabbath Pledge Signing in Your Sunday Schools on April 10 or 17.

SUMMER ASSEMBLIES.

Mrs. Balch, president of the Tri-State Assembly Union at Island Park, has her plans and program matured for W. C. T. U. day. The Assembly opens July 20 and closes August 12. W. C. T. U. day is August 3 and the night of the second if the Assembly Union so desires. Mrs. Balch hopes that excursions may be organized with railway tickets good for the 2d and returning the 3d.

The presence of our National President, Mrs. Stevens, and Vice President, Miss Gordon, with the State Presidents of Indiana, Mrs. Vayhinger, of Ohio, Mrs. Clark, of Michigan, and Mrs. Benjamine insures a fine program for August 3. It is to be hoped that a large attendance of W. C. T. U. women, L. T. Legioners, Prohibitioners and friends and well wishers of our cause will grace the Assembly, and specially that the efforts of the officers of the Assembly Union for our specially recognized days will be appreciated.

The treasurer is Mrs. Cora M. Steel, Muncie, and the secretary, Miss Pearl Rall, Huntington. Any of these ladies will be glad to give our readers special information regarding excursions, etc.

Let us have definite news from the officers of other Summer Assembly Unions. Yours for the best,

ALICE RUTH PALMER,
Superintendent Summer Assemblies, Franklin, Ind.

ISLAND PARK CHAUTAUQUA

is a tri-State summer assembly. Indiana, Ohio and Michigan have an equal interest in this Union, but at present the two latter States do not seem to feel that it is as much theirs as ours. The work done there by the Assembly Union should have more consideration from the three States interested; each state should work for better attendance on program day, which will be August 3 this year, and each State should feel obligated for a money consideration. Indiana should not consider \$25 extravagant. As treasurer of the Assembly Union, I shall be glad to receipt for any amount which Unions or individuals may wish to contribute.

CORA M. STEELE,
Muncie, Ind.

QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

What is the Reply?

It is a complete and able reply to the report of the Committee of Fifty, who have maliciously attacked the endorsed physiologies and the scientific temperance teachings in the public schools.

Who appointed the Committee of Fifty?

They are self appointed. In 1893 a company of men, organized under the name of the Committee of Fifty, to investigate the liquor problem; sub-committees were chosen to consider different phases of the question.

On what bases do they object to the work in the public schools?

They object to it as frankly and honestly a total abstinence movement. Lord forgive it if it is not. They also cite for criticism the teaching that alcohol is not a food, but a poison. Yet they fail to prove that it is a food.

To whom should we give the Reply?

To superintendents, principals and teachers in the public schools, doctors, preachers, public libraries, colleges and universities, etc. Because the Committee of Fifty is sending their report of 800 pages all over the land and we must meet it.

This is the great work of the State at present and every county should be doing something. Send to your State Superintendent or Mrs. Brand for supplies. The Reply is \$2.00 per hundred.

MATTIE CAMMACK-GIBSON,
State Superintendent, L. T. L.

THE HEPBURN-DOLLIVER BILL

provides that no liquor can be shipped into Prohibition territory by express companies, railroads, etc.

The *World's Work* for November, 1903, gives the following exhibit of the extent of Prohibition in the south, showing how great an area and population is involved in the administration of the inter-state commerce laws.

It is no wonder the liquor lobby are bitterly opposed to the new law that would shut them out of this rich field.

THE SOUTH BECOMING PROHIBITIONIST.

In the southern states there is a strong and effective Prohibition movement, which proceeds not by states, but by counties and towns and neighborhoods.

ARKANSAS—In Arkansas the manufacture and sale of liquors is prohibited in places where "no license" has been voted. Where a license may be procured, it costs \$800. In 1902, out of 75 counties, 43 had declared against licensing. In Georgia, of 137 counties, 103 have voted "dry."

KENTUCKY—"In Kentucky, where, according to one of its most prominent citizens, "it is no longer genteel to drink," the counties may prevent or regulate the traffic. Prohibition is the law in 47 counties, partial Prohibition prevails in 54 counties and in 18 counties the liquor traffic is unrestricted.

MISSISSIPPI—Mississippi has Prohibition in 65 out of 75 counties.

NORTH CAROLINA—In North Carolina a new law prohibits saloons except in incorporated towns that vote otherwise. This is to abolish the country grogshop. For twenty years or more, on the petition of a certain number of citizens, saloons have been prohibited within a certain number of miles of a school-

house or of a church; and thus many neighborhoods have secured Prohibition. None can lawfully exist now outside of incorporated towns which choose to permit them. Mr. J. W. Bailey, a well-informed editor at Raleigh, regards the demand throughout the South for restriction as the first fruit of negro disfranchisement and an evidence of the new independence of the white people. No southern state could secure a majority for a Prohibition law if the negro voted.

TENNESSEE—Tennessee has a law prohibiting saloons near schoolhouses, whether the schools be in session or not. Incorporated towns of 5,000 population may decide by vote whether there shall be license or no license. Favorable reports are received of the operation of the law where license has been rejected. On September 1 there were 12 counties with saloons and 84 "dry" counties.

TEXAS—In Texas there are 200 Prohibition counties and other counties partially Prohibitionist, and only a few in which liquor-selling is not restricted. Oklahoma is feeling the effect of the movement on her border.

Altogether, in ten Southern states the voters have the opportunity to cast their ballots against licensing the manufacture or sale of liquors, and in one—South Carolina—it is a state monopoly. The South is, therefore, fast becoming Prohibitionist.

The price of the Reply to the Committee of Fifty is \$16.00 per 1000, \$2.00 per 100 or 20 copies for 50 cents. Smaller orders cannot be filled for less than 5 cents per copy. Every woman in our ranks ought to own a copy of this Reply and be thoroughly familiar with its contents. You will then see the urgent necessity of placing it in the hands of teachers, ministers and physicians. Mrs. Brand will fill all orders promptly.

Miss Belle Kearney's dates in Indiana have been cancelled. Miss Kearney will go abroad the first of May for a year's rest in Europe.

Rev. Anna Shaw, who is recognized as the greatest woman orator on the platform, will lecture in Indiana April 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8. A few days later she will sail for Europe for an extended tour.

Mrs. Maria Weed, whom many of our women had the pleasure of hearing at the National Convention at Cincinnati, will begin a tour in Northern Indiana March 29, speaking on the Menace of Modern Mormonism. Indiana women are sending in a strong protest against Apostle Smoot.

If you have not written to Senator Beveridge, who is on the committee, please do so at once.

FIELD NOTES.

Linwood Union met at the home of the president, Mrs. Permelia J. Seal, February 17, and held a Memorial service in honor of Frances E. Willard's heavenly birthday.

Greencastle Union has organized a Loyal Temperance Union with forty-three members. Also has organized a Senior Legion. Mrs. S. A. Hazelett is the leader. Under her care the work is sure to succeed.

Bethany Park Summer Assembly is expecting to have Oliver Stewart to speak again on the afternoon of Prohibition Day and Miss Marie Brehm, the very strong and popular president of Illinois, in the forenoon.

Greensburg Union wishes to extend a cordial invitation to all the members of the ex-Committee and Superintendents through the columns of the MESSAGE and request all who expect to attend to send in their names at once to Mrs. Eva Watson, 115 West North street, Chairman Entertainment Committee.

Tippecanoe County—The executive meeting was held at Mrs. C. C. Robinson's, Perrin avenue, February 19, at 2:30 o'clock. The subjects under discussion were very interesting. The Unions are working in unison and there will be "An at Home" by the first of April for the benefit of the W. C. T. U. Treasury.

The roster of Tippecanoe County W. C. T. U., 1903-1904, is by far the most complete of anything of the kind we ever saw. The county officers are, President, Miss Eliza F. Baker; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. K. T. A. Straw; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Freeman Seney, and Treasurer, Miss Elizabeth Straw, all of LaFayette.

Indianapolis Meridian Union held a beautiful Frances E. Willard Memorial Service at the home of Mrs. Morgan on Broadway. Devotional service was led by Mrs. M. L. Foxworthy. She spoke of the personal life of Miss Willard, touching on her childhood days—how in her young womanhood she gave herself to Christ and became loving, patient and gentle. Mrs. Leck, the County President was present and gave an interesting account of meeting Miss Willard at the National W. C. T. U. Convention at Buffalo. She said she would always remember that last meeting, where with bowed heads and joined hands, Miss Willard prayed that no one speak disparagingly of the work and workers. Mrs. Gipe told of Miss Willard's self-sacrificing life, of her refusal of a fine position and a salary of \$2,400 per year and acceptance of the Presidency of the Chicago W. C. T. U. without compensation. Her devotion to the cause was marvelous and her faith in humanity unlimited. The influence from this meeting will long continue. A recitation by Miss Lena Baker was much enjoyed. The meeting closed with a social hour.

W. C. T. U. Unions are chameleon like in the reflection of their membership. If the Union is known in the community as active and influential, it is because of the individual effort of the membership. If it is inactive and not considered a power, it is because of the inactivity of the membership. This may be from different reasons.

Crown Point Union held a meeting at the home of our newly elected President, Mrs. J. P. Merrill, last Tuesday afternoon. Our Union can report two new members, namely: Mrs. Juliet Reed Brown and Mrs. William Glover. Mrs. Merrill presented each member with a souvenir in honor of the birthday of our beloved National President, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens.

Marion Central Union held a Frances Willard Memorial service February 17, at the First Baptist Church. Rev. J. W. Clevenger, pastor of this church, delivered an address on the life of Miss Willard, which was highly appreciated by all present. Rev. Parker, who is assisting in the revival services at this church, rendered a very fine solo. A collection was taken for the "Organization Fund." Two new members were added to the Union.

Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, National Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction, will be in the middle west for a month or more, beginning about April 15 County or Local Unions in Indiana desiring to take advantage of this opportunity to arrange for a public or teachers' institute addressed by Mrs. Hunt are requested to write her at once, stating dates preferred. Terms and dates open for engagements will be given on application. Address Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, 23 Trull street, Boston, Mass.

Economy Union held its regular monthly meeting March 4 Subject: "Sabbath Observance." Interesting papers and readings, interspersed with music, occupied the hour. The Union then divided with two leaders, Miss Daisy Osborn and Bertha Marshall, to conduct a membership contest, a month to be allowed for the work. The division securing the most new members is to be entertained by the one securing fewest.

Marion—Shugart Union has 29 honorary members, six of whom are ministers of the Gospel. The ladies of the Union will give a public entertainment on March 16 at the home of L. L. Johnson, 1308 West Second street. Among other good things on the program there will be a debate. Subject: "Resolved, That the use of intoxicating liquors has caused more suffering to the human race in modern times than war." A great time is expected.

Commemorative meeting for Frances E. Willard was held at the home of Mrs. J. W. Bennett, February 9. The Rev. Dr. Vest, of Hall Place M. E. Church, made a most excellent address, after which a delightful surprise was given the County President, Mrs. A. B. Leck, by a presentation of the beautiful life of Frances E. Willard by the Union as a token of their love and appreciation of her work in the temperance cause. Two dollars as a free will offering was sent to the national treasurer.

IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. S. D. ANDERMAN—The following resolution, written by Mrs. D. H. Hollingshead, was adopted by the Hartford City W. C. T. U. in honor of Mrs. S. D. Anderman, whose death occurred February 29, 1904, was signed by the writer and committee of indorsement:

WHEREAS, It has pleased our Heavenly Father, to call from our midst, an esteemed member and a dear sister, Mrs. S. D. Anderman; therefore be it

Resolved, That while we bow in submission to Divine Will, we deeply mourn the loss of one bound to us by the tenderest ties of Christian companionship. One who was ever an exemplification of the motto of this grand organization—"For God and Home and Every Land."

Resolved, That we strive to imitate her life, that of doing for others as she would have others do unto her. And with never a look beyond her own little sphere, knowing that it was her Master's will and not her own.

Resolved, That in the death of Sister Anderman this society has sustained an almost irreparable loss, and the community loses an upright, genial Christian woman; therefore be it

Resolved, That while we do not thoroughly understand why this sad bereavement should have fallen so suddenly upon us, we will bow to the will of him who doeth all things well, and while deploring the untimely death of Sister Anderman, we have evidence from her last hours here on earth that our loss is her great gain; therefore be it

Resolved, That we extend to her husband and children our heartfelt sympathies in this their hour of sad bereavement and earthly sorrow and bid them to look to that home on high, where wife and mother, at her Savior's feet, has heard the welcome words—"Thou good and faithful servant, well done."

Resolved, That as an earnest testimonial of our love for our dear departed sister that a copy of these resolutions be placed upon the records of this meeting and a copy be sent the family and also to each of our daily papers and the MESSAGE for publication.

MRS. D. H. HOLLINGSHEAD,
MRS. JASON HUGGINS,
MRS. E. A. WILLIS,
Committee.

GEORGE SHUGART—On February 9th, while the Deer Creek W. C. T. U. was celebrating its thirteenth anniversary the sad intelligence came of the death of one of our loved and respected honorary members, George Shugart. He was a grand good man, always and at all times loyal and true. His membership dates back almost to its organization and his unlimited faith in our achievements will certainly serve as a guide post for greater aims. He took great pleasure in wearing our badge on all public occasions and even from his casket it shined forth in all its glory. Our rank is once more broken, but with the clean pure life of George Shugart, we know there is one tie in the selected city thither we are all tending and he is now reaping the reward of the faithful.

ALBERT QUICK—Shugart Union has again been visited by the death angel. Albert Quick, an honorary member, passed away January 10, after an illness of several months. Brother Quick will be greatly missed from our midst and we could not but think, as we looked at him in his casket, with the little white bow he loved so well just over his heart, that if all professed Christian men would wear it how much easier it would be for the great Judge of the Universe to say on that great day, well done thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord. He leaves a wife and one son, Guy, ten years old, to whom we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

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REV. ALICE RUTH PALMER,
Treasurer Indiana W. C. T. U.

"Sunday liquor selling is the pirate of commercial life, preying upon all other trades and interests. On Sunday it robs the church and the home of the presence of fathers and brothers. Extending its relentless grasp forward into the week, it robs the Monday workshop of its employes, and the grocer, the baker, the butcher, of their legitimate share of the laborers' wages, which are monopolized by the liquor dealer, while the tipplers' families are left ragged and hungry. The liquor dealer is an Arab whose hand is against every man, and every man's hand should be against him. At the very least he should not be allowed a day more of each week than better merchants."

USING THE PRESS.

How the liquor men use the press in advancing their interests may be seen from a circular sent out to many newspaper editors by the superintendent of correspondence of the Brewers' and Distillers' Association.

After speaking of the dangers menacing the trade by the activity of its foes, the temperance people, the circular proceeds:

"In order, therefore, to protect ourselves and our business it is imperative that every means possible for self-protection be used. Our best friend is the newspaper. This being the case, we are going to make it worth something to them to stand by us in this thing. I have recently been put in charge of this department of work, with instructions to spare neither pains nor money in this, one of the hardest fights we have yet had to put up. What will you charge us for the use of say one of your editorial columns per week, we to furnish material, you to publish it as editorial matter? Of course we will have to be conservative in handling this organization, except where we are sure of our grounds; then we will make every edge cut to serve our purpose. And this matter will have to be kept sub rosa. This is my instruction, and I have to make a confident of you and I can make it pay you. Please let me have your terms as soon as possible, money to accompany each article. Yours truly."

That many newspapers have yielded to the temptation and editors have got their price is evident from the editorial articles that from time to time have appeared in some of the daily papers of the great cities, setting forth direful results of prohibition; the injustice of dispensing with the army canteen; garbled statistics to show the utter failure of prohibition everywhere. The articles were not rabid. On the contrary, they seemed the product of an anxious, conscientious patriot, seeking to do service to his country.—*Exchange.*

THE LATEST FROM ENGLAND—BRITISH PHYSICIANS WANT COMPULSORY TEMPERANCE EDUCATION.

Mr. Arthur Chamberlain, an English manufacturer and brother of Joseph Chamberlain, M.P., in a recent speech, said the only competitor he was afraid of was the United States and he only feared them because of their superior education and the fact that the people of that country drank only half as much intoxicating liquor as Englishmen.

A movement, inaugurated by physicians, is now on foot for the adoption by Great Britain of the educational method against drink.

About the middle of January, according to the *British Medical Journal*, the Council of the British Medical Association, through a committee of its members, among whom are Sir Lauder Brunton, Sir Henry Thompson, Sir William Turner, Sir Victor Horsley and Professor G. Sims Woodhead, asked every registered physician in England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales to unite with them in signing a petition for the compulsory study of the laws of health, including elementary instruction on the nature and effects of alcohol.

This petition, which late advices from England show has already been signed by nearly 15,000 practitioners in all parts of Great Britain, states as its *raison d'être* the facts, that as members of the medical profession, the signers have constantly before them "the serious physical and moral conditions of degeneracy and disease resulting from the neglect and infraction of the elementary laws of hygiene," that "much of the degeneracy disease, and accident with which medical men are called upon to deal, is directly or indirectly due to the use of alcohol and that a widespread ignorance prevails concerning not only the nature and properties of this substance, but also its effects on the body and mind."

The petition reviews at some length the steps taken in other English speaking countries toward securing such instruction, namely, Canada and especially in the United States, where the petition says the "whole question is dealt with still more completely."

In view of the fact that this instruction is legally compulsory throughout the whole United States and that certain opponents have vainly tried to abolish such legal requirements and to postpone all teaching concerning the nature and effects of alcoholic drinks until the later school years, it is interesting to note the emphasis laid by this petition of British physicians upon the necessity of having the instruction compulsory and given at an early age. The signers state that under the present school arrangements in Great Britain health instruction is permissible, but they add:

"By this method effective instruction is given to a small proportion of the pupils only. This does not appear to us to be adequate. We believe that it should be compulsory and be given at a much earlier age than at present. We would urge the Board of Education of England and Wales, the Scotch Educational Department and the Irish Educational Authorities to include in the simple hygienic teaching which we desire, elementary instruction at an early age on the nature and effects of alcohol."

"Until the four Central Educational Authorities of the United Kingdom include this subject as a part of the system of National Education, it appears to us that the mass of the pupils must fail, as at present, to receive that systematic teaching of hygiene and of the nature and effects of alcohol which alone we consider adequate to meet the present need."

Thoughtful students of the present conditions in national life in Great Britain as in France, Germany and other European countries, are gravely concerned over the widespread drink evil with its direful consequences to individual and national well-being and prosperity. They are beginning to recognize the greater sobriety of our people and the educational methods which have helped bring about that sobriety as potent factors in the industrial and commercial success of the United States. They see, as shown by this petition from the physicians, that the hope of the nation lies in preventing the formation of drinking habits through education of the rising generation.

MARY H. HUNT.

PHYSICIANS AND EDUCATORS ON THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF FIFTY.

REPLY TO COMMITTEE OF FIFTY MADE A GOVERNMENT DOCUMENT.

The report of the Sub-Committee of the Committee of Fifty with its denunciations of our present system of public school temperance education and its con-

doning of moderate drinking, has elicited no chorus of approving comments from the medical and educational press, but the reverse.

WHAT MEDICAL JOURNALS SAY.

The Cincinnati *Lancet Clinic*, after publishing a long resume of the reply to the Sub-Committee by the National W. C. T. U., comments that the latter "seems to score at every point on which it takes issue" with the Sub-Committee.

The Chicago *Medical Standard*, referring to this reply, says:

"The danger of alcohol is such a real one, so subversive of the welfare of society, that it can hardly be emphasized too much, not of course, at the expense of truth. Yet the splitting of scientific hairs is hardly necessary on either side. Let the simple, unembellished truth be told to the children without reserve by all means. The horrors of alcoholism are not likely to be much overstated."

"The criticism that the indorsed text-books have been exaggerated can hardly be made against the later school books on physiology, written by professors in the Northwestern University Medical School and the Harvard Medical School. These are clean up-to-date and imbued with the teachings of modern science. To discontinue the public instruction in physiology with its bearings on the alcohol and tobacco questions would certainly be a mistake. But let us have accuracy by all means."

UNITED STATES SENATE SETS ITS SEAL OF APPROVAL ON THE REPLY TO THE COMMITTEE OF FIFTY.

On motion of the only member of the medical profession in the United States Senate, Senator Gallinger, of New Hampshire, the reply to the Physiological Sub-Committee of Fifty has been made a government document by unanimous consent of the Senate. Senator Gallinger was a physician of wide repute before he entered politics and therefore is accustomed to judge of these matters from a scientific standpoint. "It has been a pleasure to me," he writes, "to give wider circulation to this magnificent reply than it would have received had not the Senate placed its seal of approval upon it." This action by the Senate was the more significant because no one had asked that it be taken and every member had received a copy of the Reply, sent him as a matter of information, so had had the opportunity to know for what he was voting.

EDUCATIONAL CRITICISMS OF THE COMMITTEE OF FIFTY'S REPORT.

Educational papers protest energetically against the character of the report of the committee of Fifty.

Dr. A. E. Winship, of the Massachusetts State Board of Education, in an incisive editorial in the *New England Journal of Education* on the Bowditch-Hodge Report of the Sub-Committee concerning temperance education, says in part:

"There is nothing charged against the physiologies that is so unscientific as Dr. Bowditch's unscientific, undignified, unprofessional assumption that there is any scientific value to his '28 per cent,' '72 per cent,' '41 per cent' of results from answers from only one-fourth of those who should have answered."

"Intemperance is a crying evil; the habit of using intoxicants wrecks the health, the intellect, the morals of millions of Americans; the use of intoxicants tends to undo all that the schools aim to do; their use is a curse of the home, to industries, to municipal and political life."

"It is vastly better, in such a cause, to do a little too much than to do nothing."

"No eminent medical authority has ever made any appreciable effort to utilize the schools for the enlightening of youth regarding the dangers lurking in intoxicants."

"The W. C. T. U. has put a million times the effort into the enlightenment of youth on these subjects than has been put forth by all their critics combined."

An editorial in *School and Home Education*, a leading educational magazine of Illinois, says of the Committee of Fifty:

"What can be the motive of any committee of intelligent men in setting in array their influence against a movement, that, in spite of the want of skill in instructors in too many instances, is without question doing more to promote temperance in this nation than any other one influence now active, it is not easy to conceive. It certainly cannot be in the interest of science, nor can it be in the interest of better living among those who are wasting their earnings and destroying their bodies and souls in our dram-shops."

Again, in the March number of the same magazine, commenting on the Reply to the Sub-Committee, the editor says of the alcohol-a-food doctrine as promulgated by the Committee of Fifty:

"To call alcohol a food is to encourage hundreds of thousands to place in jeopardy their well-being"

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Unions are Asked to Contribute Twenty-five Cents Toward Indiana's Part in Flower Mission Day at the World's Fair.

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MRS. LUELLA F. MCWHIRTER, Editor,
Rosabower, Greencastle, Ind.

MAY, 1904.

Columbus, Ind., October 21-24, State W. C. T. U. Convention.

Philadelphia, Pa., November, National W. C. T. U. Convention.

The MESSAGE should be received during the first days of each month by every paid regular member of every W. C. T. U. union in Indiana. Presidents, make inquiry and if any members do not receive their papers promptly, please write a card to Miss Alice Ruth Palmer, State Treasurer, Franklin, Ind., concerning the matter and she will give it immediate attention. The MESSAGE subscription lists are all in her charge.

The Mid-Year meeting of the State W. C. T. U. and the annual conference of the State Board of Superintendents were held in the clean city of Greensburg, April 7-8. Gracious hospitality was extended by the dear White Ribboners to all delegates.

The meetings were held in the beautiful M. E. Church, whose pastor, Rev. Geo. Murphey, extended a most cordial welcome. There were present all of the State officers except the dear faithful Secretary, Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, who was detained on account of the death of a nephew. The Branch Secretaries were both present. There was also present a goodly number of County Presidents and State Superintendents.

Encouraging reports were made by the State officers. The State Treasurer reported an increase of several hundred members thus far this year over the same quarters last year. Mrs. Lizzie Hahn, the President of the Hadley Industrial School Board, was present and reported the condition of the school and farm.

We are pleased to know that Mr. Luther Hadley, a splendid young man who lives adjoining our farm, has rented it for this year. Mr. Hadley is a successful farmer, whose wife was one of our own dear girls in the early days of the school. Much of our land is in timber and is used for pasture, but the tillable land will be well cared for by Mr. Hadley, who will make money for himself and for us. This seems a practical method. Four acres will be planted in potatoes.

For the summer most of the little girls will be allowed to go into the homes of some who invite them. Thus, during the summer time house cleaning and fruit canning, etc., can be more easily done without additional help.

There is need of money now for the home. Everybody interested is asked to present the needs of the institution to neighbors and friends and ask them to help in the One Dollar Hadley Fund. By this fund we are expecting to greatly help the home. All money to be sent to the Treasurer, Mrs. Mattie Chandler, Mooresville, Ind., Rural Route.

The Board of Superintendents were granted the privilege of holding a Diamond Medal Contest on Saturday evening of the State Convention at Columbus, with the understanding that \$50 of the proceeds will be put into the W. C. T. U. State Treasury.

Excellent department meetings were held and much interest manifested in all lines of work.

The lecture by Rev. Anna Shaw on the first evening was eloquent, logical and convincing and greatly appreciated by a large audience.

Two contests were held on the second evening, very greatly to the delight of a large audience.

The contest arrangement was most unique, under the management of Mrs. Lou E. Rall, of Huntington. There were three oratorical contestants for a gold medal and four musical contestants for a silver medal.

In the beginning the meeting opened with prayer by Mrs. McWhirter and a recitation by beautiful little Ethel Crooks. Subject, What One Little Miss Knows.

The musical selections were all vocal solos. The first was The Slumber Boat, by Master Tommy Jenkins; recitation, Down with the Traffic, Harold Ogden; solo, The Old Church Bell, Miss Mary McKay; recitation, The Ballot of Bishop and Brewer, Miss Etta Montgomery; solo, Voices of the Woods, Master Elmer Edkins; recitation, Foundation Stories of the W. C. T. U., Miss Grace Doles; solo, The Merry Brown Thrush, Miss Florence Hazelrig.

A reading by Mrs. Josephine Walmer, of Bluffton, was greatly enjoyed while judges were out.

The musical medal was won by Miss Florence Hazelrig and presented by Mrs. Outland. The oratorical medal was won by Harold Ogden and presented by Miss Clara Sears. Benediction by Brother Lathrop. Thus closed a delightful evening entertainment.

ANTI-NARCOTICS.

DEAR SISTERS—In February I sent blanks to 20 County Superintendents and I have received reports from but three counties. I realize that this has been a very hard winter in which to work, but now the warm days are coming and our boys will wish to be out of doors after school hours. We cannot be with them so much and cannot watch them so closely and they are in constant danger. Let us work for them while they play and think for them while they sleep. Knowing, as we know, the effects of this habit upon our children, how can we be so indifferent when smoking boys are seen on every street corner, not only in our cities, but in our towns? What can we hope from the next generation if we do not interest ourselves in the morals of the children now with us?

Mrs. Ingalls, National Superintendent of this department, has prepared a small chart for use in lectures or blackboard work. With its help any woman could furnish an interesting program. The price is only two cents. The literature put out by the W. T. P. A. is the best I have read. Pledge cards and placards, with the Indiana tobacco law, can be procured from our State Treasurer, Rev. Alice Palmer. Will not every local president throughout the State send for a ten cent sample package of literature in this department and devote one meeting of her union to reading, or having this literature read? I am sure it would excite our interest in the work when none is now felt. Let us try to make life for our daughters, the future mothers, less hard than it has been made for us.

MRS. E. G. SMITH,
State Superintendent.

NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION—PRIZE BANNER.

As a wish has been expressed for a banner for this department, I have decided to have one ready for the next National Convention. It will be awarded to the state reporting the largest number of unions using the department book, Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine, for study and distributing the most department literature. Pages of books or magazines must not be counted, but pages of non-alcoholic matter in department editions of state papers may be counted. The study of the book may be reported in two ways: first, the number of members reading it at home; second, the number of meetings at which it has been read from aloud for at least eight minutes. Award will be made proportionately to the entire number of unions in a state.

A \$3 package of leaflets will be given to the local union sending the best all-round report.

MARTHA M. ALLEN,
27 Broad St., Oneida, N. Y.

EVANGELISTIC SUPERINTENDENTS.

It was my purpose to have a letter of instructions in the March MESSAGE, but was engaged in a revival service at the time the letter should have been written. I stated in the fall that I would not ask for quarterly reports, but would send out my blanks in the spring. The first report would include the work done up to March 15, the second the last half of the year ending September 15. As I have found it difficult to get reports from many of the Unions during former years I have decided (if the MESSAGE can give me the space) to have my questions printed in the MESSAGE so that all superintendents will be sure to have the questions. I have requested the superintendents to send me their names, but very few have granted my request. In some of the organized counties there is no county superintendent, so I have sent my blanks to the county president, requesting her to send them out to the local unions. Possibly some have failed to do this and the unions have not received the blanks. I have sent to the superintendents whose names I have. Any union having done evangelistic work is earnestly requested to answer as many of the following questions as possible and send the report to

ELIZABETH M. HOUGHTON,
Richmond, Ind.

26 S. Seventh St.
EVANGELISTIC LOCAL REPORT BLANK.
Name of Local Union.....Name of County.....
Name of Local Superintendent.....Address.....
Name of County Superintendent.....Address.....

QUESTIONS FOR COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT—No. Unions in County.....No. Evangelistic Superintendents.....Are you supplied with Hints and Helps and State Superintendent's Plan of Work?.....Have you faithfully looked after the interests of this department in the County.....Did you observe the evangelistic hour at your county convention.....

QUESTIONS FOR LOCALS—Have you State Superintendent's Plan of Work?.....National Superintendent's Hints and Helps?.....Have you kept faithful record of your work?.....Are the members of your Union growing in spirituality and using helps thereto?.....No. members who have done personal work for unconverted.....No. temperance addresses given before conventions or regular meetings of C. E. and E. L. Societies.....No. evangelistic meetings.....in churches.....prisons.....jails.....pen-

itentiaries.....halls.....cottages.....school-houses.....No. out-door services.....No. visits made by Union.....No. conversions.....No. Bible readings.....No. signatures to the pledge.....No. pages of literature distributed.....

NOTE—Please add items of interest not included in the above questions.

THE HADLEY HOME NEEDS MONEY AND THAT VERY SOON.

By unanimous action of the Mid-Year Executive meeting it was decided to ask all friends of the institution to contribute to the One Dollar Hadley Fund. Especially was it desired that friends, not members of the W. C. T. U., should be asked to contribute. The contributions will all be reported in the MESSAGE. The following contributions have been made:

Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Moore's Hill, \$1.00; Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Richmond R. R., \$1.00; Mrs. Hattie W. Brand, Indianapolis, \$1.00; Mrs. Ida Mix, Kokomo, \$1.00; Prof. M. Vayhinger, Moore's Hill, \$1.00; Mrs. Matilda Johnson, \$1.00; Master Paul Vayhinger, Moore's Hill, \$1.00; Little Lois Vayhinger, \$1.00; Mrs. Josephine Walmer, Bluffton, \$1.00; Mrs. Sophia Toner, Martinsville \$1.00; Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City, \$1.00; Mrs. Lizzie Hahn, Indianapolis, \$1.00; Mr. Shellhorn, Greensburg, \$1.00.

In sending contributions for this special One Dollar Hadley Fund be sure and mention the purpose intended. Send all money by post office money order to the treasurer of the Hadley School Board.

MRS. MATTIE CHANDLER,
Mooresville R. R.

TO THE MOTHERHOOD OF INDIANA.

In the erection of a building we must lay a good foundation and so it is in the true work of the W. C. T. U. Christ must be the foundation stone on which we build and we must begin work and unceasingly continue to work and if the children of our nation are taught principles of truth and righteousness and their environments and inheritance are made pure, it will not take many generations to purify the ballot box and place in congress men or women that will not sustain the saloon with all its evil deeds. Why not begin with the babies in the White Ribbon Cradle Roll? First in order to organize a W. R. C. R. the Union should appoint a Superintendent and she ought to be an enthusiastic, wide-awake, consecrated woman, one that loves children. As I have said again and again, do not confine your work to the members of the W. C. T. U. Others will gladly help you and by assisting will become interested in the work. Call upon the women, urge them to attend the meetings, make them feel you need them as well as they need the meeting. Keep a record of all your work and then be sure to report to your County Superintendent, that she may report to the State. A new feature has been added to the W. R. C. R. in the form of Cradle Roll Contests and a beautiful silver medal awarded to the child who receives the highest marks. The Cradle Roll Contests are to be conducted much like the W. C. T. U. Contests. Three judges are to be chosen and they are to use blanks marking on voice articulation, memory, gesture and general effect. The medals for this work may be obtained of Mrs. A. E. Carmen, 291 Oakley Boulevard, Chicago, Ill. In order to secure money for the medal and other expenses I would suggest an admission fee of a nickel or a free will offering. Temperance pieces should be used. We cannot begin too early with the children, to educate them against the sin and danger of intemperance. For that reason let us start in the cradle to contest for right and righteousness. Now, dear mothers, to the work. How many White Ribbon Cradle Roll members will you obtain and how many W. R. C. R. contests will you hold this year?

MRS. S. M. STAHL,
State Superintendent.

HIS EXPERIENCE WITH AILMENTS.

By GRANT HEDRICKS.

He was big and strong and husky and he never had been ill. Till he read an advertisement of the Lightning Liver Pill. Which extolled the wonderful merits of a remedy so sure, There was scarce an ailment known to man it ever failed to cure.

He never knew that he was sick until he chanced to look through the interesting pages of this timely little book. It treated of diseases that mankind has long endured, And the simple plan to be pursued in order to be cured.

First he found he had a liver that was surely out of whack; As he read about his kidneys he felt trouble in his back; And as he kept on reading, lower did his spirits fall, For of twenty-seven ailments he had symptoms of them all.

So he bought a box of Lightning Pills and used them every day, Thinking that his trifling ills would take heels and fade away; But his thoughts they never realized, for in a month or two He had the same old symptoms and some others that were new.

Then he wrote off to a "specialist" who advertised a cure By means of an electric belt—he guaranteed it sure, So he bought a thirty dollar belt. It hadn't long been tried Before his ills were aggravated by some blisters on his side.

After many kinds of treatment he was pretty near a case, And the slimmer grew his pocket book, the thinner grew his face.

Till one day, like Newton's apple, something struck his bigot head, Why in blazes don't you exercise? the thought that struck him said.

Now he's big and strong and husky, as he never was before; All his ailments have departed and they'll bother him no more, He has no more use for doctors, with their tonics and their pills,

Since he took his daily exercise to cure him of his ills.

—From Physical Culture Journal.



REV. WILBUR F. CRAFTS, Ph. D.
President of the National Reform Bureau.
Headquarters at Washington, D. C.

COMMON SALT IS A VERY VALUABLE MEDICINE AND IS GOOD FOR ALMOST ANYTHING.

Salt cleanses the palate and furred tongue, and gargle of salt and water is often efficacious. A pinch of salt on the tongue, followed ten minutes afterward by a drink of cold water, often cures a sick headache. Salt hardens gums, makes teeth white and sweetens the breath. Weak ankles should be rubbed with solution of salt water. Rose colds, hay fever and kindred affections may be much relieved by using fine dry salt like snuff. Dyspepsia, heartburn and indigestion are relieved by a cup of hot water in which a small spoonful of salt has been melted. Salt and water will sometimes relieve an unconscious person when hurt. Hemorrhages from tooth pulling are stopped by filling the mouth with salt and water. Weak and tired eyes are refreshed by bathing with warm water and salt. Public speakers and many noted singers use a wash of salt and water before and after using the voice, as it strengthens the organs of the throat. Salt rubbed into the scalp or occasionally added to the water in washing prevents the hair falling out.—*Table Talks.*

SPECIAL TO FLOWER MISSION SUPERINTENDENTS.

As June 9, the anniversary of Jennie Casseday's birthday draws near, there is much for each of us to do who has undertaken the responsibility of this department. And I am sure it is a willing and beautiful service. So let us consult together as to how to make this Flower Mission day of more far reaching influence than ever before.

Would it not be wise to hold the Flower Mission meeting as soon as possible? Of course each local Superintendent will plan for this meeting before June 9 so as to derive the benefit from interest thus aroused for a larger celebration this year than usual. Now, in arranging for this meeting, first send for several copies of a Program for a Flower Mission Meeting by Lella M. Sewall. It will afford you a delightful afternoon without any unnecessary effort on your part if you assign each number to some one who will lend enthusiasm to the execution thereof. On the program there is the Flower Mission Responsive Reading, Frances Willard and the Lamplighter and The Development of the Flower Mission and these leaflets, with the program, will cost but a few cents. So send for them and hold an interesting meeting. Invite friends interested in the Flower Mission, outside of the W. C. T. U. and the information obtained may induce them to co-operate with you.

If there is a Loyal Temperance Legion connected with your Union they may greatly assist you and there is a program that can be ordered for them. Especially on June 8 and 9 let them help gather flowers and make bouquets.

Very important to us is our contribution towards the observance of Flower Mission day at the World's Fair. Our National Superintendent has requested that each State contribute toward a general fund to be used in distributing flowers and text cards at the Exposition in St. Louis on Jennie Casseday's birthday, June 9. This appeals to us as a beautiful plan and I feel certain that Indiana will do her part. So let each local Superintendent of Flower Mission, at the very next meeting of the Union, having previously asked the members to bring pennies, nickels and dimes—take a collection. (If there is no meeting, please manage some other way to collect the money.) And send twenty-five cents to me for this State contribution. Keep the remainder of the collection to aid you in your local work—to buy text cards, literature, postage, etc.

Do not fail to send twenty-five cents to me by May 16, so that the contribution from Indiana may be sent on time to our National Superintendent.

As to June 9, the great day of this department, there are many suggestions for each worker. I hope

many of our W. C. T. U. members have planted seeds early enough to have bright blossoms to send her Superintendent for Flower Mission day. (If not, plant some seeds now, so as to have flowers the rest of the season.)

Each Union is responsible for the visitation of every public institution in its vicinity on June 9. If any Hospital, Jail, Reform School, Orphan's Home or the Kindergarten is located in a town where there is no W. C. T. U.—let the unions in the same county arrange with those in charge of these institutions to receive boxes of bouquets on that day. If possible, send some members of the W. C. T. U. to hold a public service in each institution when the flowers are distributed. Of course the sick, poor and discouraged in each of our towns will be remembered by a bouquet.

The express companies will ship boxes of flowers, bearing the Flower Mission tag, free of charge.

Let each local Superintendent arrange a certain place to have the flowers sent and also have a committee of helpers appointed.

Solicit immediately contributions of flowers, so as to know from whom you may receive them and also so they may be saved for you.

Do not delay in ordering a sufficient supply of text cards, to be tied with a tiny white ribbon on each bouquet.

Try to make five hundred bouquets. Send slips of plants and many times flower seeds would be very acceptable.

Don't send frail flowers that will easily fade. Daisies, pansies, golden glow, sweet peas, zinnias, asters, mignonette, chrysanthemums, dahlias, carnations and nasturtiums keep well.

Interest your florists. Often they are very liberal. Keep a record of all that is done in your union and right here let me say: There are over twenty counties whose superintendent of Flower Mission has not been reported to me. I have requested that these names and addresses be sent, but only a few have responded. So, if each local superintendent, who has not had her report blanks, will send me a postal with her address, I will be very grateful, for I am anxious to secure the report of the work each union is accomplishing in this department.

Remember that in the February MESSAGE is a list of the supplies for this department. Each local Superintendent should have a copy of each leaflet and also plenty of literature on hand for distribution. Send always to Miss Lella M. Sewall, 330 Massachusetts avenue, Boston, Mass., for orders of supplies.

MISS LUELLA S. MCWHIRTER,

"Rosabower," Greencastle, Ind. State Superintendent.

The Press Reporters of the Unions can do much in wisely giving out information concerning the work of the Union. Mrs. Charles Webb, the efficient faithful reporter for the Greencastle Union, reported that statements were made in the Union to the effect that the young boys of the town were frequenting the pool rooms and quoted the law in regard to minors and poolrooms as it had been discussed in the meeting. In a short time the officers of the law cleared the pool rooms of minors and gave them to understand that the law would be enforced. This all because of the publicity given to the fact that the Union understood the law.

PHYSICIANS AND EDUCATORS ON THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF FIFTY—

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here and perhaps forever, who would avoid the danger if the whole truth were known.

"The part of essential value in man is the moral will. What is the physical effect of alcohol upon those cells of the body that help to reinforce the moral will? suggests a line of investigation that the scientist will do well to follow before he hastens to proclaim that alcohol is a food, thus leading the ignorant to class it with bread and meat as diet. It certainly often undermines the health and leads to moral weakness and imbecility. What leads to this is certainly not food as the term is understood by the plain people."

Hon. Henry Sabin, ex-Superintendent of Public Instruction in Iowa, writes as follows in the *Journal of Education* of February 25:

"Whatever charges are made against the system of scientific temperance instruction may, with equal force, be brought against every effort to control and abolish the gigantic evils which threaten American youth of today. In certain quarters the practice of inculcating total abstinence seems to be offensive and yet no one was ever harmed by such teaching. On the other hand, no one can deny that hundreds, even thousands have been ruined through habits which commenced with the moderate use of intoxicants.

"Let me quote an extract from the report of the Committee of Fifty as telegraphed to the *Ottawa Sun*: 'Failing to observe the distinction between the diametrically opposite conceptions of use and abuse, some of the advocates of temperance education have not hesitated to teach our children that the horrible results of a prolonged use of alcohol may be expected to follow any departure from total abstinence.'

"That is not far from the truth, because we do aim to teach them that there is a possibility and a very strong one at that, that the dire results of intemperance may follow any departure from total abstinence. We are earnest enough in our determination to impress upon the plastic mind of the child that the origin of the drink habit is in allowing it to fasten

itself upon them when the mind and body are alike in that plastic state which is incident to early childhood."

These citations from the medical and educational press tell their own story. The fallacy that moderate drinking is safe has been disproved by centuries of bitter experience and again by modern science. The teachers and physicians of the United States will not be the ones to give it new lease of life in the coming generation.

MARY H. HUNT.

FIELD NOTES.

Our Dear Mrs. Smith, President of Milroy Union, was recently called home. The union is not holding its regular meetings.

Headquarters for Temperance Literature 915, the Silversmiths Building, 131-137 Wabash avenue, Chicago, Ill. Miss Ruby Gilbert, Manager.

Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson recently gave a talk at a meeting of the Gas City Union on the subject, Give me this Mountain, which was quite an inspiration to the union.

Since the State Convention our president, Mrs. Vayhinger, has organized eight unions and Clark county, spent one week in Columbus, Franklin, Shelbyville and Muncie. She has secured 176 members.

May 8th is our next Temperance Sunday and order your red, white and blue pledge cards now of Mrs. Lida Outland, of Upland. Be sure that enough cards are sent for, so that every child in your Sunday Schools have one.

Bright Union held its second Silver Medal contest for this year on March 31 in the M. E. Church. There were six contestants: Anna Blasdel, Clara Sierfferman, Edith Sears, Esther Jackson, Bertha Kaiser and Guy Hurley. The medal was awarded to Miss Bertha Kaiser. Our Union has a membership of 19.

Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, of South Bend, delivered an address on the Sabbath of the Twentieth Century, at the First Christian Church in Mishawaka recently. She laid emphasis upon the thought that the maintenance of the Sabbath is essential to the success of the gospel.

Mrs. Stanley, in all of her lectures, is making quite prominent the Non-Alcoholic phase of the temperance reform and is creating much interest on this line. Flattering reports come to me of her Non-Alcoholic speeches everywhere. Try her and report.

A. T. WHITSON,
State Superintendent.

Wayne County Union held an executive meeting March 18, to prepare a program for the County Institute to be held at Richmond, April 14 and 15. The Economy Union has just shipped a barrel of canned and dried fruit to Hadley Home. We now have a membership contest on hand. The County President, Mrs. Hannah W. Stanley, attended the Mid-Year Executive at Greensburg.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, State Vice-President, has just finished a week's work in Wells County. Mrs. Walmer, President of the County, writes: Mrs. Stanley excited great enthusiasm in our work. She secured twenty-nine active members and six honoraries. We made her expenses and \$6.00 above. She is a power of God. I wish we had a hundred such in Indiana and a thousand in the nation.

Huntington Union has prepared and printed a funeral ritual suitable for unions to use in case of death of one of its members. There has seemed to be a need for something like this and a very beautiful service has been arranged. Any unions desiring these can secure the same for fifty cents per hundred, thirty-five cents per fifty or twenty-five cents per twenty-five. Send orders to Mrs. Lou E. Rall, Huntington, Ind.

Rev. Anna Shaw delighted her many audiences in Indiana. On April 14 she sailed for Naples. She will spend five weeks in Italy, one month in England with Miss Susan B. Anthony and one month in Spain and one month in Switzerland, on Lake Geneva at Vevey, with Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt and Mrs. Richard Foster Avery, who is there now with two daughters in school. Miss Shaw will return to America October 1. While abroad she will attend the International Council of Women of Berlin and the International Suffrage Association.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley delivered the lecture on Non-Alcoholic Medication at Fairmount, Grant county, on the evening of the 9th to a delighted audience. She also gave it on Sunday morning, the 10th, at Gas City, at the close of which ten new members were enrolled, six of them honorary. All were pleased with her address except those who were so unfortunate as to fail to hear it. She lectured at Marion on Sunday evening to a large and highly appreciative audience. Many were standing, but showed no signs of weariness.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley lectured at Second Friends Church, South Marion, last Sunday night, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. The church was taxed to its utmost capacity, standing room being at a premium so to speak. Mrs. Stanley held her audience spell bound for an hour and a half with her convincing arguments. Many expressed themselves as being willing to listen much longer. Mrs. Stanley is a most fluent speaker, never being at a loss for something to say and she certainly accomplished much good in this vicinity.

Order Flower Mission Literature of Miss Lella M. Sewall, National Superintendent, 330 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston, Mass.

Plainfield Union held a very successful Gold Medal contest on March 23 in the Christian Church. There were six contestants, each of whom had made special preparation and the recitations were all well rendered, the music impressive and appropriate. Miss Ida Newlin was awarded the medal. The receipts were very satisfactory.

Hon. Chas. Dick, who has just been elected to fill Senator Hanna's place as U. S. Senator from Ohio, was at one time a member of a woman suffrage club in Akron and has always been willing to assist the Ohio suffragists. His future will be watched with interest.

North Manchester Union is moving along. We have nine new members since last October. We have been working along the lines of Law Enforcement and Christian Citizenship. Our community has successfully combatted seventeen applications for saloon license since last June. We had eight saloons and three applications to begin with. We have one left whose time will be out on the 25th of May, but we are ready for him. They are still filing applications. They have been desperate, have stolen our power of attorney, but we now have a better one. We hope that all this will make Prohibition votes.

At Vincennes—We have held Gospel Union Temperance meetings for about twenty-six months on Sunday evenings at the different churches, with the ebb and flow that usually attend such services. New faces often appear and a man now and then declares for prohibition after relating some recent experience or circumstance. A committee from the W. C. T. U. usually gets leaders from influential Christians and thanks them for services. Meetings are never dull—rather warm at times and the leader, as well as people, go away thinking, evidently. Our Union is now placing a Wall Pledge Roll in all Sunday Schools.

Elkhart—A very beautiful and appropriate Frances E. Willard Memorial service was held by the Elkhart Central W. C. T. U. at Trinity M. E. Church on the afternoon of February 21. The Crusade Psalm was read, prayer offered by D. Middleton. "Some Glad Day" was sung as a solo by Mrs. Alice Shaffer, the audience joining in the chorus. Rev. Summer-ville Light, who spoke on Frances E. Willard as teacher and leader, said "he would fain have such a beautiful and inspiring song always to introduce his talks;" his words were humming words and were to be printed in the Elkhart papers. Rev. M. A. Tompkins spoke on "Lives that live on after the body is moulded to dust." (Sent to the *Phalanx*.) Rev. Mr. Wheeler gave a fine talk on "Aims and purposes of the W. C. T. U. originating with Miss Willard." A collection was taken for National Memorial Organization. Mrs. D. Work is President.

Central Union of LaFayette met at the home of the Secretary, Mrs. Frank Hecker, Friday, March 11, 2:30 p. m., with a good attendance and several visitors. Much business was transacted, followed by a paper read on "Citizenship" by Mrs. Shagley. Much good work is being done by the Flower Mission Superintendent. A Missionary Spirit seems to have possession of the membership and a new Union will certainly be the outcome of their efforts. They will entertain the Spring Institute in May. Dainty refreshments were served at close of meeting. The regular monthly meeting of Tippecanoe County Officers and Superintendent was held Friday, March 18, 2:30 p. m. with Mrs. Webb. These meetings are found to be very profitable. A reception at the home of Mrs. Dr. Souders will be given by Central W. C. T. U. March 25th, afternoon and evening. The work is progressing.

Tippecanoe County Union held a reception at the home of Mrs. Dr. Souders, 611 South street, LaFayette, on Friday and Saturday afternoons and evenings. The White Ribbons are cold water people, but the steady down pour Friday was a little too much at a time, hence a continuation over to Saturday. The house was beautiful with potted plants and cut flowers; in the dining room were yellow jonquils and tulips and in the coffee room were white ones. Yellow and white knots of ribbon were given as favors. The hostess and the presidents of the various unions received the members of the unions, their husbands and friends. There was a good attendance in spite of the inclemency of the weather and every one had a good time. A fine musical program was given and a generous silver offering taken.

The Grand Diamond Medal Contest given on the evening of March 2 in Wysor's Grand Opera House in Muncie, was given under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. for the benefit of the County Hospital Fund. The use of the Opera House was donated. The contest was very largely attended by a most representative audience, nearly all the seats on the lower floor being taken at fifty cents each. The five contestants represented as many counties in our State. Miss Vesta Simmons, of DeSoto, was awarded the medal. The program was fine. Overture, High School Orchestra; Declaration, "Swore Off," Hazlip Clark, Indianapolis; Oration, "The Way of the World," E. R. Warne, Pendleton; Solo, L. H. Colvin; Oration, "Christian Patriotism," Miss Blanche Shepherd, Redkey; Oration, "The Enemy Under the Flag," Mr. Conn, Marion; Solo, Harry Paris; Oration, "The Court of Last Appeal," Miss Vesta Simmons, DeSoto; Piano Solo, Prof. Ira McKinney; Music, High School Orchestra. The judges were Mr. F. T. McWhirter, of Indianapolis; Prof. E. P. Trueblood, Richmond, and Miss Laura Quick, of Anderson.

At Bloomington the temperance people won a battle royal, extending over three days. By remonstrance three applicants for liquor license were defeated. All the saloons in Bloomington are in the First ward. In a month there will be at least four more applications made. The license and anti-license fight has just begun and every voter in the ward will be counted for or against the saloon. The cost of the trial will amount to \$100 or more and will be paid by the losing side.

At Bluffton Rev. Anna Shaw appeared before a large and appreciative audience in the M. E. Church and established a reputation as a profound and original thinker and an eloquent, graceful speaker. She is equally charming off the platform and has won many adherents. A burning conviction of the injustice of present social conditions, a quenchless enthusiasm in humanity's behalf, an unshakable faith in the ultimate conquest of right over wrong. Her field is the world and nearly every day in the week, often twice on Sunday, crowded audiences hang on the inspiring words, which drop like living coals from the lips of this woman consecrated to the work of God.

ARAMINTA BELLE HAWKER,
Wells County Press Superintendent.

The Salem W. C. T. U. held a Frances E. Willard Memorial service at the residence of Mrs. Alice H. Menaugh, March 17. The roll call was answered by quotations from Miss Willard's writings and the songs selected were her favorites. After reading the 20th Chapter of St. John and prayer by Mrs. Shrum, Mrs. Faulkner read a paper from the pen of Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, President of the National W. C. T. U. upon the life and character of our beloved chieftain, which was highly edifying; this was followed by short talks from others. Miss Carrie St. John, on behalf of her father, who was unable to be present, read a paper, a splendid eulogy on the life and service of Miss Willard. This paper was full of interest throughout and so greatly appreciated by those present that it was ordered to be published in full. Mrs. Mary Overman recited a beautiful poem written in memory of Miss Willard. Other members of the Union read choice and interesting selections. The meeting closed with prayer by Rev. Batchelor. While refreshments were being served Miss St. John rendered beautiful piano selections. A number of visitors and influential citizens were present. Many persons present were greatly impressed with the program and ceremonies of the afternoon and keenly felt, though she be dead, she still lives.

Marion County News—A very interesting memorial program was given by the Central Union, February 17, at the residence of Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand. A review of Bernie Babcock's book—the Uncrowned Queen, was read by Mrs. Gertrude Morrow. Mrs. Martha Gipe gave a most interesting talk on Madame Willard and her influence on her daughter's life. The musical program was furnished by Miss Thompson and Mrs. Bennett Kieler. Mrs. Brand served a very dainty lunch.

Francis E. Willard memorial was observed by Palmer Union, West Indianapolis, with an all day meeting. Forty guests were entertained. Mrs. McCain, Union President, presided. Papers and addresses were given by Mrs. Ada B. Leck, County President, Miss Gertrude Morrow, Mrs. Mary Moody and Rev. Hemmenway. Devotional exercises led by Rev. Anna Cox. Mrs. Leck spoke of a convention attended by her and of the request of Frances Willard that those present pledge themselves never to speak discouragingly of the work or disparagingly of the workers. This pledge and one to observe more strictly, the hour of noontide prayer, were taken by those present.

At the regular monthly meeting of Meridian Union Mrs. Mary Moody, County Superintendent of the Anti-Narcotic department, gave a talk on the alarming increase of cigarette smoking among children and the effect this habit is having upon their moral characters. Mrs. Carr conducted the devotional exercises.

A mass meeting was held by Broad Ripple Union, Sunday, March 20. Mrs. Carr and Mrs. Martha Gipe conducted the Mothers' Meeting, which was well attended and created much temperance sentiment.

Easter Evening in the West Branch Church, in the vicinity of the Marion Normal College, the Deer Creek W. C. T. U. held their annual free-will offering services for the benefit of the Hadley Industrial School for girls. Much interest and enthusiasm was manifested, as a beautiful program was rendered to a large and appreciative audience. Much interest was enlisted in the soliciting contest, previously inaugurated by the treasurer, making a loan of ten cents to each member as a talent fund and as an inducement to greater effort a beautiful bouquet of carnations was given to the one that could improve or enlarge their talent the greatest number of times. The result was very gratifying indeed, as the sealed envelopes were opened to see the dollars and cents begin to tumble all over each other in their haste to be counted. In short, more than \$40 were realized and while the Deer Creek Union is rejoicing with thankful hearts for the liberality and benevolence of our community, we also know that the dear girls at Hadley will reap great benefit in a practical way. The first prize, a beautiful bouquet of pink carnations, was awarded to Mrs. Sarah E. Thomas, whose envelope contained \$6.70. The second prize, a handsome basket of Easter eggs, was won by Mrs. Cora Drakemiller, whose talent had developed into \$6.10. Thus the good work goes on.

Kokomo Union celebrated their thirtieth anniversary March 18. In the Friend's Church, the same church where the meeting was held March 18, 1874, the same songs were sung and the same scripture lesson read, the 13th Chap., 1st Cor., Mrs. Emily Ellis conducting the devotional exercises. Minutes of the last meeting March 8 was read by our present Secretary, Mrs. Lydia Kirkpatrick and the minutes of the first meeting, held March 18, 1874, was read by Miss R. B. Street, the Secretary elected June, 1874. Roll call of all members from 1874 to 1877 showed the membership numbered 81. Nine of these were present: Mrs. J. G. Turner, Mrs. Emily Ellis, Miss R. B. Street, Mrs. M. J. H. Wooton, Mrs. Ruth Trueblood, Mrs. Hannah Hockett, Mrs. Debbie Hollowell, Miss Mattie Dixon and Mrs. Anna Hollowell. Five sent greetings, Mrs. Elizabeth Haskett, Mrs. L. B. Branson, of Chicago, Ill., Mrs. Mattie Newlin, of Westfield, Ind., Mrs. E. E. Dixon and Mrs. Mary Darnell, living in Kokomo, but not able to attend. Twenty-four did not respond but are living, the other forty three has passed to their reward. Paper, Our Work, Mrs. Ida M. Mix; Solo, Some Glad Day, Mrs. Henrietta Arnold. Two minute speeches by the crusaders and charter members of the Union. Paper, Our Victories, Miss Carrie Styer. A great deal of interest was manifested and several new members gained.

South Bend Chapin Park Union ladies were delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. C. Fassnacht, 601 Park avenue, Thursday afternoon, March 17. The meeting was in charge of the Mothers' department and was attended by eighty ladies. Following a delightful social hour an excellent program was rendered, Miss Huntsman opening with a piano solo, followed by a vocal selection by Mrs. Harter, after which Mrs. Priscilla Beyrer let in prayer. Mrs. C. Fassnacht, the County president, gave a most excellent address on Learn to Think, at the close of which she very justly observed that home is where the plastic mind of the child is trained and the character moulded and shaped. Mrs. Will Taylor then sang Mother's Prayer and Mrs. O. Cotton, President of the Union, gave an excellent paper upon Purity and Home Influence, which was followed by an animated discussion. Mrs. A. Staples gave a talk on the responsibility of mothers. A song Tell Mother I'll be There, was beautifully sung by Miss Ethel Barker, after which dainty refreshments were served and a social hour enjoyed. Chapin Park Union, under the leadership of our talented and sweet spirited President, Mrs. O. Cotton, is accomplishing much good work. New members are being added at every meeting and the aim is to gain fifty new members before state convention. The departments of Sabbath observance and Mothers' Meetings are being pushed vigorously. Clothing valued at thirty dollars was sent to the Hadley Home. This union is proud to claim as one of its members our enthusiastic County President who so wisely subscribes for the *New Crusader* for every boy in her large Sunday School class.

Marion County Board of Department Superintendents held their first conference in this year, February 10, at the residence of Mrs. E. G. Smith, in Indianapolis. Owing to the illness of Mrs. Carrie Quinn, President, Mrs. Ada B. Leck, County President, presided. Mrs. Leck spoke of the object of department superintendents, conferences and of the benefit derived from them by local workers. Mrs. Mary Moody spoke on Scientific Temperance Instruction, and gave a report of work done in Juvenile Court along Anti-Cigarette lines, also led a discussion on Household Economics. Miss Robertson, from Indianapolis Flower Mission, was presented by Miss Clara Metz. Miss Robertson gave a very interesting and instructive talk on the object and work of the mission, and asked the co-operation of local superintendents in friendly visiting. Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, State Corresponding Secretary, then talked of some of the most important subjects before temperance people at the present time, in her usual clear and forcible manner. The report of the Committee of Fifty and the Hepburn-Dolliver bill received the most attention. Mrs. Gipe, Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, gave an excellent plan of work for local superintendents. She urged a carefully prepared program, dealing with one subject for use at each meeting. Mrs. Frances Metz, Superintendent of L. T. L., gave her plan for physical culture and gymnasium work for senior L. T. L's. Mrs. Metz introduced Mrs. Guffrie, L. T. L. Secretary in Lucy Thurman Union, who told of the need of this work among her people. Mrs. Ellen Davis and Mrs. A. Geyer led the devotional exercises. This conference was well attended and much enjoyed.

IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. J. W. RIDGEWAY, LaPorte, has gone to her reward. Her work on earth ended March 21, when she was admitted to the home of the blest. Brother Ridgeway has the tenderest sympathy of the LaPorte W. C. T. U., of which she was a charter member, proving herself an efficient worker to the last.

In the going away of our dear friend, Mrs. J. W. Ridgeway, of LaPorte, the W. C. T. U. of Indiana has lost one of its truest, most generous and devoted friends. Mrs. Ridgeway gave most generously in the days of the Organizer Stock Co. and to the Fair Cottage and later to the Hadley Industrial School. The Library Room in the school bears her name. For years, through the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Ridgeway, the LaPorte W. C. T. U. has had most beautiful headquarters, consisting of several large rooms built purposely for their use in a fine business block on a main street. Our cause has lost a staunch friend and we are grieved. She has gained eternal rest and happiness. The MESSAGE extends cordial sympathy to the lonely bereaved husband, our friend, Mr. J. W. Ridgeway.

THE MESSAGE.

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LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

As it is nearing the time for our State L. T. L. Convention, which will be held on June 17 at Marion, Indiana, I take this opportunity through the MESSAGE to urgently ask each local Treasurer to please be prompt in sending in their dues, so that I may have them by the 15th day of June. Hoping we will have a good convention, I extend to all a most cordial invitation to be present.

NATHAN LENFESTY,
State Treasurer.

Marion, Ind.

L. T. L. CONVENTION.

Before this MESSAGE reaches you, all L. T. L. Branch Secretaries whose names have been sent to the State Secretary will have received a circular letter, but for fear some may not have gotten one, and also to bring the convention before all our minds, I call attention to it through the columns of the MESSAGE.

The Executive is especially anxious that every Senior Legion send its report to the different superintendents of departments. These superintendents are: Medal Contests, Miss Susie McWhirter, Greencastle; Anti-Gambling, James E. Mix, Kokomo; Anti-Narcotics, Fred. Carter, Westfield; Flower Mission, Miss Korilla Samse, Kokomo; Mercy, Ralph Rinard, Plymouth. We beg every Senior Legion in the State to send in reports to the above named superintendents. May we not expect full reports this year?

As our Corresponding Secretary has moved out of the State I will be glad, indeed, to receive any interesting item that is not included in your department reports.

The Voting Convention is composed of the general officers, State branch secretaries, local and county branch secretaries and all paid up graduates in attendance. This is according to Article 8 of our constitution and means that no one can have a vote in this convention unless their 25 cent dues are paid to the Treasurer, Nathan Lenfesty, Marion, by June 15. All Seniors and Juniors are welcome as visitors.

And this leads me to say that I trust every Secretary of a Senior L. T. L. will bring those Seniors to the convention, whether they are graduates or not. You will be repaid many, many times by the increased enthusiasm which they will have for the Legion. There is wonderful inspiration in a State meeting. No L. T. L. Secretary can afford to miss it. My own heart is full of this convention, and I cannot but urge a large attendance from each Legion. Come early. Our time is very limited, and we must begin the program on time. Come, praying that God will bless our coming together. Sincerely yours in the L. T. L.

EDITH HILLIS,
State President.

WORLD'S FAIR TEMPERANCE HEADQUARTERS.

Temperance headquarters at the World's Fair will be in the Christian Endeavor Hotel, located at one of the gates of the fair grounds. In this immense hotel, with a daily capacity of more than 3,000 guests, one section has been secured for the W. C. T. U. headquarters. These rooms will be under the general hotel management, but will be personally superintended by Mrs. Piola Moore, formerly President of the Dexter (Mo.) W. C. T. U., and Miss Carrie Lee Carter, National lecturer and organizer for the W. C. T. U., both residing at the hotel and devoting their entire time to looking after the comfort of guests. It is a splendid location, adjoining an entrance to the fair, with direct street car service from the Union Station and all parts of the city. Rooms, \$1.00 per day; room and board, \$2.00 per day if secured now by the purchase of \$1.00 charter certificates. Only persons holding these certificates will be entitled to the special rate named.

The Christian Endeavor Hotel has the best location in the city, and is the nearest to the center of the Exposition Grounds. There will be no time lost waiting and struggling for street cars, waiting in line to buy gate tickets, which can be secured at the hotel counter. A postoffice will be located in the hotel.

For charter certificates or information apply to Miss Carrie Lee Carter, 1522 Chemical Building, St. Louis, Mo.

Y. W. C. T. U.

Mary Hadley Y., of Terre Haute, held a woman's suffrage debate. The affirmative (ladies) scored 83 points; negative, 44 points. The room was decorated with woman's suffrage colors, which the young men draped in mourning, but when the score came in for the ladies, with due respect the young men removed the crape. Another debate will soon be held at one of the regular meetings.

Anderson Y., on the 18th, held a Kara Smart social, the program consisting of the best talent in the city. The city teachers, official board of the M. E. Church, the ministers and wives and the editors of the city press and wives were invited. Light refresh-

ments were served. One new member was gained, and a free will offering taken for the world's work.

Will each local Union that held a meeting in the interest of the world's work April 14 please let me know and the amount of the free will offering? Let me say again to local Treasurers, be collecting the dues every opportunity you have, so we can have a full paid membership list and see how many new members we can gain between this and September 15, the close of the year.

Prepare to hold a public Flower Mission meeting and take an offering for the work. Write Miss Luella McWhirter, of Greencastle, our State Superintendent of this department, for her plan and then carry it out.

With love, prayers and best wishes for the success of our Y. W. C. T. U. work, I am your co-worker,

CLARA M. SEARS,
Y. Superintendent.

CHANGE OF DATE.

W. C. T. U. Day at the Island Park Assembly at Rome City will be on August 11 instead of August 3, as heretofore announced, as it will be more convenient for our beloved National President, Mrs. Stevens, and Miss Anna Gordon, who will accompany her. Remember, dear sisters, to plan an outing at this beautiful summer resort so as to be with us at that time, Thursday, August 11.

FLOWER MISSION.

On June 9, the birthday of Jennie Casseday—Flower Mission Day—will be celebrated all over the world by the W. C. T. U. How many hearts may be touched by the bright blossoms to receive the message, the tiny text! May each W. C. T. U. member help in this wonderful and beautiful work, so as to accomplish greater results than ever before. Let each Local Superintendent plan to make five hundred bouquets. Of course this can only be done by each member assisting. A competent committee should be appointed to solicit and collect blossoms and then to make the bouquets and tie on the text cards with white ribbon.

Each County Superintendent is responsible for the visitation of every county institution. She will obtain permission for the W. C. T. U. to hold services and distribute flowers. And then she will arrange for some certain Union to carry out the plan.

Each Local Superintendent, of course, will plan for the observance of Flower Mission day at the jail, free kindergarten, poor farm and any other such institution in or near the town. If a few copies of the Program for Flower Mission services are procured from Miss Sewall, 330 Massachusetts avenue, Boston, Mass., the services will be very easily arranged. Then there are the poor and sick to be remembered.

In some towns, where there are no public institutions, there may be flowers to spare, and they are surely needed in Indianapolis, where the reformatory, jail, orphans' asylums, hospitals, missions, car barns and so many other places can scarcely be supplied. All who can send bright flowers to the city address them to the Young Men's Christian Association, 33 N. Illinois street, Indianapolis, Ind. The express company will carry flowers free, if properly tagged for Flower Mission.

The National Superintendent has undertaken the great responsibility of having bouquets with text cards distributed all over the grounds at the World's Fair. Each State is asked to contribute toward the fund for this plan. Indiana surely responds to this appeal. Twenty-five cents of a collection taken in each Union is requested to be sent to me by each Local Superintendent. I will then send it to Miss Sewall. Only a few have sent any contributions, so I am waiting for others to help. Each Union will wish to do all that is possible for Flower Mission Day.

Let us all join heartily into the celebration of this great day—June 9—and make its observance a fitting memorial to Him who was the inspiration of Jennie Casseday in originating this beautiful movement.

MISS LUELLA S. MCWHIRTER,
Greencastle, Ind. State Superintendent.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

In the March MESSAGE I offered a prize of a year's subscription to the *American Sunday* to the five County Superintendents sending in best reports of work done in the quarter ending March 15. After a careful examination of the reports sent in I am enabled to say that the following named persons are entitled to the prize: Mrs. B. A. Helm, North Manchester; Mrs. W. A. Ramsey, Bedford; Mrs. R. C. Travis, Elkhart; Mrs. J. P. Parker, Morgantown; Mrs. Martha Orr, Otterbein. These subscriptions will begin with the March issue.

Central Union, of Indianapolis, is doing some excellent missionary work in addition to the good local work they are accomplishing. One of their workers moved to Warren County, and while there is no Union in the community in which she lives she has kept up

her Sabbath Observance work and has had signed 500 pledge cards. Another member from Indianapolis Central has used 150 pledge cards in Boone County.

Reports from over the State are very encouraging. At Gas City a petition to the council and the police department is in circulation, asking that the Sunday laws be enforced. Would not this be an excellent plan for other cities and towns to adopt?

KATIE WERT HOLLER,
South Bend. State Supt. Sabbath Observance.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ONE DOLLAR HADLEY FUND.

Mrs. Nettie Ware, Fairmount.....	\$1.00
Miss Addie M. Dare, ".....	1.00
Miss Mary E. Pearson, ".....	1.00
Mrs. Rebecca Jane Corn, Fowlerton.....	1.00
Mrs. Nettie Seale, ".....	1.00
Mrs. Mata Buller, ".....	1.00
Miss Carry Simons, ".....	1.00
Mrs. Joshua Hadley, Mooresville.....	1.00
Mrs. Mary A. Moody, Indianapolis.....	1.00
Mrs. Lida Outland, Upland.....	1.00
Miss Laura G. Cammack, Converse.....	1.00
Mrs. Mary Overman, Campbellsburg.....	1.00
Mrs. Nancy Baker, ".....	1.00
Previously reported.....	13.00

These gifts are greatly appreciated. Every dollar represents kindness and love for our Hadley School.

MRS. MATTIE E. H. CHANDLER,
Mooresville, Ind. Treasurer.

HEALTH, HEREDITY AND PHYSICAL CULTURE.

This department needs active, well equipped workers. There are helps in literature that will help all workers not knowing just how to do the work. Every year there are meetings held in Unions that are not directly reported to me and consequently are lost in the year's accounting. Superintendents should be sure to keep account of the following points:

1. Literature distributed.
2. Public lectures.
3. Physical training classes.
4. Is physical training included in public school curriculum?
5. How many young women's colleges and seminaries in your county?
6. How many have an equipped gymnasium?
7. Is the training required of the students?
8. Do the public schools conduct examinations of eyes and ears?
9. How many W. C. T. U. convention programs have included this topic?
10. How many have conducted respite exercises?
11. Have physicians manifested interest?
12. Study practical hygiene as relating to dress, food, air, exercise, ventilation, recreation, rest, sleep, mental discipline, government of the emotions, control of the passions, cleanliness and temperance.

Write to me for helps, etc. The *Journal of Public Health*, C. P. Wood, 108 Powell avenue, Evansville, Ind., is a journal that I recommend as excellent by way of teaching prevention of disease. This department is a mighty force in bringing about temperance conditions and prevention of disease and drunkenness, and we must push it as never before. Please let me hear from anybody who is interested, whether a superintendent or not, and it may open a way to put this work in your locality.

Remember what Frances Willard said of this department: Teaching the great doctrine of physical holiness.

CLARA AGNES BOYD,
Rockville, Ind. State Superintendent.

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

I come to you, dear White Ribboners of Indiana, urging upon you the needs of this department. Will not our State lead in this work for the sake of the noble boy away from a mother's heart of love; for the husband who, for the lack of sympathy and help of a loving wife, may fall into habits of dissipation? Easily influenced. Satan finds work for idle hands. We plead for these, perhaps discouraged and lonely men, so far from home and loved ones. Dear Superintendents of this department, here is an open door for work in our department. Our duty is commensurate with our opportunity. Mrs. Thacker has offered a premium to the State providing the greatest number of Comfort Bags this year. To this I add I will give a premium to the county furnishing the greatest number.

The nearest quarter-master is located at Columbus, Ohio, and boxes, properly packed, if sent to Quarter-master of U. S. A., Columbus, will be forwarded by him free of cost. Report all work done, or money sent, to me so you may have proper credit in the State work. Will you not answer this call at once?

JULIA OVERMAN,
State Superintendent.

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All business communications should be addressed to, and all remittances made payable to Miss Alice R. Palmer, State Treasurer, Franklin, Ind.

MRS. LUELLA F. MCWHIRTER, Editor,
Rosabower, Greencastle, Ind.

JUNE, 1904.

Prince Pu Lun, of China, who has been a guest of Indianapolis, is heir apparent to the throne of the Empire. During his stay in Indianapolis he has been greatly interested in the educational institutions, among them the Girls' Classical School, where by invitation of Mrs. May Wright Sewall, he was present at the graduation exercises and presented the diplomas to the graduating class. No doubt what he has seen and learned in regard to the education of girls and women will cause him to lend his influence toward the betterment of womanhood in China.

Mrs. Stevens and Miss Gordon, our beloved National President and Vice-President, will be at Island Park, Rome City, Assembly on August 11. Every White Ribboner within a hundred miles should arrange to be there with the temperance host on that day. The Wabash, Clover Leaf, L. E. & W. and G. R. & I. railroads will carry our people. It would be practical for unions or individuals to arrange for excursions. There would be money in such an arrangement for the union or person making the arrangement, as well as a cheaper rate for those going. We must rally our forces at Island Park on August 11.

A MOTHER GONE.

Our dear State Treasurer, Miss Alice R. Palmer, is bereft of her aged mother. Mrs. Palmer passed peacefully away the night of May 7. The widow of N. S. Palmer, a Presbyterian minister, she has devoted her life to her daughters and has been their close friend and counselor. Their home is now desolate and our hearts ache for them. Loving sympathy is extended from White Ribbon sisters to our State Officer, the faithful, loving daughter, Miss Alice R. Palmer and her sisters at this time of great sorrow. With the great solace which comes from a knowledge of a useful and beautiful life her memory lingers with those who knew her best like a delightful fragrance and her children rise up to call her blessed. Mrs. Palmer was a member of the Franklin W. C. T. U. ever since its organization in 1884, though for the past ten years she could not be an active worker. Her illness began in November. Almost her last words were: "Give my love to everybody."

NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION.

The patent medicine campaign, which is now on in full force and is being vigorously pushed by patent medicine venders and druggists, is of vast importance to every one of us who believe in the protection of our homes and loved ones. How I wish I might in some way impress upon you so strongly the very great importance of this work that not another day might go by without steps being taken by you and your Union for a special, systematic, organized campaign against this hidden foe—the so-called patent medicines. If a single member of your Union thinks a non-alcoholic medication program would be uninteresting, let me disabuse your minds. You will find it very, very interesting. If your programs are already printed and no meeting planned on this subject, pray, plan for an extra meeting. An interesting program can be quickly arranged from the book—*Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine*. The question leaflet recently printed by Mrs. Allen is fine and greatly aids in the preparation of the program. Let me suggest that your first program be on the Patent Medicine Chapter. If you have no book, I can furnish you one on short notice. The price is \$1.25. It is invaluable. Have you read the article entitled *The Patent Medicine Curse*, in the May issue of the *Ladies' Home Journal*, and the reply in the *Union Signal* of May 5? The Plan of Work given in the non-alcoholic issue of the MESSAGE for January was for a systematic house-to-house distribution of literature. Distribute one kind of a non-alcoholic leaflet one month and another kind the next, etc. When you take the second leaflet, take also a pledge and devotion card and leave it. The third time you call you will receive donations and secure many new and interested members. Be sure to wear your white ribbon.

The cold weather is past and house-cleaning about done. Cannot you begin at once? Through the

kindness of Nathan S. Davis, M. D., of Chicago, the best authority on this subject and who wrote the leaflet, and through the Ramee Chemical Company, of South Bend, who placed an advertisement of a flavoring extract with me, I will furnish you this leaflet at a very small cost—50 cents for 500. If less than 500 are ordered the price will be 15 cents per 100. I do this because of my great anxiety for you to take up this work. It is a fine leaflet and you miss an opportunity if you do not order at once. If you want to send stamps for postage when ordering the 500, they will be greatly appreciated and will help your State Superintendent to push her work.

If you have not already read the National Superintendent's article in the *Union Signal* of April 28, please do so and note her plan for legislative work. She has reduced the price of her leaflet—*The Danger and Harmfulness of Patent Medicines*—to \$5.50 per 1,000, so that unions may be able to use it in the campaign that she is planning for next winter.

The Ramee Chemical Company offers liberal terms to agents for selling their powdered flavoring extracts. Write to them for terms. If your Superintendent or Union, as a Union, would take an agency the profits from sales would aid you very much financially. You could by this means pay for all needed literature for your educational campaign against patent medicines. There are few ladies who do not use some kind of flavoring extracts. Call their attention to the fact that nearly every liquid extract contains a large per cent of alcohol. Urge them to give the powdered extracts a trial and help to banish everything containing alcohol from the kitchen, as well as from the medicine chest. Address the Ramee Chemical Company, South Bend, Ind., for terms to agents.

Sincerely yours for an educational campaign. May I count you as one of the campaigners?

MRS. A. T. WHITSON,
State Superintendent.

PRESS.

You have probably all seen in our State paper and in the *Union Signal* of the danger attending young women going alone to the St. Louis Exposition.

The message in these papers is effective so far as it reaches, but we can make it much farther reaching by setting forth the subject in our local county and secular papers.

To this end, I wish you, my County and Local Superintendents, would write warnings of this danger awaiting unprotected girls in St. Louis and send to every paper that you can reach.

Mrs. M. E. Otto, 2813 Lucas ave., St. Louis, is the Local Superintendent of Purity, and she and her assistants will meet trains and assist any women and girls who require help.

Women and girls wanting respectable lodgings in St. Louis can also apply to the W. C. T. U., Centenary M. E. church, Sixteenth and Pine streets; the Salvation Army, Eighth and Walnut streets; the Queen's Daughters' Home, 111 North Sixteenth street; Evangelical Lutheran City Mission Society, 1704 Market street and Travelers' Aid W. C. T. U. Association, 1814 Washington avenue.

Dear co-workers, now is the time for action. Lose no time in writing and talking about this grand work of protection for our sisters who will be enticed to St. Louis. Let us do our part to stay the hand of vice which is reaching out for our sisters to lead them to lives of sin and death. Let us feel our responsibility and act at once. I feel sure that I do not appeal to you in vain.

For reports of this and other work done by you I am anxiously waiting. Yours for utilizing the press,
MISS LAURA G. CAMMACK,
State Superintendent.

Converse, Ind.

S. T. I. RALLY.

Our Press Correspondent was unable to attend our Public School Temperance Rally, held here at Guilford, Dearborn county, February 20 and no report was made of it. As it was an experiment with a view to county work, Mrs. Ella Krott, our County President, has asked me to tell about it.

The rally was an all-day meeting in the M. E. church, with a basket dinner spread in a hall nearby. We had a good time all day with a full house in the afternoon.

The object of the meeting was to stimulate the interest in temperance in the schools and among school patrons.

The program consisted of papers on Temperance Teaching in the Schools, by a teacher and a local physician, an address by Prof. R. N. Hargitt, Principle of Schools, Cochran, Ind.; a recitation by a teacher and songs and recitations by pupils from several neighboring schools. These exercises were supplemented by short talks by three or four citizens. We are sure the effect was good and feel encouraged to urge the other Unions of the county to each hold a rally early in the school term next year. We hope to make our own next meeting even better than the first. No doubt, in some cases, an evening meeting might be more successful. All details must be left to the judgment of the individual Superintendent. We tried to put on the program only those connected with schools as teachers, pupils, patrons or officers.

We are planning a prize essay feature for the rallies.

ALTA K. HANSELL,
Dearborn County Superintendent S. T. I.

FIELD NOTES.

Miss Addie Smith, of Campbellsburg, Ind., the former solicitor for Hadley School, has accepted a position as Assistant Superintendent of the Hudson Home of Ewing, Ill. She will travel in Southern Indiana and Eastern Illinois. Any of the White Ribbon sisters knowing of needy children or childless homes will please communicate with her.

Fowlerton Union held a double contest May 15 at 2:30 P. M., a matrons' and a baby silver medal contest, which furnished a very interesting program. Mrs. James Chapman won first prize in the matron and Gale Smith the baby first prize. Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, our beloved ex-State President, was with us and gave an inspiring talk. Four women joined our ranks, and many more are under conviction. We are having a membership contest.

Goshen Y's Program—Some 'practical work for the Flower Mission Committee, Miss Sarah Manahan. What can we do to hold our membership during the summer months? Joy Bethel Plans for raising money, Blanch Gilbert and Carrie Nusbaum. Discussion to follow each topic. Cocoa and wafers to be served. I like the plan so much of this wide-awake Y. that I want all our girls to know.

CLARA M. SEARS.

Friday, April 15, at Miss Eliza Baker, 223 Waldron street, West Lafayette, a business meeting of the local unions and county officers and superintendents was held. It was interesting and enthusiastic. It was decided to enter a protest as to the sale of intoxicants at the Fair Ground and to see that the State law is observed. We believe this to be the most decisive meeting held for a long time and the incoming months are anxiously awaited by all.

Thursday, April 28, members of LaFayette and Central Unions met with the new Union at the Monon Shop Addition. An interesting program had been prepared by Mrs. Freeman Seney and Miss Kate Gregory. The meeting was well attended and two new members were added. The new union was named the Monon Addition Union and it is hoped many honorary members will be brought in who are prominent and whose interests are with the Monon Shop Addition.

Spencer Union held a medal contest at the Armorial Hall, presided over by Mrs. M. I. Heavenridge, the president. A large assemblage of the best citizens listened with interest to the exercises, composed of the speeches of the seven contestants and vocal and instrumental music. Awarding the prize was a difficult task, as all the speakers nearly reached the standard of excellence set by the judges. However, after due deliberation, the medal was presented to Miss Carrie Kenerleben.

Linwood Union held its anniversary May 3, at the Friends' Church, west of Radley. Ex-State President Mrs. Eunice Wilson was present and delivered an interesting address. This union had held three silver medal and one gold medal contest since New Year's day, 1904.

Marion County—The most important event in W. C. T. U. circles in Marion County during the month of April, was the lecture given by Rev. Anna Shaw. Miss Shaw has a charming personality, while her lectures are both witty and convincing.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, our loved Vice-President, gave the most eloquent speech of her life while upholding suffrage for women before the Prohibition convention held in Tomlinson Hall, Indianapolis. Mrs. Stanley received good notices from all the daily papers.

One Cigarette League in Indianapolis has adopted resolutions condemning the violation of the cigarette law in Indiana. This League will bring Miss Cole to the city in June to assist in their efforts to create sentiment in favor of having the tobacco laws enforced.

The Y.'s of Marion County, under the leadership of Miss Mabel Benson, are having very enjoyable and instructive sessions.

At Waterford on May 4 Mrs. Vayhinger made an address and organized a union of nine members. In the evening of the same day she spoke in the First M. E. Church in Michigan City to an interested audience.

Oxford Union observed Frances Willard's Heavenly birthday February 21, with a very impressive and appropriate service and sent \$2.00 to the Memorial Fund.

Thursday, April 14, Miss Eliza Baker, our County President, and several ladies of the Central and LaFayette Unions, organized a Union at the Monon Shop Addition of six members.

Mrs. Kathryn Wert Holler, our State Superintendent of Sabbath Observance and Associate National Superintendent of the Department, has written 308 letters and cards for the department since January 1.

Palmer Y., Indianapolis, mourns the loss, by sudden death, of Miss Nellie Losh, Flower Mission Superintendent. This beautiful young girl was an earnest White Ribboner and church member.

At Warsaw, Mrs. Vayhinger held a meeting on Saturday and Sunday evenings, having an immense audience on Sunday evening. Forty-six members were secured for the W. C. T. U.—Twenty-six active and twenty honoraries.

silver gray oratorical contest occupied the second evening and the white-haired speakers occasioned much applause. Mr. Samuel Mason, of Andrews, captured the prize and Miss Hildah Deighton, of Huntington, won the medal for singing. A large representation from the various unions attended, especially Huntington and Markle and an interurban car returning, was entirely filled with the visitors. A snug sum was netted for the treasury.

Steuben County Institute met at Ashley. Our cultured and capable State President, Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, was leader. The weather was decidedly bad, the roads still worse than the weather, and many of the delegates failed to be present, among them several of those on the program. This would seriously have interfered with the interest had it not been for the skill and ability of our leader in filling these empty places herself and drawing out those present who were not on the program. Good talks were made by Mrs. Woodhull, Mrs. Mary Burch, Mrs. Boor, Mrs. Shaw and others. Our ever faithful County President, Mrs. Willenar, was at her post urging us to greater and better work, ready, as usual, to do more than her share. Some of the work before our society in the State for the year is the holding of 650 medal contests, raising our membership 1,000, and, in connection with other temperance workers, the getting of 50,000 pledge signers. The Ashley Union received seven new active members and two honorary. With such a leader the W. C. T. U. is not likely to either die or go to sleep, and all hope we may have her in our county again.

Grant County has just held one of the most profitable Institutes in her history. Representatives from the Shugart Union met us at the door of the large and beautifully decorated U. B. Church in West Marion, on the afternoon of May 12. The greeting was so cordial that every one felt at home at once. Nothing was left undone that could add to our comfort during our stay. The Institute was large from the beginning to the close. Fifteen Unions were represented, besides our friends from the city and elsewhere. Mrs. Cammack Gibson, the leader, presided with her usual dignity and tact and was ably seconded by Mrs. Shugart, County President, and Mrs. Smith, County Secretary. The program outlined by our State Superintendent was carried out with the efficient help of Dr. Winchester, President of Taylor University; Dr. Hastings, of Fairmount; Charley Coffin, of Marion, and Thurlow Shugart, young son of the County President, with their good papers and talks, and many others with their word in season. At the diamond medal contest in the evening the prize was won by Miss Era Dikes, a young lady of so much ability and loyalty as a white ribboner that I feel sure our State W. C. T. U. will have cause to know more about in the future.

Marshall County Institute was held in Bourbon. The State President, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, was with us and was indeed an inspiration. Each subject on the program was ably discussed and the general discussions were very helpful. In spite of stormy weather, all feel that the Institute was the best ever held in Marshall county. Mrs. Vayhinger, in her pleasing and enthusiastic manner, addressed the interested audience on The Meaning of Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The second evening was to have been a gold medal contest, but was necessarily postponed; but the evening was a success. After a few well delivered recitations, Mrs. Vayhinger took the platform and in her own fascinating manner told of personal experiences in visiting prisons and other places where rum has worked such ruin. She discussed the temperance question and its effects on the financial condition of the home and nation in a masterful way. She begged us to look at the tragedies in life; we need not hunt in books for them and to not be satisfied with looking and grieving, but to do something to help such a state of affairs. She spoke to a crowded house and if perfect attention and thoughtful faces speak for the merit of a subject, Mrs. Vayhinger surely reached the heart of her audience. Nineteen new members were added to the list of W. C. T. U. members of Bourbon.

Delaware County Institute met at the M. E. Church in Avondale, a suburb of Muncie, with Mrs. Ada Wallace Unruh as leader. The program was followed as printed in the MESSAGE. Much interest was shown and the meetings were very spiritual throughout the entire Institute. In the evening Mrs. Unruh lectured on the American Boy, wherein she stated that people were more particular about their stock and more careful of their crops than the rearing of their children. Amanda Smith was present at one session and talked and sang. Mr. L. C. Masters, who worked so faithful as State organizer for the Prohibition party last year, was present and gave us an earnest talk on Can a Christian Sell or Use Tobacco? Dr. Shoemaker, of Muncie, talked at length on the subject of patent medicines, stating that they were manufactured so cheaply, and the greater per cent was cheap whiskey, that they did more harm than good to the person who took them. Mrs. Unruh spoke on Mothers' Problems. The W. C. T. U. of Delaware County wished that all the parents might have heard the splendid thoughts and truths that fell from this consecrated woman's lips. The medal contest was withdrawn on account of bad weather and the failure of some of the contestants to come. Mrs. Unruh talked and after songs and prayer the Institute closed, all present feeling stronger and better prepared for the battle against the world's great evils.

Tippecanoe County Institute was held at LaFayette, at the Baptist Memorial Chapel, Monon Addition. Leader, Mrs. Rose Pearce. One year ago, on May 12, occurred the dedication of the Y. M. C. A. building at the Monon Addition. The W. C. T. Unions of LaFayette served refreshments to the vast crowd and pinned little white ribbon bows on all. At this time the Y. M. C. A. opened its doors to our Institute and a most interesting session was held in their building. The evening meeting was held at Baptist Memorial Chapel, many gentlemen being in the audience. Mrs. Pearce made an able address. The Institute sessions were held on the last day in Trinity M. E. church. Though the weather was inclement, the attendance was good. Many interesting subjects were presented and discussed, greatly to the benefit of those present. The splendid lecture in the evening was to a good house. Those present can never get very far away from Mrs. Pearce's address on the Twentieth Century Boy, which was most inspiring and convincing in regard to duty. Under the leadership of Miss Eliza Baker, the work of the County Unions is steadily advancing.

Madison County Institute was held at Elwood. Mrs. Ada Wallace Unruh being the leader and Mrs. Retta Jones president. Besides the regular routine of work, Miss Tupman, of Anderson, gave some very beautiful readings, and Miss Breakman sang the sweetest songs. Mrs. Unruh proved to be a marvelous help throughout the convention. In connection with the Great Social Problem, opened for discussion by Mrs. McMahan, resolutions adopted by the Anderson Ys. were read to the effect that We, as a Christian Temperance Union, do all in our power to counteract the terrible white slave traffic which will be engaged in at the World's Fair by warning and advising all young girls and young men in our vicinity who contemplate visiting St. Louis during the exposition and direct all such to proper and respectable lodgings, also to urge the presentation of the matter wherever possible. In the evening Mrs. Unruh delivered the lecture, That Old Bachelor. Mrs. Breakman rendered a fine vocal solo, Miss Lupman gave a reading, and the Elwood Quartet rendered the selection, Rock of Ages. It was recommended that each local Union hold a Flower Mission meeting once a quarter. Resolutions of sympathy were drafted and sent to Mother Starkey and Mrs. Kreiger, whose homes have been visited by death. One question discussed during the morning was, Should Each State Have a Law Requiring the Ingredients of Patent Medicines to be Placed on the Bottles? The Co-operation of Temperance Forces was discussed in the afternoon. Miss Clara Sears acted as secretary throughout the convention, Mrs. Cascadden being kept at home because of sickness in the family.

St. Joseph County Institute was held at South Bend. Our State President, Mrs. Vayhinger, was with us and added greatly to the interest of the meetings. The afternoon and evening sessions were well attended. The feature of the first night's meeting was the address by Mrs. Vayhinger on a Misspent Trust. She handled her subject in an able manner, emphasizing the fact that to America has been given a great store house of wealth. Upon the way in which we spend this trust depends the prosperity of our nation. She illustrated clearly that a large part is spent for what degrades our people and throws criminals, idiots, paupers and orphans back upon the county and state to be cared for. At the afternoon sessions some very excellent papers were read and discussed. Many helpful suggestions were brought out in the papers and they should be given a much wider circulation. The second evening's session was in the nature of a platform symposium, and the following subjects were discussed: Can the Church Banish the Saloon? by Rev. C. C. Travis. The Relation of Temperance to the Medical Profession, by Dr. J. W. Milligen. Economics of the Liquor Traffic, by Mr. Zena Leonard. Does the Prosperity of the Church Demand Special Activity in the Cause of Temperance? by Rev. H. B. Hosteter. Responsibility of the Citizen, by Hon. Chas. F. Holler. Interspersing these subjects was a variety of special music. The attendance was good, interest intense, collections fine, weather delightful, and altogether our Institute was a grand success. Mrs. C. Fassnacht, our County President, presided at all the meetings. Representatives from all the Unions in the county were present.

Dearborn County Institute was held at Lawrenceburg in the Presbyterian church. Mrs. C. M. Croft, County President, in the chair. Mrs. M. E. Haughton, leader. An excellent program was carefully carried out. The importance of the following departments was presented by their Superintendents: Non-Alcoholic Medication, Press, Jail and Prison, Literature. The work done in the jail especially being of great interest. Mrs. Evans, of Cold Springs, read a good paper on How can Our Cause be Advanced by the Sunday School? Mrs. Flora Gough, of Lawrenceburg, read a paper which was followed by discussion. Our Home Beautiful at Hadley, Our Constitutional Obligation, by Mrs. R. A. Perlee, was most interesting. Co-operation of the Temperance Forces by the Church, Rev. Baker, Rev. Cramer and Rev. Croft. The School, by Mr. E. G. Roll, of Guilford. Young People's Societies, by Miss Jessie Stout, of Dillsboro. The Committee of Fifty, by Miss Alta Hansell, of Guilford. A general discussion followed. Mr. W. T. Gooden, editor of the Lawrenceburg Register, was present and introduced. The Loyal Tem-

perance Legion was in evidence during the meetings. Their music was appreciated and inspiring. To have the Legioners help in serving the guests at dinner and supper was a unique feature. The music by Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Faulkner, of Aurora, Miss Mabel Gold, of Lawrenceburg, Miss Elizabeth Scherger and Miss Tillie Vogel, Robert Kirsh and Rev. Cramer of Lawrenceburg, was all much enjoyed. A pledge of \$22.00 was made to assist in liquidating the debt on Hadley School. Seven new members were secured. One subscriber for the Union Signal. Six Unions were represented in the Institute. A deep spiritual feeling seemed to prevail through all the sessions. On the first evening, Mrs. M. E. Haughton delivered an address on The Christian's Attitude Toward Sin. This was one of the most inspiring temperance addresses that it has ever been our privilege to hear. The audience was large and attentive. The gold medal contest was a great success. The medal was awarded to C. A. Mulford, of Moore's Hill.

Marion County Semi-Annual Convention and Institute was held in the People's Congregational church, Indianapolis. County President, Mrs. Ada B. Leck, in the chair. The President's report shows much personal work done by her and was received with appreciation. Department Superintendents were nearly all present and had good reports from the local Unions. Their own work has been faithfully done in nearly every instance. Mrs. Ada B. Leck was made chairman of a committee consisting of the Marion county officers and Mrs. Amanda Whitson, Mrs. Frances Metz, Mrs. Frances Williams and Mrs. Mary Moody, to investigate the rumor that a new vice syndicate has been formed in St. Louis and to formulate plans for the protection of girls passing through Indianapolis to the St. Louis fair. At the opening session of the Institute, great sadness prevailed when Mrs. H. W. Brand announced that Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer could not be present, as her mother had just gone home to heaven. Mrs. Brand asked that a service of prayer be held for the purpose of asking God to comfort and help Miss Palmer in her great sorrow. Mrs. Leck then spoke of Mrs. Brand's kindness in consenting to become our leader. The Prohibition candidate for State Statistician, Mr. Cowgill, spoke on Shall Each State have a Law Requiring the Ingredients of Patent Medicines Placed on the Bottle or Package? Mr. Cowgill advised the elimination of the word patent, as so few of these nostrums are patented. Mrs. Whitson will bring this matter before the next State legislature. Mrs. Martha Gipe, in speaking of Mothers' Problems, said God is the only refuge of the mother. Rev. Anna Cox, who led the evangelistic hour, urged that the emphasis be placed on the C in speaking of our organization, as the word Christian overshadowed and embraced them all. In the Symposium, Co-operation of Temperance People with the Church, Rev. Levi White; the School, Miss Gertrude Morrow; Temperance Organization, Mrs. H. W. Brand; Medical Societies, Dr. Rachel Swain; Young People's Societies, Miss Marie Leck; Press, Mr. Edward Clark. Much food for thought was given the suggestions given by Rev. White and Mr. Clark, being very practical. Mrs. Brand presented the subject which shall live, Scientific Temperance Instruction in our Public Schools, or the report of the Committee of Fifty? This is a subject of vital interest to women in Marion county. One hundred copies of the Reply were given out by Mrs. Brand to ladies who volunteered to place them in the school houses in their vicinity. Mrs. Frances Metz visited the school house near the church and had the room full of children both evenings after the Institute. A Senior and Junior Legion has been organized in West Indianapolis during the spring months. She hopes to organize both Legions in the locality of the convention. Mrs. Hattie W. Brand recited Jim and Joe Monday evening. The touching story was well rendered and well received. Ten contestants participated in the Matrons' silver medal contest. Mrs. M. Werner won the medal. The Prohibition Alliance Quartette furnished the music, including the solo, If I Were a Voice. Mrs. Clarissa Metz gave a recitation while the judges were out. Miss Lucie Clark presented Mrs. Zella Kiffer, President of Clara Sears Y. with sixteen Y. song books. The devotional exercises were led, during different sessions, by Mrs. E. Smith, Mrs. Belle White, Mrs. Fannie Kelso, Mrs. E. G. Cornelius and Miss Mabel Benson, County Y. Superintendent. The departments were ably presented by the County Superintendents. The convention was well attended and every subject presented met with intelligent interest and discussion. Representatives of the four daily papers were in the room most of the time and gave very fair press notices.

IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. MATTIE KIGER departed this life March 25, 1904. She had been a great sufferer, but bore it all with Christian patience. She was a faithful member of the Oxford Union; was County Superintendent of Christian Citizenship. We bow in humble submission to God's will. The Union participated in the funeral services.

MRS. MATHENY—Spencer Union has suffered an irreparable loss in the death of Mrs. Elizabeth Matheny. She had been a worker more than thirty years and was one of the first crusaders in New Albany, then her home. Her enthusiasm for the cause, her presence at every meeting, her contributions to the programs would put many a younger member to shame for lagging in interest—for be it known, this dear lady was over eighty-five years of age and her last words spoken in public were for the cause of temperance at the W. C. T. U. meeting the afternoon before she was stricken with paralysis. We are sure if she could have expressed a preference for a last message it would have been to the W. C. T. U. and the temperance cause so dear to her heart while living.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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THE GOVERNMENT AND "BLIND PIGS."

Much is being made by pro-liquor papers of the numerous "blind pigs" said to abound in prohibition States or no license communities, but nothing is said about the part the Federal Government plays in tolerating such violations of law in every State where there are prohibition districts. Every blind pig has what is called an Internal Revenue liquor tax receipt, given to the seller of liquor whether he proposes to sell under State or local laws or in violation of them. Internal Revenue officers are so conspicuously and, by contrast with most State and local officers, so refreshingly diligent in their pursuit of those who try to dodge the payment of the Government tax that few persons venture to sell liquor without having settled with the Government and taken its receipt; the display of which permits them to do business without molestation by the Internal Revenue officers.

Whatever may be said as to the legal rights of the Federal Government to impose and collect taxes, the moral right of the Federal Government to encourage as it does this violation of State laws has been and is very emphatically questioned. It is no part of the Federal Government's business to assist in the enforcement of State laws; but it is its business to see that it does not foster law-breaking. In theory the State could enforce its laws as well as the Government enforces its own, but in fact no State does so. Consequently the undeniable truth is that in giving its receipt for the sale of liquors in prohibition States or districts the Government licenses law-breaking. There is no use in befogging that unpleasant fact with technical distinctions. Every one knows that if the blind-piggers were not permitted to pay a tax to do business in a prohibition State mightily few of them would dare to engage in the illegal traffic.—*National Advocate.*

The Massachusetts State Board of Health finds that the following patent medicines contain the percentages given of alcohol: Green's Nervura, 17.2; Hood's Sarsaparilla, 18.8; Scheck's Seawood Tonic, 19.5; Brown's Iron Bitters, 19.7; Kaufman's Sulfur Bitters, 20.5; Paine's Celery Compound, 21.0; Burdock Blood Bitters, 25.2; Ayer's Sarsaparilla, 26.2; Warner's Safe Tonic Bitters, 35.7; Parker's Tonic, 41.6; Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, 44.3; Peruna, 23.5; Lydia Pinkam's Vegetable Compound, 16.8.

Is it beyond the truth to say that alcohol causes from one-third to one-half of all the criminals, defectives, insane and dependents which the State is compelled to support? What proportion of these are the products of the patent medicine syndicates no one can tell. It is surely large. Note especially that it is only by government protection that the alcoholic nostrum traffic is carried on. This is a profitable business for the syndicates so long as the State will care for their pauperized victims. How long will it continue to do so?

IN INDIANA.

There were 1,724 more saloons in 1902 than in 1896 and the decrease the past year has been exactly 120, but all of this came in the first half of 1903, for there was an increase in the last half of 1903 of 88 over the last half of 1902. Since the year following the enacting of the Nicholson law there has been a gradual increase of saloons, except that the abnormal increase of 231 during the first half of 1902, which could not sustain themselves, makes a seeming decrease the past year, but there are 172 more saloons in the State now than in 1901.—*Patriot Phalanx.*

Our White Ribboners and all temperance people should refuse patronage to grocers who sell alcoholic drinks. There is a heavy trade in bottled goods by the groceries in the cities.

FROM THE PRESIDENT.

We are entering upon the last quarter of the year. Only a few short weeks and we will be called upon for our final report of work done this year. From the letters which I have received from you, I feel sure that you have had large plans and high ideals for the work. Do not allow the time of in-gathering to slip upon you and find your plans still unaccomplished, your ideals above you, but rather let us do more than we have even dared to dream.

I wish each woman in the State would take down her annual report and just now read the Plan of Work on page 55 and answer the question, What has my Union done to work the plan? How much of the 1,000 gain in membership will be credited to your Union? Do not be satisfied with less than five if you are in a small place; if in a large one, with less than fifty. I feel very anxious that our work shall be strengthened in the county seats. These should be the centers of strength in the counties. If you are so fortunate as to live in one of these, will you not plan for special services in the churches on Sunday and follow with house to house visiting, inviting the women to join us? I believe we can have a thousand

women in our county seats for the asking. While other societies and clubs are taking a vacation, let us press our work more strenuously, for our opponent, the saloonkeeper, will take no vacation.

At this time, Indiana leads the nation in contest work, but Illinois has set her standard at 1,000 and is working for it, so we must even pass our 650 mark if we are to carry the National banner home with us. I trust the Unions having access to country school houses will not be satisfied with giving a contest once, but will repeat it in these country places, thus giving the defeated contestants an opportunity to try again, as well as bringing information of our work to these rural districts.

The Goshen Y. has solved the problem of contests in the city by holding them in the homes and taking a silver offering. They pay for their medal and put money in their treasury in this way.

I feel confident that more contests have been held in the State than have been reported to Mrs. Steele. Remember, we get no credit for contests which are not reported to her, so if you have failed to report your contest, please do so before you lay this paper down.

I want next month to tell you just the amount paid into the Frances Willard memorial fund by us and I trust if you have not sent in your \$2.00 you will do so.

I am very sorry that the freight agent at Indianapolis refuses to do anything about shipping charges for Hadley goods. He simply ignores the letters. I am glad to see some money reported on the debt, but trust it will increase more rapidly than it has in the past two months. Ask your friends who do not belong to us to give on this.

May you plan largely for the summer months and work your plans. If I can be of any service to you, I will be glad to do anything I can to advance the work. Write me of your work.

CULLA. J. VAYHINGER.

Y. W. C. T. U.

The third quarterly report blanks have been sent to the local unions and we hope to have a full report and prompt one.

Not one of the unions have reported as yet, whether they held a Red Letter meeting observing Frances J. Barnes' birthday and taking a free-will offering for the World's work. Anderson Ys. observed the day. Let us hear from other unions.

Wednesday, May 18, our Lelia Myra Kauffman, President of the Goshen Y. and Mr. Richard Fidler, were married at the home of the bride's parents. Another Christian Temperance home established, as both are earnest Christians.

Wednesday, June 8, Miss Clara E. Worl and Mr. Robert E. Hinman, of Peru, Ind., were married. One by one our Y. girls are going into homes of their own and we trust their love and zeal for the temperance cause will never cease.

The Secretary is so proud of her name-sake, the Clara Sears Y. of Indianapolis, and hopes to visit them soon and become acquainted, to give them plans for future work.

Goshen Y. held an Ice Cream Social on the lawn east of Mr. and Mrs. Fidler's home, Friday evening, the 10th. They cleared quite a nice little sum. The President is planning to hold several contests. September 1 Goshen Ys. will begin to hold regular meetings again.

Only three more months, girls, and another year closes in our beloved temperance work. Can you think of some one you can secure for a member? See treasurer and hand her your dues. Send me items on postal cards of your work. Pray and continually be on the lookout for the enemy.

CLARA. M. SEARS,
Y. W. C. T. U. Sec.

ON JULY 23

Acton Assembly W. C. T. U. will give the following program: The forenoon will be devoted to department work. Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, President Indiana W. C. T. U., will speak on Sabbath Observance; Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Vice-President, on the Loyal Temperance Legion; Mrs. Mattie Gibson, Recording Secretary, on Scientific Temperance; Mrs. Hattie Brand, Corresponding Secretary, will speak on Christian Citizenship; Miss Alice Palmer, Treasurer, on Purity; Mrs. Luella McWhirter on Organization. Temperance addresses by Felix T. McWhirter, candidate for Governor on Prohibition ticket. Organization Marion Co. L. T. L., in charge Mrs. Ida Mix, L. T. L., Secretary Indiana W. C. T. U. Election of officers. Assembly, W. C. T. U. As many White Ribboners as can be accommodated will be given lodging free in Willard Cottage, Saturday and Sunday nights. Meals can be had at hotel for 25 cents. Those who desire to engage lodging should write the treasurer, Mrs. Mary Tarlton, 2115 College avenue, Indianapolis.

DOLLAR DONATIONS TO HADLEY SCHOOL.

Mrs. Jennie Satterthwait.....	\$1.00
William Chappel.....	1.00
John Linder.....	1.00
Mattie Biddlecome.....	1.00
Sarah E. Thomas.....	1.00
Agnes Garnett.....	2.00
Mattie Ritter.....	1.00
Mrs. M. A. Tompkins.....	1.00
Mr. H. Early.....	1.00
Mrs. Martha Hadley.....	1.00
Mrs. C. H. Vawter.....	1.00
Lucretia Hobart.....	1.00
Mrs. L. D. B. Cowan.....	1.00
Mrs. Amanda J. Nelson.....	1.00
From Gas City Union, proceeds of a reading by Mrs. Brand.....	8.25
From Fairmount Union, proceeds of a reading by Mrs. Brand.....	10.53
Previously reported.....	26.00

Total amount received.....\$59.78

MATTIE E. H. CHANDLER,
Mooresville. Treasurer.

THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH AND THE TEMPERANCE QUESTION.

The general conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in session at Los Angeles, Cal., adopted the following report:

It is not the province of the church to control the suffrages of her members, but it is her province to teach great moral principles and to this end we utter our profound conviction that no Christian should sustain a political party committed to the license policy.

A political party that dares not defy the saloon does not deserve the support of the church. A party in which manly Christian opposition to a corrupt and dangerous traffic is a bar to promotion cannot be consistently supported by a Christian voter. But the foregoing must not be considered as in the interest of any political party.

The Episcopal address dealt with some phases of the question in vigorous fashion. We quote in part:

The enormous evils of intemperance are so constant and omnipresent that they seem to stupefy the public heart and conscience, as the horrors of a long-continued bloody war at length dull the sensibilities of whole communities. So it seems almost impossible to maintain the possibility of brilliant success, and the leaders disagree as to the plan for a continuous campaign, or become discouraged and the effort slackens and dies out. Meanwhile the liquor traffic, supported by the two mighty motives of greed and appetite, sleeplessly maintains its diabolical work.

As to methods for counterworking an iniquity so vast and so ruinous to everything dearest to mankind, two things have long been settled in the convictions of American Methodists. The banner we follow in this holy war must bear these two legends: Total Abstinence and Legal Prohibition. Total abstinence, as the only personal security and the only foundation for effectual help to the weaker brother; constitutional prohibition of the manufacture and sale of all intoxicating liquors to be used as beverages, as the only method yet discovered for any widely effectual and permanently successful war upon the liquor traffic.—*Exchange.*

DUTY OF OFFICERS.

I want to tell you right here that the next time a law officer says it is not his business to make complaint and tells you that if you will sign the complaint he will set the machinery of the law in motion, that you can assure him it is not the duty of any private citizen to do this. It is not safe for any private citizen to attack three kinds of law breakers—keepers of houses of prostitution, gamblers and liquor dealers who sell unlawfully. The suppression of their illegal business is not the concern of private citizens. If they are active in this direction they may have their houses burned down or be subjected to assault; but they dare not assault the officer, because he represents the majesty of the law. Every police officer has the power of government behind him; and lawbreakers know that if they kill the officer they can never kill the office; that as soon as one officer is out of the way there is another in his place. Law enforcement is what you pay the officers for and it is their duty and not a private citizen's.—*Judge Grant, of the Supreme Court of Mich.*

Women and girls wanting respectable lodgings in St. Louis, should apply to Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Centenary M. E. church, Sixteenth and Pine streets, three blocks from depot; the Salvation Army, Eighth and Walnut streets; the Queen's Daughters' Home, 111 North Sixteenth street; Evangelical Lutheran City Mission Society, 1704 Market street or to the Travelers' Aid W. C. Association, 1814 Washington street, St. Louis, Mo.

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MRS. LUELLA F. McWHIRTER, Editor,
Rosabower, Greencastle, Ind.

JULY, 1904.

Thank Offerings Meetings should be held by the Unions. The needs of our work must be considered by the friends of our cause.

Temperance Rally Days at Lake Maxinkuckee are August 17 and 18. Miss ALICE R. PALMER is to lead a conference of workers and speak on the 18th. Mrs. Shedd, of Argos, is preparing for a grand gold medal contest on the evening of the 17th.

The Diamond Medal Contest on Saturday night of the State Convention will be held at Columbus, in the City Hall. Admission, 25 cents.

Treasurers: Please collect dues from every woman in your town who is, has been, or will be a member of your W. C. T. U., one dollar from each, and forward sixty-five cents of same to County Treasurer unless county is unorganized, then to State Treasurer, before the 25th of September.

County Treasurers: Please urge Local Treasurers to collect dues and forward to you early in September. Send all dues to the State Treasurer before the 25th of September.

Everybody: Please do not wait to have your dues collected. Send at once to the Treasurer if you have not done so earlier in the year. ALICE PALMER, State Treasurer.

DEPARTMENTS MOTHERS' MEETINGS AND WHITE RIBBON CRADLE ROLL.

Dear mothers, we are now in the last quarter of this year and need I remind you that what we do must be done quickly and for you to get credit in the State for your work must be reported and reported on time? I regret that last fall some of your reports were too late to be formulated in my report, for my report was in the hands of the State Recording Secretary before yours reached me. Remember, I am again offering a book to be given at State convention to the Superintendent who holds the most Mothers' Meetings, also to the Superintendent of the White Ribbon Cradle Roll who enrolls the most children, enrollment to be based on the amount of dues sent in. Last year, some reports represented quite a number of children enrolled, but no money and much as I desired to report them to the National, I could not. Your State Superintendent must have three cents for every child enrolled, the same as the State must have one dollar for every W. C. T. U. woman. For enrollment cards for the W. R. C. R. and a leaflet to explain how the dues of the W. R. C. R. are divided, apply to your State Superintendent. Enrollment cards, 10 for 10 cents or 50 for 25 cents. I have a supply of Purity leaflets, title, Don't Girls, by Rev. B. G. Manard, price 50 for 15 cents, 100 for 25 cents. Stepping Stones, or a Guide to Safety, same price; Murder of the Innocents, 100 for 10 cents. Splendid leaflets. Dear hearts, don't for one moment imagine that your department is of but little importance. There is no department of more importance than that of character building, and who will build the character in the home if not the mother and who will save the children if not the organized mother love of the temperance reform? Remember, formation is better than reformation and if we expect to ever reform this world we must begin at the beginning.

MRS. S. STAHL.

Fitzgerald, Georgia, is a town of about 4,000 population on the Atlantic & Birmingham railroad. It has six saloons. Not long ago an effort was made to secure the erection of the building and repair shops of the road at Fitzgerald. The president of the road, Mr. Raoul, was waited upon by a committee of citizens. The president very frankly told them that Fitzgerald was the most desirable place on the road for the location of the shops, from every consideration save one. That one objection is its saloons. He stated that from past experience he would not consent to the location of the shops of the road in any community where labor is rendered unreliable by the presence of gin-mills and that since Fitzgerald will keep its saloons, the proposition to locate a great railroad business there will not be even entertained.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JANUARY, FEBRUARY AND MARCH.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last quarter.....	\$7.03
From Mrs. Whitson for MESSAGE supplement..	22.84
For sheet music.....	.40
For membership cards.....	1.90
For Anti-Narcotic pledge cards.....	.25
For Hadley Industrial School.....	21.50
For donation and sale of Reply to Committee of Fifty	16.65
For Indiana badges, national convention.....	5.25
For extra MESSAGES.....	2.00
For free will offering.....	.50
Interest on endowment, due December.....	14.80
For National Memorial fund.....	6.00
For Annual Reports.....	96.55
For advertisements in Annual Report.....	10.00
For L. T. L. Dues, Bedford.....	2.00
For County dues, in trust.....	9.65
For State dues, 1049 members at 65c.....	681.78
For State dues, 14 Y.'s at 65c.....	9.10
For dues, 20 Y.'s at 40c.....	8.00
Total receipts.....	\$916.20

DISBURSEMENTS.

Pound postage on the MESSAGE.....	\$7.70
Phalanx Co., printing cards and letter heads..	11.40
36 copies Helping Hand.....	3.60
500 copies Annual Leaflet	3.75
2,000 copies Reply to Committee of Fifty.....	32.00
Paid to Mrs. Chandler for Hadley School.....	21.50
Returned County dues to Johnson County.....	1.60
10,000 pledge cards, Mr. Victor.....	10.00
Expenses of two Central Committee meetings..	13.05
Cuts for the MESSAGE.....	4.12
Publisher for the MESSAGE, Feb. and Mar.....	75.57
For printing Annual Reports.....	100.00
For sending out Annual Reports.....	4.22
1,000 Anti-Narcotic pledge cards.....	1.00
For ice water fountain, donation from Francesville	4.50
State President—	
Envelopes, express and postage.....	11.95
Appropriation, Dec., Jan. and Feb.....	37.50
Vice-President—	
Postage.....	2.98
Recording Secretary—	
Postage and supplies.....	.87
Appropriation for Phalanx column	10.00
Appropriations Dec., Jan. and Feb.....	27.40
Corresponding Secretary—	
Supplies and car fare.....	5.50
Postage, telephone, telegrams and express..	31.70
Appropriations Dec., Jan. and Feb.....	93.75
Treasurer—	
Postage and supplies.....	5.29
Appropriations Dec., Jan. and Feb.....	56.25
Editor—	
Telegrams and postage.....	1.18
Appropriations March, April and May.....	18.75
Secretary Y.—	
Dues.....	6.80
Appropriation.....	10.00
Secretary L. T. L.—	
Dues from Bedford.....	1.00
Appropriation.....	10.00
Appropriation to Superintendents.....	86.00
National Treasurer—	
Memorial fund, Richmond, Albany and Franklin.....	6.00
W.'s dues.....	104.90
Y.'s dues.....	3.40
L. T. L.'s dues.....	1.00
Total expenditures.....	\$826.23
Balance April 1.....	\$89.97
Owing on Annual Report.....	\$134.00
Officers' salaries for March.....	72.25
Liabilities.....	\$206.25

TREASURER'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

We are not living up to the privileges exercised in other States in the amount of our Thank Offerings sent in by Unions and individual lovers of our cause to advance the work of the State. We are limited in the numbers of Annual Reports and other literature which we need for free distribution. Officers exercise the strictest economy (the word is not a good one, I mean they are unduly restricted), in the use of printed supplies and postage. But what leads to perhaps a worse policy than these things, they have no money to pay expenses to visit and help weak Unions nor those just established. Our committee on appropriations honestly and sensibly plans the expenditure to cover the income only. This reaches over only established work. If aggressive work is done within the year, the money to meet the expense must first come in as a thank offering. That plan for acquiring funds was adopted by the State convention—see Plan of Work, page 56, Annual Report.

If those who plan the routes of speakers had only a little money to use in sending them out, the local Unions could be provided with helpers at very much better rates than when the locals undertake to call in workers from the great field. Help others and help yourselves. Can we not exercise more activity, promptness, independence, enthusiasm, courage, spiritual power, *esprit de corps* in planning for and holding our thank offering meetings this year?

Please write the Treasurer if she can in any way be of assistance. It is not her design to send out envelopes or printed letters, nor an outline program. Greater freedom in local plans may work better.

ALICE PALMER,
State Treasurer.

THE GREATEST PROBLEM.

How to save the drunkard is a great problem. That he can be saved at all is not certain. With weakened will on the one side and habit strong on other, drunkards by the thousands are staggering on toward their graves. To make an effort to save all of them or any of them is a brave thing. He who makes it deserves the respect, if not the praise, of his fellowmen. One takes the risk of being disbelieved who makes the assertion that any class of men stands in greater need of salvation than drunkards. I am willing, however, to take the chance by affirming that the Christian manhood of this country, with a few notable exceptions, is in danger little less grave, if any, than the poor victims of drink who yield to the force of habit. A few brief statements only are needed in explanation.

The business of making drunkards is legal. The law recognizes it and protects it. The man who, by the manufacture and sale of intoxicating beverages, furnishes the necessary co-operation to appetite to produce drunkenness, is acting within the law and his legal rights. It is a fearful thing for a government to give protection and sanction to such a bad, wretched business. Ours does give such sanction and support.

We express ourselves through political parties. Ours is a government by political parties. Government without political parties, were it possible, might be better. Be that as it may, ours is a government by means of political parties. The Christian citizen who works with a political party or who votes its ticket makes himself responsible for the policy which that party pursues. It is impossible for a man to vote a party ticket without assuming responsibility for party action.

The dominant political parties are committed to the license of the liquor traffic. This can be supported by citing the different states in the Union. With few exceptions every one of them fosters, protects and legalizes the liquor business. The federal government does the same. The policy of the states and of the federal government must be the policies of the parties in power, or the situation would be changed. We know the party in power in Illinois is a saloon-licensing party, because that state has a saloon-licensing policy. Since Kentucky has a saloon-licensing policy we know the party in power is a saloon-licensing party. Every Christian man who votes with either of the political parties committed to that policy fastens upon his own soul responsibility for the guilt and sin of his state. Can it be said that the Christian men of the country are in no danger when a country where Christian men are in control pursues such a wicked policy?

A campaign is needed for the saving of Christian manhood. Great is the incentive to work for the drunkard. Greater the incentive to work with the Christian voter who votes for license. When a Christian government legalizes and sanctions a sinful thing, something is radically wrong. Somebody is in danger.—*Oliver W. Stewart.*

WOMAN SUFFRAGE AT THE BIENNIAL.

The distinguishing feature of the recent biennial meeting of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, was the evidence it gave of the growth of sentiment favorable to woman suffrage. Mrs. Margaret Hamilton Welch, editor of the Club Department of the New York *Saturday Evening Post*, calls attention to this as follows:

One thing was apparent. Except in some of the Southern Federations, the club women of the United States are beginning to overcome their inborn shrinking from the word politics. In most of the states and most of the clubs the very thought of meddling in politics was for a long time abhorrent. It is no longer so and great national issues, like civil service reform, legislation along special lines, is now as much a concern of club women as library extension or the beautifying of school grounds. That the club women have become so used to voting in their clubs and federations that their minds have become accustomed to the idea of voting at state and national elections is also apparent. Mrs. Decker's address: Is the Ballot of Real Value to Working Women, must divide with Miss Thomas' plea for college education for women the undoubted honors of the seventh biennial. Some of the best speeches from the floor were part of the suffrage session and the almost unanimous election of Mrs. Decker as president of the Federation speaks for itself in the matter of the sentiment of the members towards the one-time bugbear of woman suffrage.

The Southern Liquor Dealer, published at New Orleans, says that Georgia and Mississippi are dead so far as the liquor business is concerned and at the present rate of progress it will only be a few years till all Kentucky will be dry except the larger cities.

Mrs. Jessie W. Morton, State Secretary Kansas L. T. L.: We are enlisted for life. Prohibition shall prohibit.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.



THE MESSAGE—Supplement.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., JULY, 1904.

NATIONAL MOTTOES.

Graduates—Lifting Others as we Climb.
Seniors—The Future is Ours.
Juniors—Tremble, King Alcohol, we shall grow up.
National Flower—Field Daisy.
National Colors—Red, White and Blue.

STATE MOTTOES.

Graduates—Lifting Others as we Climb.
Seniors—We Work to Win.
Juniors—The Children are a-Field.
State Flower—Clover Blossom.
State Colors—White, Gold and Purple.

RALLYING CRY.

Rah! Rah! Rah!
Clover Blossoms, we're a-field.
Why? Saloons must die.
Hear their knell,
Indiana L. T. L.

STATE SONG OF THE INDIANA SENIOR L. T. L.

AIR—Where He Leads Me.
Indiana, we are coming!
Yes, the L. T. L.'s are coming,
Oh, the L. T. L.'s are coming
With brave banners, banners, and with songs!

CHORUS.
You may count on the Loyal Legions,
You may count on the Loyal Legions,
You may count on the Senior Legions,
We're an army, army true and strong.

To the breeze we'll give our colors,
To the van we'll bear our banners,
To the van we'll bear our banners,
Where the battle, battle trumpet swells.

CHORUS.
You may count on Loyal Legions,
You may count on Loyal Legions,
You may count on Senior Legions,
On the Valiant Senior L. T. L.'s.

'Gainst the foe that is most fatal,
'Gainst our common foe we'll battle,
'Gainst our common foe we'll battle,
Till the fettered, fettered, all are free.

CHORUS.
You may count on the Loyal Legions,
You may count on the Loyal Legions,
You may count on the Senior Legions,
For the coming, coming victory!

Mary A. Leavitt



MRS. RICE.
General Secretary National L. T. L.

THE LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Early W. C. T. U. records show that the first convention, which met for organization in the city of Cleveland in 1874, emphasized the thought that the children should everywhere be gathered into societies of their own, and taught and trained along temperance lines. The committee on these juvenile societies, consisting of Mother Thompson, the Crusade leader, Miss Frances E. Willard and Mrs. A. M. Noe, recommended that in the new paper ordered by the convention a department be instituted for children and youth. The same committee in 1875 authorized the preparation of a juvenile song book and manual. In 1880 Miss Elizabeth W. Greenwood, of Brooklyn, was placed in charge of the Juvenile department as National Superintendent. Miss Greenwood was succeeded in 1882 by Miss Nellie H. Bailey, of Chicago, who was succeeded in 1883 by Mrs. Anna M. Hammer, of Newark, N. J. In 1887 the present incumbent assumed the office. Since 1874 this organized work for the children has gone steadily on until now it embraces many foreign lands as well as all parts of our own country. Previous to 1886 the local societies had various local names, Band of Hope being the one most in use. At

The Indiana Loyal
Temperance
Legion,
Under the Leadership of an Excellent Corps of Officers and Superintendents, has Accomplished Much During the Past Year.



Top Row—HAZEL SESSIONS-COUDRY, Corresponding Secretary.
GRACE APPELGATE, State Organizer.
KORILLA SAMSE, Superintendent Flower Mission.
HAZEL BENNETT, Recording Secretary.
Lower Row—MRS. IDA M. MIX, General Secretary.
JAMES E. MIX, Superintendent Anti-Gambling.
MISS EDITH HILLIS, President

the National convention of that year the name Loyal Temperance Legion, and a uniform plan of work, both of which were already in use in some States, were adopted.

The original plan of organized companies has broadened out until it embraces our three departments of work for the boys and girls. Each of these has its own blessed mission, and all of them are necessary to fill out the measure of our responsibility to the children. The Scientific Temperance Instruction gives them God's law of total abstinence as written in their bodies. The Sabbath-school department gives them the safeguard of the pledge, and the help of suitable literature. The Legion does all of these things, and adds the training in practical work which is to make of our boys and girls a disciplined temperance army. It also brings to them the enthusiasm of being banded together in a righteous cause.

The junior societies of the churches cannot do away with the necessity for the Legion. Many of these societies (by no means all of them) give some attention to temperance teaching; but this is only one feature of their work. A subject having so important a bearing upon the welfare of the children needs more than incidental notice. The W. C. T. U. has its own responsibility to the children, which no other agency, not even the Church, can discharge.

Sometimes the pastors will see that their work and ours fit into each other, and will agree to alternate their work with ours, or, at least, give way for a monthly meeting of the L. T. L. Whether meeting independently or alternating with the junior church societies, we must refuse to lose our identity, or be swallowed bodily, even by anything so worthy as a church society.

We are satisfied that the difficulty of obtaining leaders for the Legion may largely find its solution in a faithful trial by each W. C. T. U. of our L. T. L. Normal Grade plan, and the maintaining of a standing committee on the L. T. L., whose members shall attend the Legion meetings, help enforce order, and act as substitutes in the absence of teachers or other regular helpers, and try to secure teachers from the Young People's societies, thus interesting the churches in the L. T. L. In scattered communities a division of the Legion may be carried on in each school district with a quarterly mass meeting of the whole company. Parlor Legions, limited in number, may be superintended by women who could not leave their homes to engage in a general work. Some of our enthusiastic brothers-in-law are rendering efficient service as L. T. L. leaders. Each of our large cities should employ one or more workers at a fair compensation, as not otherwise can a work at all commensurate with the needs be maintained in these great centers of population.

A place for the meetings is a frequent problem. In one city our W. C. T. U. women went before an association of ministers and pressed home the truth that if the churches would not open the doors to the children, the saloons would, and their appeal was not in vain. In another city persistent appeals to the school board have secured the use of ten of the public school buildings; the free use of the town or city hall may be obtained if the authorities understand

that the object of the L. T. L. is to make good citizens; the Y. M. C. A. may give the Legion the use of a room. If Sunday is chosen, then ask that each church will in turn open its doors for a stated length of time. If no other place is available the Legion may meet by divisions in homes.

How to maintain the interest becomes often a serious question to the leader. First, act upon the motto of one of your State L. T. L. Secretaries: Begin on time, close on time, keep things moving. Have your programs carefully prepared in advance and let them include plenty of bright singing. Make much of the juvenile offices and officers and appoint as many committees as practicable. Never do anything for the Legioners that they can do themselves. Allow them opportunity for reports and discussions. Give them something to anticipate for the next morning, so that they cannot afford to be absent. Have always on hand some benevolent work. Let special good times be a reward for faithful attendance—never allowing these to be so managed as to put a premium on unfaithfulness.

Let each L. T. L. Superintendent and helper cultivate a belief in this work that will give unfailing enthusiasm, unfaltering courage and a hope that will bear her over all hindrances. HELEN G. RICE,
General L. T. L. Secretary.



MRS. IDA M. MIX, Kokomo, Ind.
General Secretary, L. T. L.

Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand recited Jim and Joe at Gas City on Sunday evening, May 22, to a large and interested audience. A collection was taken for the Hadley Home, which was the largest collection ever contributed by a Gas City audience to our work.

OBJECT OF THE L. T. L.

The object of the Loyal Temperance Legion is to teach and train boys and girls from a moral and scientific standpoint in the principles of total abstinence and purity, enlisting them as workers; to lead them to lend a hand in every effort to overthrow the liquor traffic; to accept the rule for enrollment, which is, "I promise to be quiet and orderly, attentive to the instruction of our leader, and thoughtful on the great subjects of Temperance, Purity and Self-Control," and to sign the pledge, "Trusting in God's help, I solemnly promise to abstain from the use of alcoholic drinks, including wine, beer and cider; from the use of tobacco in any form, and from profanity."

All Legioners under eight years of age should be taught orally, and if possible in a room apart from the other Legion. Use Nos. 1 and 2 of Vol. III of L. T. L. Lesson Manuals. Form those from eight to twelve into a class for the study of Vols. II and III of the Lesson Manuals, passing satisfactory oral examinations on all four books of Vol. II and numbers 1 and 2 of Vol. III, and reading numbers 3 and 4 of same volume, questions to be prepared by teacher of class. By these examinations they win two special certificates. The satisfactory grade is 80 per cent, though 75 per cent is passing.

All young people, including those who have not had the advantage of the Junior L. T. L., can, at twelve years of age and over, enter the Senior grade.

All pledged Seniors may secure the L. T. L. diploma by the reading of such articles as shall appear in the *Crusader Monthly* as Required Readings for Diploma for one year and passing satisfactory examinations on the four numbers of Vol. I of Temperance Lesson Manuals. This examination must be written, the list of questions for which shall be procured through the State L. T. L. Secretary. W. C. T. U. women studying for diplomas may be excused from taking these required readings, but are recommended to include them.

State and National dues are 10 cents a year. Five cents remains in the State for general work and five cents goes to the National. She in turn sends one cent to the world's organization.

After graduation you can become a member of the State Senior Legion by paying 15 cents extra for State Senior work, which makes you a delegate to the L. T. L. State Convention. Honoraries (adults) should pay 25 cents a member. This money is retained in the local treasury. Send all 10 cent dues to the State W. C. T. U. Treasurer.

Those having diplomas and wishing to be members of the State Senior Legion should send their 25 cent dues to the State Senior L. T. L. Treasurer.

In organized counties dues can be arranged to suit the county workers.

Legions paying dues for all pledged members are enrolled on the State honor roll.

The Senior work is very important and meets the question, How shall we hold the boys and girls? After the diploma has been secured, then take up the post graduate's course, which enables our young people to fill the demand of the times for trained specialists in the temperance reform work. In this course there are fourteen seal certificates given for the fourteen different courses, which are: The Pledge, Danger Signals, Purity, Character, Mercy, Bird Study, Golden Rule, Evangelistic, Christian Citizenship, Sociology, Suffrage, Scientific Temperance, Civil Government and L. T. L. Normal. These certificates are engraved with vignettes of prominent reform leaders. Literature is furnished by the National W. C. T. U. Address Miss Ruby I. Gilbert, 915 Silversmith Bldg., 131-137 Wabash avenue, Chicago, Ill. Decide to follow the regular course laid out for the L. T. L. No other course entitles the pupil to the L. T. L. Junior certificates, diplomas or seal certificates. Secure subscribers to the official organ of the L. T. L., the *Crusader Monthly*. To secure success ever keep in mind 7 P. M., the L. T. L. hour of prayer.

All red letter days should be observed with appropriate program for each. Our State banners to be awarded are as follows: First, to the Legion paying most dues. Second, to the Legion having the largest graduating class. Third, to the county organizing the most Legions during the year. Mrs. Ida Mix.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

For the tenth time, the Indiana Senior Loyal Temperance Legion has met in an annual convention, and yet how different this meeting to any held before. Never before, in my recollection, have we met as an independent organization in an independent convention. Never before, since I have been connected with the State work, has so much effort been put forth to make our convention successful. In fact, Indiana has taken a long step forward and this morning I feel that a new era is opening before the Senior Legioners of Indiana.

I am especially delighted to have some of the graduates of former years with us in this convention. This is just as it should be. Let the key note of this convention and of the coming year be, Perfect Organization. All we need is more leaders and who is so well fitted to be leaders as those who have taken our course of study and hold a diploma in the Loyal Temperance Legion? Let us be greatly in earnest about this and there is sure success for us.

I favor aggressive standards for our L. T. L. In a letter from our beloved Mrs. Vayhinger, I want you to give my love to the boys and girls. I trust the

Father may bless you wonderfully in your meeting and that you may plan largely and well. Do not dishonor God by planning too small, as He is pleased with large faith and work to correspond. This idea of doing things upon a big scale pleases me. I, too, believe that we ought to plan largely and then carry out those plans. I have a motto in my room which I like and which will help us in this large planning. It reads: Resolve to perform what you ought; perform without fail what you resolve. Let us then resolve to plan largely and then carry out those plans without fail. When we stop to consider the evil we are fighting, the Legalized Liquor Traffic, that it is the cause of so large a per cent of our crimes, insanity and every woe this old earth knows and that it is the greatest hindrance to the spreading of the gospel of our Savior and to His Church, we ought not be content with anything short of our best and that means something large. Ever remember it is not what good we may do in any good cause, but the best we can do that is pleasing to our Father.

Do you know, I do not believe that the Loyal Temperance Legion need to stand back for any other organization? nor does it need to be timid in planning and working. Do you remember the first motto we learned in the Legion? It says:

Tremble, King Alcohol, we shall grow up. Now, we Senior Legioners—we graduates—are supposed to be grown up. Are we going to see to it that King Alcohol does tremble? I verily believe that we will. Indeed, King Alcohol does tremble at our advance. We, together with the W. C. T. U., the Prohibition Party, the Anti-Saloon League and all the temperance forces of this land, have so intimidated this powerful King that he is even now holding frequent conferences with his lords, devising ways and means whereby he may attract the youth of our land and he now offers his wares in the guise of confections, at the soda fountain and elsewhere, places frequented by the young people. In my own home city, one of the soda fountains has been known to spike the drinks without orders and there are many, many places like this all over our state and nation.

Then, again, King Alcohol places temptation in the places of amusement; especially is this true for the young man. Attractive summer gardens in close proximity to the saloon and other immoral places prove too pleasant for safety; and the billiard rooms, too often the only room open in the down town districts, aside from the saloon, where men and boys may gather. And we know that the associations of these rooms will surely lead to things more demoralizing. The young man employed all the day must have some recreation for the evening hours. He must have some place to go—something to do. He is not so well satisfied at home or even at a church service as his sister. He is hunting amusement—healthful if he can find it, unhealthful if not. Our churches can and are improving this condition of affairs by well planned, lively social evenings. So can our L. T. L. work along this same line. I believe most heartily in a care free, jolly, social time. I believe young people must have it. I do not believe any young man or woman will grow symmetrically without their times when they can lay all care, worry, business and even petty annoyances and grievances aside and have a thoroughly good time. You know Solomon says: A merry heart doeth good like a medicine; and if he, with all his wisdom found mirth necessary to perfect growth, so do we in this day. The life of the majority of young people is what we have recently learned to call a strenuous one and there must be relaxation or we would all be nervous wrecks before we reached middle life.

However, even good things can be carried too far. We must not abuse even the healthful things or they become insipid and fail to be beneficial. What I want to impress upon us is that we can offer places for clean, wholesome amusement to our young people and friends and even the boys and girls in the L. T. L. can plan and carry out attractive socials. If you have young men in your home who are beginning to frequent billiard rooms, you must remember that the L. T. L. has a department that will save them from the results of its influence and arrange some interesting socials and then, at some opportune time, present the anti-gambling pledge.

Then, we have the tobacco question—and here, I think, the girls need to be careful as well as the boys. Not that they are so liable to use it themselves—for although some girls do smoke cigarettes and think it smart and the way to please the boys—I believe all self-respecting girls would feel themselves forever disgraced if they were to indulge in such a thing, yet why we girls should look with favor upon the young man's use of it and at the same time feel it a disgraceful and shameful habit for us, is a question I do not understand. Custom is a strong factor in our existence and perhaps our seeing the men smoking every day takes off the sense of shame we should feel in seeing a woman smoke, yet the fact remains that the tobacco is just as filthy, just as detrimental to the body and just as blunting to the finer senses of a man as of a woman. How often we are offended upon the streets by having the smoke blown in our faces, or by finding the streets, street cars and other public places unfit for our skirts and numberless other acts of discourtesy to us. And, I do not believe we are wholly blameless for this condition of affairs. Whenever I see a girl driving, walking or under any circumstances allowing a man to smoke in her presence, I think there's a girl who is encouraging the use of tobacco.

No gentleman will smoke in the presence of a lady without her consent and no lady should give that consent. I am fully aware that a great many people differ from me on this point, but all L. T. L. girls know the harmfulness of the weed and can have no use for it. I do not say that we should bar all gentlemen from our society who use it, but I do say that we should absolutely forbid its use in our presence.



EDITH HILLIS, Kokomo, Ind.
President, L. T. L.

when we can have a say-so about it, and in all cases of friendship, I do not believe that we should ever allow any man to repeat the offense of smoking in our presence without our permission. We should discourage its use whenever possible. Our L. T. L. comes to our rescue in another department, that of Anti-Narcotics and we may reach some of our friends that way.

Girls, do not be afraid of offending a man because you object to his habits. I fully realize the positions you are placed in along these lines, but I am absolutely sure that any man worth having for a friend will appreciate you and desire your friendship more for taking a high standard along these lines than for you to let them slip. I know all girls frequently look about them to find that the girls who seemingly have the jolliest times, go the most, have the most friends and seem to be enjoying life to the fullest extent, are girls who object to practically none of these things, but are in for the fullest possible good time. But, after all, these are not the ones who enjoy life to the fullest extent. To find the fullest enjoyment in life we must consider what it is to live. To live is to enjoy the beautiful around us; the society of choice people who have learned the highest and noblest things of this world; to mingle with those whom we feel are our equals, or even superiors, in thought and from whom we can better learn to enjoy and appreciate this world God has given us. To live is to be able to see deep into the beauties around us and to think. Aye, to live is to know God and through Him read wondrous beauty and knowledge from the things about us.

This does not exclude good times, but on the contrary, it gives a dignity and depth of happiness and ability to enjoy life that is an unknown realm to those about us who live only on the surface of things. All existence on the surface must soon grow wearisome and die; but when the roots grow deep, there is happiness and life that will be full of proper gaiety and joy. I cannot preach a solemn existence, because I do not believe in it and would find it impossible to follow, but I can tell of aspirations for the highest and best and point you all to them.

Now, with this idea of growth before us, let us look at the future of the Indiana Loyal Temperance Legion. We cannot stand still. Either we will progress or we will retrograde.

Just for a little while I want to call into our thoughts some of the different departments of our work and what we are doing, or can do, with them in the coming year. First, in the Medal Contest work, we ought to have numberless contests during the coming year. Do not for one moment think that you must confine the class to your L. T. L. This is a missionary movement and educational line. The children themselves ought to be able to interest their playmates and thus help you organize a class. Perhaps the summer time is not the best time to carry on the contest work, as people do not want to attend indoor entertainments in the warm weather, but why not try a lawn social contest? After a class is once formed and particularly after a child once gets a medal, the work is practically done, as the children themselves will then be anxious to keep the work going.

Then, let us consider when we go to planning for the coming year, the Anti-Gambling and Anti-Narcotic Departments. I have already spoken of the need along these lines.

Then we have the Mercy pledge. We all know it. I will try to be kind to all living creatures and try to protect them from cruel usage. Here is work for us

and if we will but look about we will daily find many of God's dumb creatures who are receiving cruel treatment and yet I am thankful that this practice is not so common as it used to be. Usually when a man abuses his horse, or any animal unable to protect itself, he is under the influence of King Alcohol.

We are now in the midst of the season for the Flower Mission work. I believe everyone loves the Flower Mission Department. We all love the flowers and we all love to give them to those to whom they come as a blessing and with a message from God. So during these summer months we ought to be piling up our Flower Mission reports. And in the winter time when the blossoms are scarce, a small sprig of anything green is welcome and follows out our sainted Jennie Cassidy's idea. Remember that the rule for making a bouquet was something bright, something white and something sweet. Let us also remember the Scripture text and the bow of white ribbon.

But now I want to suggest something new for us as a State organization. This past year we have had a new department in the *Crusader Monthly*. This is the National paper of the Loyal Temperance Legion and ought to be in the home of every member. It is through its columns that we learn what other states are doing and receive new ideas for our own work. At the extremely low price of twenty-five cents a year, we ought to have a club in every Legion. Besides the other valuable information we receive from it, it contains the required readings for diploma. Let every Legion have an agent for the *Crusader Monthly* during the coming year and a Literature Superintendent. Let us remember that literature wisely used is one of the very best methods of converting others to our cause.

We ought to also have in each Legion a Press Superintendent and a committee upon socials and I am not sure but that we ought to have a superintendent of Sabbath Observance. I believe we younger people ought to begin to set a good example before our elders along this line of Sabbath Observance. The Sunday excursion, picnics, the soda fountain and other things open to us on the Sabbath day should never be engaged in. The church and God's work along other lines should be our customary place upon His day. In our executive meeting to be held at same time while we are all together, I trust that those who may gather to plan for our State for the coming year will carefully consider and see fit to add some of the other departments of our work to the Indiana L. T. L. organization.

And now, in closing, I want to leave with you the thought that to accomplish anything along the lines I have referred to this morning we must have a perfect organization. More than anything else, Indiana needs organization. As you will soon hear in the report of the Corresponding Secretary, Indiana has only five counties with only seven senior Legions. I believe there are more than this in the State, but if so we have failed to get their report. I am hoping any praying that in the coming year we may be able to organize our State more perfectly. To this end we want a Corresponding Secretary who can have the time to give to the work—and we need field workers. For so long we had this idea of a field worker upon our heart. We have been looking for some one who could go from county to county and hold at least one meeting in each county for the L. T. L. So far, we have found no one, but we are still hoping and believing that some time we will. Let us ever be hopeful, for after all we are sure of success, seeing that our cause is right. Youth is ever hopeful and that is the reason—at least one reason, why we dare believe that we are such a great factor in this temperance movement. We are not easily discouraged and if those who have been long in the fight some times grow weary or a little discouraged, it is our privilege and possibly our mission to see victory before us and with our eyes fixed upon it and our leader, to press onward.

MISS EDITH HILLIS.

INDIANA STATE L. T. L. CONVENTION

Met in separate session, June 17, at Christian Tabernacle, Marion, Ind. Convention called to order at 10:00 A. M. by President, Miss Edith Hillis, of Kokomo. Were greatly pleased to see so many L. T. L. delegates and also W. C. T. U. officers present. Mrs. Cunningham, Grant County, Secretary of L. T. L. work, led the Devotionals, reading from a portion of Proverbs. Miss Inna Smith, of Marion, State Vice-President, gave the welcome address. Response by Miss Hillis. A motion was made and carried making all W. C. T. U. officers members of our convention without privilege of voting. They were also given place on the platform. The State President, Miss Edith Hillis, made an able address, after which we felt new encouragement and that victory was not far distant. She also showed us the necessary departments in our Legions that in the coming year we may be better organized. Mrs. Lida Stewart was appointed as chairman of press committee. Report of State Treasurer was given and accepted, showing \$22.79 in treasury in beginning of year, \$37.76 at close. Letters of greeting read by Recording Secretary from Miss Hazel Bennet, Mrs. Gilmore, Miss Palmer and Mrs. Rice. Minutes of Executive Committee were read and adopted. Corresponding Secretary report read by Mrs. Mix and adopted. Mrs. McVicker gave report of South Marion L. T. L. Mrs. Metz gave report of Marion County. Song given by West Marion L. T. L. was greatly appreciated.

Names of all members having a right to vote were read by State Treasurer, Nathan Lenfesty of Marion. Discussion of need of Second Vice-President. Moved and seconded the word Second Vice-President be stricken from Article 6 of Constitution. Moved that L. T. L. quilt be finished. Mrs. Satterthwait donated some blocks which were appreciated. Moved and carried that her daughter's name be placed on them and others be sent to Legions upon which all names of Legioners be placed, each legion donating as much as it so desired. Mrs. Mix spoke enthusiastically on Local Work and Roll of Honor.

Resolution Committee named by President, consisting of Mrs. Brand, of Marion County; Mrs. Cooper, of Wabash and Mrs. Pedigo, of Howard.

Adjourned, to meet at 1:30 P. M. Benediction by Mrs. Vayhinger, State President of W. C. T. U. of Indiana.

Meeting called to order by President at 1:30 P. M. State song was sung, followed by devotional exercise by Rev. Thompson, of Wabash County. Reports of Flower Mission, Anti-Gambling, Anti-Narcotic Departments and *Crusader Monthly* Superintendents. Discussion of druggist's view of tobacco at their late convention. Report of Organizer given and accepted. Song by Don and Anna Lenfesty, of South Marion L. T. L. Recitation by Helen Kain, of Kokomo. Miss Brehm, State President of Illinois W. C. T. U., was introduced and responded very cordially. Followed by election of officers:

Distributing Tellers—Morris Outland, Ritta Burnside and Elsie Richards. Counting Tellers—Mrs. Julia Overman, Stella Gard and Harriet Stockton. Song by South Marion L. T. L. and by Miss Stella Gard. Result of election: Miss Edith Hillis, of Kokomo, President; Mr. James Mix, of Kokomo, Vice-President; Miss Ritta Burnside, of Marion, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Irma Smith, of Marion, Recording Secretary; Mr. Nathan Coggeshall, of Marion, Treasurer.

Rally cry was given. Revs. Shannon and Clevenger were introduced. Post-Executive called at 4:30 P. M. Announcements. Adjournment to meet at Library Hall at 8 P. M. Dismissed by Mrs. Mattie Gibson. Evening session met in Library Hall at 8 P. M. Devotionals by Mrs. Mix, read from Corinthians. Song—All Hail the Power of Jesus. Prayer by Mrs. Vayhinger, followed by a beautiful solo by Miss Florence Scott, of Marion, accompanied by Miss Trueblood, pianist. Address by Mrs. McWhirter. Fine solo by little Helen Andrews. Address by Miss Marie Brehm. Excellent. Nathan Lenfesty and Paul Shelhouse appointed as collectors and collection taken. Solo by Miss Estella Gard, of Marion, accompanied by Miss Coggeshall, applauded and responded with another selection. Benediction.

ANTI-GAMBLING.

Of all the many forms of vice and sin which spring from a misuse of money, gambling is the worst and is the most destructive of personal manliness and national integrity and honor. Let Herbert Spencer define gambling for us: "Gambling is a kind of action by which pleasure is obtained at the cost of pain to another." It affords no equivalent to the general good. The happiness of the winner implies the misery of the loser. We have not taken up this department of work in Indiana as we should. The Kokomo Legion has done more than any other by securing signers to the pledge, which is as follows: I hereby solemnly promise, God helping me, to abstain from gambling in all its forms, including games of chance for money or other valuable consideration.

Gambling is demoralizing; unsettles the mind of any youth who begins its practice; unfits him for the common business of life; living in a world of unwholesome excitement will gradually destroy all faculty for honest, simple work. The sure result of gambling is the loss of self-respect, which is man's chief treasure.

We shall have to give an account to God for the way in which every shilling of our money was acquired or spent and the man of noble nature faces this responsibility and seeks to use his money for the common good. Gambling is utterly foolish. The only man who makes money is the one behind the scenes and often enough he comes to grief. If you want to enjoy money, make it honestly. What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?

JAS. E. MIX,
Superintendent.

HOW CAN A LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION BEST HELP THE TEMPERANCE CAUSE?

The Loyal Temperance Legioners are, first of all, workers and the great need, as well as the variety of work practicable for them to undertake will preclude the possibility of any Legion wondering what it can do. Frances E. Willard was right—"Do everything;" talk, sing, pray, hop, skip and jump for temperance. We need known teetotalers on the ball ground, boys proud of their total abstinence principles and record. We need total abstinences in college, in the home, in the boating parties, at the restaurant, at the soda fountain, down town, everywhere. Are you holding medal contests? L. T. L. socials? public temperance meetings? Are you flower mission workers? Do you circulate temperance literature? hold rousing meetings for children? Have you organized a

Loyal Temperance Legion choir, senior or junior, and prepared yourself to furnish the very best music obtainable in the town for public meetings? In these and many other ways the young people can find countless opportunities to stir the hearts and consciences of the people and can assist in obtaining better enforcement of the prohibitive liquor laws and in the splendid contests for the triumph of prohibition. The



MISS INNA SMITH, Marion, Ind.
Vice-President, L. T. L.

National Liquor Dealers' Protective Bureau is sending out its millions of pages of literature as well as poisoning the press of the country, but worst of all is determined to make its financial future secure by capturing our young people through its subtle, satanic devices for creating appetite. Loyal Temperance Legioners, if alert and industrious, can in any community arouse public sentiment on this subject to such a white heat that young people will be on their guard, children will be protected and the arrest of thought given to any thoughtless and indifferent parents. We are looking to the members of the Loyal Temperance Legion, senior and junior, as never before for active help in this great struggle. O! that our young people would utilize the power they possess! Then might King Alcohol (knave that he is) tremble, for his kingdom would be taken from him by an aroused and enlightened generation paying glad allegiance to King Temperance. ANNA A. GORDON.



NATHAN LENFESTY, Marion, Ind.
Treasurer, L. T. L.

TREASURER'S REPORT INDIANA L. T. L. FOR YEAR 1903-04.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand at beginning of year.....	\$22.79
Collection at Hartford City Convention...	10 82
Dues received.....	11.50
Total.....	\$45.11

DISBURSEMENTS.

Miss Hazel Coudrey, stationery and postage.....	\$0.50
Miss Edith Hillis, postage.....	.30
Mrs. Mix, framing the diploma and seal.	1.25
Postal cards, stamps and stationery.....	.25
State and National dues.....	4 60
Total.....	\$6.90
Cash available for State work.....	\$38.21

NATIONAL L. T. L. EXTENSION FUND.

The object of this fund is two-fold: First, to aid with literature the Legions of the newer States and Territories, especially in their work among the Indians and the work among the colored girls and boys of the Southern States. Second, to assist in planting Legions in Japan.

The specific work for this fund is: First, to raise money for sending *The Crusader Monthly* into parts of our own land, mentioned above, also to send song books, manuals and other L. T. L. supplies which have already served their purpose and can be spared. Second, to contribute money or supplies for L. T. L. work in Japan.

As director of this Extension Fund, I must have the co-operation of L. T. L. Secretaries of both the receiving and the contributing States. All contributions of money, properly marked, should be sent to me. Supplies should be sent direct to their final destination in order to save postage. Addresses to which these may be sent, can be obtained of me.

I will assign to each State, upon application, a special mission field, or its contributions may be applied to answering the specific calls which I am receiving. Among the calls now before me are: A request from Mrs. Addie N. Fields, Mexico, for thirty subscriptions to *The Crusader Monthly* to be sent to Mexico; from the National Superintendent of Work Among Indians a list of subscriptions to be sent to teachers and from another source a list to be sent to leaders of colored Legions.

Mission fields already assigned are: To Maine, Virginia (No. 2); to Massachusetts, Mexico; to New York, North Carolina (Thurman); to Pennsylvania, Alabama (No. 2); to Wisconsin, the Indian work of its own State; to Iowa, Florida; to Michigan, Indian Territory; to New Jersey, New Mexico; to New Hampshire, Georgia (No. 2); to Illinois, Oklahoma; to North Dakota, Tennessee (No. 2); to California, Arizona Indian work; to Frances E. Willard Legion, of Knoxville, Tenn., the two mission schools of Chihuahua, Mexico; Ohio, Indian Territory; Connecticut, Louisiana (No. 2).

Although the needs of our own States are sufficient to tax our energies, let us not fail to broaden our outlook and enlarge our sympathies by doing what we can in the line of this National Plan, thus exemplifying the spirit of our motto: Lifting others as we climb. Twenty-five cents will send *The Crusader Monthly* to do work for us for one whole year, a small amount of money for the large amount of good it will accomplish.

KATHRIN T. A. STRAW,
LaFayette, Ind. Director L. T. L. Extension Fund.



FRED. CARTER, Westfield, Ind.
Superintendent Anti-Narcotics, L. T. L.

ANTI-NARCOTICS.

It has been the Secretary's pleasure to distribute some Anti-Narcotic literature and to personally advise some who were just forming the baneful habit. From over the State have come encouraging reports of work that has been done. Much literature has been distributed, many have signed the Anti-Narcotic pledge and lectures have been given.

FRED. CARTER,
Westfield, State Superintendent.

PERSONAL EXPERIENCES IN SECURING LEADERS FOR L. T. L.

The average woman in the W. C. T. U. has somehow conceived the idea that superhuman qualification is needed for leadership in the L. T. L. and she therefore shrinks from accepting such service, although she readily undertakes the responsibility of moulding the life and the character of her own children, holding herself largely responsible for the outcome. Why is it that this same woman shrinks from giving one hour a week to a little band of boys and girls in order to teach them the beauty of total abstinence and train them to be our helpers in this blessed gospel of temperance?

She does not hesitate to teach the Gospel of Christ

in the Sabbath school, but from such presentation in the Loyal Legion she begs to be excused.

Recently I asked a member who conducts an important W. C. T. U. department to take a class in the L. T. L. during my enforced absence. She grudgingly consented to lead one meeting, but most emphatically requested that I never again ask her. Why should the white ribboner hesitate to lead her own child, the Legioner, into the pathway which she believes is the safe one, the righteous one, the pleasant one for herself and her family?

"I don't know one thing about L. T. L. work," is the frequent answer to our appeals. The well-worn excuse reminds me of a fellow teacher who, in a public school examination, when asked by the superintendent a simple question in notation, failed to answer. The superintendent then queried:

"Did thee not tell me thee had taught school seven years?"

"Yes," she replied, "but I never began that far back."

How such an answer subjected her to ridicule in the minds of the young spectators! What do the boys and girls think when they hear a member say that she "knows nothing about the L. T. L. work"—the kindergarten and school for the W. C. T. U.?

Once I claimed that I was not enough of a Bible scholar to take a class in Sabbath school, when an old Friend of eighty years said, "If thee don't know now, it is time thee should learn." I took the class, became a student with the other students and I ever afterwards thanked God and the good man who gave me the spur to a life of service for the young.

We cannot promise the leader of the L. T. L. easy work—that needing but little thought and the expenditure of little energy—for the duties of leadership demand our very best efforts; but we do say, with intense earnestness, that it is inspiring, hopeful, joyful work, that the life entering into the fresh activities of you—planning with them and for them—has a blessedness that only those who do it can ever know. Why then, if only for the joy of it, do not our women give a ready response to the call for help in the Legion work? Do we not all understand that the foundation for victory in our fight against the liquor traffic lies in enlisting the young? Is not this the most important work of our great organization?

More than half the unions in the old Keystone State say, "We have no L. T. L. because no leader." But there is, after all, a more hopeful side to conditions. The women who are willing to serve as leaders, although not always possessed of unusual talents, are consecrated to the highest interests of the youth under their care.

The woman who has settled the question of leadership for herself is the woman who feels the responsibility of every young life about her for good or for ill. After winning the boys and girls, such a leader carries them on through the different grades of study into the Senior work, from which she is sending out young men and young women who thoroughly understand the work of the L. T. L. to be that of training for the best manhood and womanhood. To multiply this woman a thousand times would be to make possible one thousand more such normal schools for the training of L. T. L. leaders.—*The Union Signal*.

ELMA M. PRESTON,
State Secretary of Penn. L. T. L.
Kennett Square, Pa.

OFFICERS OF INDIANA LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

President, Edith Hillis, Kokomo; Vice-President, James E. Mix, Kokomo; Corresponding Secretary, Retta Burnside, Marion; Recording Secretary, Irma Smith, Marion; Treasurer, Nathan Lentestey, Marion.

Superintendents—Anti-Gambling, Dale Wolf, Marion; Mercy, Anna Stockton, Kokomo; Flower Mission, Korilla Samse, Kokomo; Medal Contests, Jeanette Gipe, Indianapolis; Sabbath Observance, Ida M. Cunningham, Marion; Literature and agent *Crusader Monthly*, Monta Cooper, Wabash; Anti-Narcotics, Fred. Carter, Westfield.

(BY MISS FRANCES E. WILLARD.)

MISS ANNA GORDON

Was a delicate and very fragile baby, so delicate that the most faithful of mothers carried her on a pillow much of the first year.

When she was three years old the family moved to Auburndale, ten miles from the city, and one of Boston's loveliest suburbs. Little Anna was now quite strong and a most noticing little thing. As the family walked to their pretty new home, they missed her at the open gate way of a fine old mansion, but the mother caught the gleam of her dress and entered, and there was the fair haired little one kneeling beside a bed of violets with her small arms stretched out over them, and saying in sweet, earnest tones, *I didn't know that*. Her love of nature has always been so great that with her gift of versification, I have always felt that, with literary surroundings, she might have become a charming writer. Akin to this quality is the love of animals, which well nigh amounts to a passion, and prepared her for a leader in our Mercy Bands. Three little brothers came to the home, and doubtless her share in bringing them up gave Anna much of that bright, attractive way with children that has been one of her greatest charms in our white ribbon work.

She went to the famous Newton High School and

afterward to Mt. Holyoke College, and later attended lectures at Lasell Seminary, and studied music, to which she and her whole family had always been devoted. I never heard so many fine voices at family prayers as those of the father and mother and their six children—for when I came to know them the youngest and fairest had passed away.

On my going to conduct the women's meetings for Mr. Moody in Boston there was no one to play the cabinet organ that was beside my desk on the platform. An earnest appeal was made, and after a painful pause and waiting, a slight figure in black, with a little music roll in the hand, came shyly along the aisle of Berkeley St. Church, and Anna Gordon gently whispered, As no one volunteers, I will do the best I can. Something great had come into her life a fortnight earlier. The death of her brother Arthur, eighteen years of age, and nearer to her by years and temperament than any of the others (a lovely, devoted Christian boy who stood in the first rank at the high school and was going to Amherst College to prepare for the ministry) was her first great sorrow. Very soon thereafter, while in one of Mr. Moody's meetings, she had consecrated herself unreservedly to God.

Miss Gordon wrote *Marching Songs*, *Song Book* for the Y's, and later the *White Ribbon Hymnal*, so that her books of song have gone wherever the W. C. T. U. has a group of workers the world over.

Anna Gordon is in her happy prime and with a rich experience and ever widening outlook. Best of all, she grows steadily in the sweet grace of humility and the crowning beatitude of loyalty to our Heavenly Father that earthly brotherhood and sisterhood which are the crowning proofs of the presence of Christ in personal character and prophesy the setting up of that Heavenly Kingdom for which White Ribbon women work and pray.

Mrs. Katherine Lente Stevenson gives this beautiful tribute: No life story of Frances E. Willard could be complete which did not include the story of Anna Gordon as a potent factor in that life. She was a part of Miss Willard's very self, as few daughters are parts of their mothers. Her love for our great leader seemed a composite of all loves.

More truly than any other love I have ever known, was it absolutely free from the faintest shadow of personal jealousy. Other friends came into that many-sided life; her interests were world-wide and many great natures were attracted to her winsome personality, but this early love never wavered, never knew doubt or the shadow of turning, never put the thought of self before the interests of her friend. I hope it will not seem irreverent, said Miss Gordon to me, but I took as my motto long ago, I love them that love her, and no one can love her too well to please me. Is it any wonder that so great a nature should have found close kinship with the greatest woman of the century, or indeed of the ages?

What Anna Gordon was to Frances Willard, eternity alone can show. She touched her life, not alone through the channel of its deep affections, but through the manifold, broad channels of Miss Willard's work for humanity. Not one of the great leader's plans and purposes was ever withheld from her friend, and while her fertile brain originated the seed-thought, to Anna Gordon was given the privilege of preparing the soil in which that thought might come to its perfect maturity. Frances Willard was the genius, but Anna Gordon made the environment in which that genius came to its fullest development. Her capacity for detail has always been marvelous and through all the twenty-one years in which she was Miss Willard's constant companion, whether in traveling, or at Rest Cottage, at home or abroad, it was upon her that the detail work came. She planned the trips; she cared for the finances; she sheltered and protected from petty cares and from routine work; she made it possible for that mighty intellect to give itself, without reserve, without restraint or hindrance, to the work to which she was called. An Organized Providence she certainly has been and a necessary compliment to Miss Willard's inmost nature and life. The story of the beginning of their acquaintance has been told and that act was typical of Anna Gordon's nature. To see a duty has been with her always a synonym for its performance and hers is a clearer insight to discover duty than is granted to many. From her service as organist during the time Miss Willard conducted the Women's Meetings in connection with the great Moody revival in Boston, the friendship was an unbroken one. A few months after the Moody meetings closed, she went to Rest Cottage and became Miss Willard's private secretary. In addition to all that, as conveyed in that term, she has carried on a large and varied work of her own—as World's Superintendent of Loyal Temperance Legion.—*Biographical Sketch*.

RED LETTER DAYS.

This month we celebrate the birthday of Miss Anna A. Gordon by issuing this supplement, and suggest to each childless Union in the State that on the 21st of July you organize a Legion in her honor, and that each Legion observe this day as picnic day by a special effort to give all boys and girls a good time.

Remember that September 28, Miss Willard's birthday, has also been made a red letter day for the obtaining of *Crusader Monthly* subscribers, to increase our membership, and by the giving of suitable public meetings.

WANTED—A SHOWER.

So strong the sun poured down its rays
All felt its mighty power;
It withered up the grassy blade,
And scorched the drooping flower.
It baked the brick walks to a turn
Through every daylight hour,
And caused the very stones to burn
And all the cream to sour.

The south wind blew its feeble breath,
All moisture to devour,
Till suffering man cried out, Oh, when
Will come a cooling shower!
The man who had a rain machine
Shut up within his tower,
Did gaily say, This very day,
I'll send them down a shower.

So not in vain men looked for rain,
For clouds began to lower
Down in the west and soon there fell
A pleasant summer shower.
It sprayed the leaves upon the trees,
Revived the drooping flower,
It cooled the air, and everywhere,
Came blessings with the shower.

All over the land our mothers
Are struggling to clear the way,
The clouds of dust of prejudice,
That smother lives each day.
To make this world a fresher place
Where human flowers shall grow;
To dig King Alcohol's deep grave,
Because they hate him so.

The burden of the day they bear,
The summer sun doth glower,
There's nothing they require so much,
As a reviving shower.
Perhaps you have no rain machine,
But, dear friends, use your power,
From pocketbooks to pour on them
A refreshing silver shower.

—Our Messenger.

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

By MISS MARIE C. BREHM,
State President W. C. T. U. of Illinois.

When the Woman's Christian Temperance Union chose for its motto, "For God and Home and Native Land," it was true to the spirit of the poem in its attempt to "paint the sky" for this nation, and it was true to God's own word that "Righteousness exalteth a nation, and sin is a reproach to any people." God first, has been the lesson taught by this organization of Christian women.

The real work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union grows in beauty just in proportion as our hearts are filled with the love of God, and we make it the first concern of our lives to seek His Kingdom and His righteousness. I say it reverently, nevertheless, and I believe it to be true. There is no position nor honor as a Christian worker more to be coveted than to stand out before the world, recognized as a consistent, active member of this great organization, the highest embodiment of a Christian life.

Do we appreciate that the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is the widest door of opportunity that has ever swung open to women? Are you interested in putting God first in your life, as regards sending the Gospel to foreign lands? Then see how necessary it is for the principles of total abstinence and the prohibition of the liquor traffic to be a part of your program. For nothing hinders the spread of the Gospel in heathen lands as does the sale of intoxicating liquors. According to the statements made by the missionaries who give their lives for this cause, "rum destroys a hundred souls where we save one." Is your "sky painted first" in home missions?

Again, you see that nothing hinders the spread of the Gospel at home as do the thousands of saloons with their baneful influence on public officials, their active work of destruction among men and boys, their traps and snares for unwary women and girls, their crushing blight upon the lives of the countless children born under the shadow of this colossal wrong.

Are you interested in the work of purity? And do you believe that it is the "pure in heart that shall see God?" Behold how the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, through the education of its purity department, teaches that the seventh commandment was written for both men and women. Through its mothers' meetings educating the mothers how to keep "pure and unspotted" the little ones entrusted to their care. By means of Cradle Roll, Loyal Temperance Legion laying hold of the children themselves and pledging them in their early youth to lives of purity, sobriety and righteousness. Are you persuaded that the best way for you to put God first in your life is by serving in the Sunday School and feeding the lambs of His flock? Again the question arises, what shall it profit you to spend your hours in prayer and Bible study for the sake of these little ones, unless you fortify them against their greatest enemy, the saloon? It is the Woman's Christian Temperance Union that secured the teaching of temperance from a Bible stand-point quarterly in the Sunday Schools of the land. It is this organization of mother love that persistently keeps up the agitation to pledge the boys and girls in the Sunday Schools to abstinence from all alcoholic drinks and tobacco. In whatever direction your activities for God's Kingdom may take you, the principles of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be found to have a prominent place for the reason that they are Christian.

Are you a student of the times? The Woman's Christian Temperance Union has the broadest curriculum of study of present day conditions, affords the truest culture toward a right patriotism. It maintains the highest standard of conduct for the individual, with the truest and highest conception of the mission of the Christian—in the home, the church, the school, the state and the nation. As Joseph Cook said: "It is the church in motion."

Are "you painting your sky first" in the home, believing that the home is the annex of heaven on earth, the corner-stone of the republic, and that the nation that legislates first in the interest of its homes can afford to make mistakes in other directions? Look at the motto—For God—God first, for Home—home next. Without God, the home will go down, without home, the nation will perish. The liquor evil is pre-eminently the enemy of the home. Nothing has destroyed so many lives, desolated so many homes and ruined so many souls, broken so many hearts as intemperance. It sends one hundred thousand men down to drunkard's graves every year who leave behind them heart-broken wives and mothers, and suffering children. Each year brings its hundred thousand victims. Where do they come from?

Somebody's boys must be sacrificed each year to swell the procession that passes from the home through the saloons to the drunkard's grave. To stop that army you must stop the manufacture of intoxicating liquors.

There is a moral issue involved in this question of the home versus the saloon, which will sooner or later claim a just settlement, and we shall find arrayed against the demoralizing forces of the saloon the power of the Home.

"Out from the hearthstone the children go,
Fair as the sunshine, pure as the snow;
A licensed wrong on the crowded street
Waits for the coming of the guileless feet.
Child of the rich, and child of the poor
Pass to their wreck through the dram-shop's door."

Are you trying to put God first in your life by serving your country? You will find it all in the motto, "For God and Home and Native Land." White Ribbons are good patriots. They stand for that higher patriotism that answers to the call of the nation in its need in times of peace as well as in war. Not for the old battles to be fought over again, but for right to triumph over wrong, in the ever present now. Not against the tyranny of King George, but against the tyranny of King Alcohol, against corruption in politics, against greed in business, against oppression of the poor, against the seating of the enemies of the nation in the seats of its congress. Not against the slavery of the black only, but against slavery of all kinds. Slavery through drink, slavery through unjust social conditions, slavery through impurity, slavery through unrighteous legislation. Our warfare peaceful, often quiet and obscure, is for humanity's sake, and we as Christians ought to manifest daily, by word and deed, our faith in God and our loyalty to Christ, whose we are and whom we serve.

THE INTERNATIONAL REFORM BUREAU

Is an active, non-partisan, non-sectarian organization, duly incorporated, with Board of Trustees and Board of Directors, having its headquarters, at 206 Pennsylvania ave., S. E., Washington, D. C. Rev. Wilbur F. Crafts, Ph. D., is Superintendent, Rev. O. R. Miller, A. M., is its Field Secretary.

THE REFORM BUREAU'S OBJECT.

The primary object of the Reform Bureau is to secure the passage by Congress of important and much-needed reform legislation along the lines of temperance, Sabbath Observance, stricter divorce laws, anti-gambling, anti-polygamy, etc.

The Bureau promotes those Christian reforms on which the churches sociologically unite, while theologically differing. It proffers co-operation to all associations that stand for the defence of the Sabbath and purity; for the suppression of intemperance, gambling and political corruption; for the substitution of arbitration and conciliation for both industrial and international wars.

The Reform Bureau's past success may be seen from the fact that eight bills passed by Congress were drawn up by the Bureau and introduced at its request, and by it, with the help of other reform organizations, followed up and pushed to final success, as follows:

1. The bill so long desired by Dr. Paton to stop the shipping of liquor, opium and firearms by American traders to the New Hebrides Islands.
2. The bill to close by contract the gates of the St. Louis fair on the Sabbath.
3. The bill to suppress liquor selling in all the immigrant stations of our country.
4. The new divorce law for the District of Columbia, limiting divorces to one cause only.
5. The bill to break up the "divorce colonies" in the territories, especially in Oklahoma, by requiring a 12 months' residence there before one can get a divorce.
6. The Johnson Anti-Canteen amendment to remove from the camps of our soldiers the temptation of intoxicating liquor.
7. The bill to increase the protection of girls under 21 in the District of Columbia.
8. The Senate resolution favoring an international treaty to suppress rum selling among all the uncivilized races of the world.

IT PREVENTS BAD LEGISLATION.

The Reform Bureau has also prevented much bad legislation. It secured the defeat of the Bartlett-Cameron bill to license race gambling in the District of Columbia; and it defeated a similar bill in the Pennsylvania Legislature and two attempts to repeal the strict divorce law of the District of Columbia, also an attempt to grant an opium monopoly in the Philippines.

Is not a society that can report such large moral dividends worthy of generous support?

REFORM BUREAU PLANS FOR 1904-5.

- We shall press for the following measures:
1. Stronger National Anti-Gambling laws.
 2. A better Sabbath law for Washington, D. C.
 3. A National Anti-Cigarette law.

4. The McCumber bill to suppress liquor selling in old soldiers' homes and in all buildings owned by the United States Government.

5. An Anti-Polygamy amendment to the constitution; meanwhile seeking the expulsion of Smoot, in co-operation with the W. C. T. U.

6. The Hepburn Inter-State Liquor bill to stop liquor dealers from another State shipping liquors by express in the original packages to illegal liquor dealers in no-license territory; this bill will greatly strengthen the effectiveness of all No-license and Prohibitory laws.

7. A uniform Marriage and Divorce law throughout the country. Divorce laws in all the States should be raised to the high standard set by the new divorce law at the National Capital.

8. We will urge on other nations the International Temperance Treaty to suppress liquor selling among all uncivilized races of the world.

The Superintendent and Field Secretary, who give their whole time to the work of the Bureau, will also, in addition to their work for good legislation, continue to drive out foul literature, promote better Sabbath observance, work for temperance, urge the Curfew and other needed local reforms wherever they go.

LARGE RESULTS AT SMALL COST.

Bishop Alex. Mackay Smith, of Philadelphia, says: "The Reform Bureau is one of those institutions absolutely necessary in Washington to get Congress to do things which must be done, but which have no one else to put them in motion. I do not believe that any other society for aiding decent things gets such large results at so small a cost."

Are you a member of the Reform Bureau? If not, will you not join, and thus receive its magazine, the Twentieth Century Quarterly, and other bulletins and literature from time to time, which will keep you informed as to the progress of all the great reform movements at our National Capital.

The Bureau memberships are as follows: Junior member (under 21 years), 50c; Associate member, \$1.00; Active member, \$2.00; Annual member, \$3.00; Corresponding member, \$4.00; Supporting member, \$5.00; Sustaining member, \$10.00; Honorary member, \$25.00. Patron, \$50.00; Life member, \$100.00.

Can you not help the Bureau's work to the extent of one of the above memberships, for one year at least? If so, please sign the blank below and give to the Bureau's representative, or mail to the Reform Bureau's headquarters, 206 Pennsylvania ave., S. E., Washington, D. C.

Name.....

Street.....

Town of

Amount.....When Payable.....

Bureau memberships may be terminated at the end of any year if desired.

HOLD CONTESTS.

How the time flies and how swiftly the few remaining weeks between now and convention will pass and how necessary that we improve this valuable time.

I trust that we have not forgotten the aim—650 contests—and it may surprise you to learn that more than half of these are yet to be held.

I know that, in some localities, it was necessary to lay down the work for the winter, but I trust that these will be taken advantage of this beautiful weather and make up for lost time. The few who have labored through cold and heat are certainly to be commended, but, my dear sisters, we must help to bear the burden. I feel sure that you will be repaid for any sacrifice made and let us work to win.

May God abundantly bless every effort put forth in this, His cause.

CORA M. STEELE.

FIELD NOTES.

Mrs. Martha M. Allen, National Superintendent Non-Alcoholic Medication, has just written that the lady who proposed to solicit funds for printing the Leaflets to be given to physicians, has not yet secured the required amount.

Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, State President, was out five weeks in Institute work. She gained one hundred and five active and sixty honorary members, pledged one hundred and eight boys and girls for the Loyal Temperance Legion and made twenty-four addresses.

Benton County is moving on. Never before have we had so much temperance talk and work. We have only one saloon in Benton, and that will go when the license expires. The blind pigs are few, and they are being rooted out. It keeps us busy, but the men and the public press are most loyal.

South Kokomo Union has rented a room at the Orphans' Home building in which to hold weekly meetings. The following was a program for a recent meeting: Devotional, Mrs. Edwards; Solo, Mrs. Zealans; for service, Mrs. Arnold; Story, a lesson for Mothers, Mrs. Richards; Purity in Literature and Art, Mrs. Roush.

Dillsboro Union held a very successful silver medal contest April 29 in the Presbyterian Church. There were six contestants, each of whom had made special preparation. The recitations were all well rendered. The music was impressive and appropriate. Miss Lucy Gintes was awarded the medal, which was presented by County President, Mrs. C. M. Kroft.

Little Lois Vayhinger beautifully recited *Little Blossom* at Watertord.

Franklin County Institute was held at Bath. Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer, leader. The Institute was carried out as laid down, our ministers making the discussions very interesting. On the first evening Miss Palmer lectured and on the second evening there was a silver and gold medal contest. Miss Edyth Maley received the gold medal and Miss Opha Stout, the silver. The Willard Memorial Union of Bath gave a dinner which was enjoyed by all.

Burlington Union held a contest May 28 at Cloverdale M. E. church, which was very interesting. Miss Carrie Kenworthy won the medal. Mrs. Alice Hanson, our President, and Mrs. Edith Johnson conducted the contest, after which, Mrs. Johnson gave a very interesting talk on W. C. T. U. work and read the pledge. Large attendance. Receipts, \$11.00. Fifty pages of literature distributed. Three more contests on foot by Burlington Union.

Hammond Union held a triple medal contest May 19. There was a class of children, aged ten or under, of which Miss Ruth Webster won the medal. A class of young people, of which Miss Frances Hamacher took the medal and Miss Nelle Holmes won in the vocal music contest. The audience was pleased with the evening's entertainment and the Union counts it a success every way, except financially. It will help the work for the future.

Crown Point Union observed Flower Mission day June 9. The ladies of the Union met in the parlor of the M. E. church at 8 o'clock. After short devotional service, 135 bouquets were made and distributed; 28 at the county asylum, 17 at county jail, 14 at sanitarium. The remaining bouquets were given to the sick, aged and shut-ins of the town. As the night closed upon us we felt that it had been one more day's work for Jesus.

Marion County W. C. T. U. will give a lawn fete. The funds raised will be used in assisting other organizations. To protect young women passing through Indianapolis on their way to St. Louis Exposition, it was planned to place a W. C. T. U. woman in the Union Station at Indianapolis, but Superintendent Zion thought the woman provided by the company gave sufficient protection to those passing through the station. Much disappointment is felt at the failure of this plan.

Porter County held a most successful and profitable Institute under the leadership of our State President, Mrs. Vayhinger. The day sessions were unusually interesting, several papers being read and ably discussed that brought out facts that were very helpful. At each evening session a contest was held, the first evening by a class of boys and the second by girls. A number of new names were added to the membership roll and many who had never attended an Institute before spoke in warm praise of our gifted President and bespoke future success to our cause.

Princeton Union held its annual Institute May 6 and 7, 1904. The meetings were held in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and were fairly well attended. Mrs. Houghton, our leader, was untiring in her efforts to make the meetings a success. Nearly all the topics on the program were taken up and discussed. There were some subscriptions to our papers. We secured ten new members and twelve one dollar subscriptions to the Hadley Home and a ten dollar silver medal contest. We wish to express to Mrs. Houghton our thanks and appreciation for her work among us.

Mrs. Stahl, our efficient Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings and Purity, spent two days and three evenings in Pulaski county. At Star City she gave her lecture on Alaska, speaking of her shipwreck, which was very interesting. On Sabbath afternoon she held a Mothers' Meeting, which was well attended and highly appreciated. Three new members were gained. In the evening she gave a gospel temperance lecture to a large and attentive audience. We trust that the good seed sown will bring forth an abundant harvest. From Star City she went to Winamac.

Mooreville Union observed Flower Mission day by visiting every shut-in sick person and every aged person in town and in the country near by. Six little girls, dressed in white, distributed seventy-five bouquets for the union. Our union is doing a splendid flower mission work. Saturday, June 18, the president and vice-president will give a reception to the union, each member bringing a lady friend. A good program will be rendered. All the ministers and their wives are invited. In this way we hope to create an interest in the temperance work and secure new members. Ice cream and cake will be served.

South Marion Flower Mission Day was a success. A program of songs and recitations was followed by the reading of a paper by Mrs. Smith. Subject, Why more women attend church than men. After this interesting program, refreshments were served. A collection, amounting to \$3.20 was taken, which was given to the Flower Mission Superintendent to buy flower mission literature. Sixty-five bouquets, tied with white ribbon, forty text cards and 1,146 pages of literature were arranged to distribute. Bouquets were pinned on the street car men and were sent to all sick neighbors, to the hospital and jail. Great pains taken to furnish all with bouquets. Forty guests were in attendance.

Economy Union gave a reception at the home of the President, Mrs. Hannah Taylor, on Thursday evening, June 16, in honor of sixteen new members, the result of our membership contest. Good music, social enjoyment and light refreshments were enjoyed by 125 invited guests. Miss Marie Brehm gave her lecture, On the Jericho Road, on June 23, to a good audience in the M. E. Church. The collection paid expenses. Eight more members were enrolled, six honorary. The decorations, arranged by the young people, were the admiration of all.

Lebanon Union Flower Mission Day was most interesting. Ninety-one bouquets, tied with white ribbon with scripture text cards attached, were distributed among the sick, the aged and the prisoners in the county jail. Afterward a visit to the Orphans' Home east of the city, where were eight boys and one girl between the ages of seven and sixteen years, under the motherly care of Mrs. Phil. Herod, the matron. The children seemed happy. On the return a stop was made at the County Infirmary, where a cordial welcome was extended by Mrs. Campbell, Superintendent. About thirty-five persons are now residents at this place, a majority of whom are old men, some of them pitiable indeed. In addition to the flowers distributed to all, temperance literature was also given. Mrs. Herod and Mrs. Campbell joined the W. C. T. U.

DuBois County Institute was held at Bethel on account of the inclement weather, the two days' business was transacted in one day. A little band of faithful women and a few visitors gathered at the little county church. The meeting opened with singing Blessed Assurance. Devotional exercises, Mrs. Sara G. Kelso, Institute leader, Mrs. Elizabeth Houghton. Miss Anna Killin was elected Secretary pro tem. Mrs. Sara G. Kelso, chairman of the enrollment committee, reported present one National Superintendent of Unfermented Wine, one County President, one County Treasurer, one County Press Superintendent, two local Secretaries, one local Treasurer and a goodly number of visitors. Owing to the busy season among the farmers, the crowd was not so large as it would have been otherwise. One woman even drilled corn to get a horse to come and was prevented at last. Mrs. Houghton spoke on Loyal Temperance Legion and literature. A Bible reading was given by Mrs. Houghton. Miss Emma Alford was appointed Superintendent of Evangelistic department. Mrs. M. L. Hobbs spoke on the co-operation of forces. The leader spoke earnestly on the Use of Alcohol as a Medicine. Her husband being a physician, she presented the subject very ably. Miss Helen Rose talked on Which Shall Live, Scientific Temperance in the Public Schools or the Report of the Committee of Fifty? They closed with a love feast and repeated the Lord's Prayer in concert.

South Bend Central Section of the W. C. T. U. entertained a Thimble at the home of Mrs. A. W. Lee. Eighty-five ladies were present. After an enjoyable social hour had been passed and all the guests had arrived, a very helpful program was rendered. Prayer was offered by County President, Mrs. Fassnacht, followed by a pleasing duet by Mrs. Lucian Snyder and Mrs. Will Taylor. The first speaker was Miss Hill, teacher of drawing in our public schools. Miss Hill's experience among the children has enabled one of her keen observation to present to those of less experience many helpful thoughts in regard to the training of children. This impression was left with the listeners: Teach the children to be natural, not mechanical; the mother is to remember she is not to grow old, but to keep in touch with the child. Her address was well received. Mrs. Alexander Staples, President of the Section, gave an earnest talk on The Responsibility of Motherhood. She said, in part, Men and women are trained for every profession in life except that of motherhood and yet what other calling is fraught with so great responsibility? Mrs. Staples' talk, though not to say lengthy, gave food for much serious thought and brought us face to face with facts we should be under obligations to consider. The duet, Unanswered Let, which followed, seemed to be the final aid in clinching the thought with which Mrs. Staples would impress her hearers. Miss Alice Bradley then gave very helpful ideas concerning the teaching of purity among children, her thought being the teaching through nature. Very beautifully indeed were her thoughts illustrated by word pictures. Every mother was surely helped by the thoughts which Miss Bradley presented. Mrs. Emil Rye then dealt with the practical side of life in solving many Mothers' Problems, every illustration being either from personal experience or observation. If, according to Mrs. Rye, Johnnie were spanked when he lays on the floor, kicking and screaming for what he wants, he would be saved considerable trouble in future life. This paper will surely prove helpful to those who heard it. Mrs. Snyder then sang, very sweetly, *Balm Days*. Choice refreshments were served. The ladies expressed themselves as having spent a very profitable afternoon.

Marion County News Items—Mrs. Carrie Quinn, Medal Contest Superintendent, is doing very successful work. At the Institute recently held Mrs. Quinn prepared a class of ten. Every selection was given in so perfect a manner that the judges had difficulty in rendering a decision. Mrs. Florence Werner received the Matrons' Silver Medal, presented by Hon. B. F. Watson. This same recitation, the result of

treating, was given by Mrs. Werner at an entertainment given in Maccabee Hall and was well received there.

At a contest given in the Garden Baptist Church of Indianapolis, Miss Martha Gyer received the Silver Medal. The members of this church became so much interested in W. C. T. U. work that they are planning to organize a union in that vicinity. Probably the most successful contest of recent date was held at Broad Ripple, for the benefit of Hadley Home, by a class of ten. Contests are planned by this class for all towns near Broad Ripple. Mrs. Quinn is fortunate in securing the services of the Alliance Quartette at most of her contests. The music is much enjoyed.

Mrs. Amanda Whitson, State Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication, furnished the program for the social meeting of Indianapolis Central Union in May. Slips of paper were given each person present, upon which questions were written. The questions for this day were upon the use of Patent Medicines, the per cent of alcohol used in their preparation and the effects produced by them. Each person was expected to answer the question upon the slip of paper she held. Mrs. Whitson believes that people only need education along these lines. That the almost universal use of these widely advertised medicines is the result of ignorance and carelessness. Mrs. Whitson also gave a chart talk and showed a slip of muslin three yards long and one yard wide, which was completely covered with Patent Medicine advertisements, clipped from the Indianapolis Star, in one week. If Mrs. Whitson had waited until the next week two issues of the paper would have filled her strip of muslin. Ten members united with Central Union upon this occasion.

Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, of Nora, entertained Broad Ripple Union, of which she is a member, the County W. C. T. U. officers and other friends from Indianapolis, Wednesday, June 8, in a most delightful manner. Carriages met the guests at Broad Ripple. After reaching Mrs. Hessong's beautiful country home, Flower Mission exercises were held. Mrs. Ada Leck spoke of her visit to the Central Hospital for the Insane, where Miss Clarice Metz, our young and very ardent Flower Mission Superintendent, had gained admission and prepared a program.

Over fifty persons were entertained at dinner, the souvenirs being sprays of syringas tied with white ribbon. After dinner the regular meeting of Broad Ripple was held, Mrs. Fannie Kelso, President, presiding. Mrs. Amanda Whitson gave a most instructive talk upon the danger of alcohol used as a medicine. Miss Marie Leck read a paper upon the relation of the W. C. T. U. and Young Peoples' Societies. Four new members were received. At the close of the meeting Mrs. Kelso gave the four young women who had united with the Union a very beautiful motherly talk. She told them of the solemnity of the pledge they had taken and of the help they could and were expected to give the organization. This talk was private, but was overheard and a wish was expressed that each Union President would follow Mrs. Kelso's example.

Flower Mission Day was observed by all unions in Marion county. Miss Clarice Metz, Flower Mission Superintendent, procured permission to visit the Central Hospital for the Insane. The program given so pleased the Superintendent of that institution that an invitation was given the W. C. T. U. to come again. The Gibbs' settlement of North Indianapolis was visited in the evening and a good program rendered, which had been prepared by Miss Metz. More than usual credit is due this young girl, as this work came during the week of her graduation from High School and meant much self-denial for her. Over 400 bouquets were distributed by Francis Willard Union at the City Hospital; the Orphans' Home, Work House, Female Reformatory, Door of Hope and other institutions were visited by the different unions. Mrs. Cassandra Robbins, Flower Mission Superintendent in Central Union, gave a Flower Mission program, 300 bouquets and text cards tied with white ribbon, at Myers' Mission Sabbath School the Sunday preceding June 9.

A Lawn Social was given by Mrs. Mary Moody, County Superintendent of Anti-Narcotics and Mrs. Zetta Bennett Keefer at the home of Mrs. Moody, for the purpose of raising funds for their work. Two palmists donated their services and a very pleasant evening was enjoyed. The money secured will be used in procuring literature for the Clara Sears Y. Branch, of which Mrs. Keefer is President, and in bringing Miss Cole to Indianapolis to lecture on Anti-Cigarette lines.

IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. MARY WILLS—After a long and painful illness, fell asleep in Jesus, at seventy-five years of age. She was the mother of Mrs. Jennie W. Stephenson, the efficient Corresponding Secretary of Grant County. Mrs. Stephenson has the love and sympathy of a large circle of white ribbon sisters.

MRS. MOLLIE WILKINS—Departed this life May 26 at the age of thirty-eight years. She had been a great sufferer, but bore it all with Christian patience. She was a charter member of the Campbellsburg Union. She was a faithful worker in the temperance cause, yet while we realize our great loss we know that it is her gain.

MRS. SARAH ANNA KIMES—In her death the Hadley W. C. T. U. has lost one of the most earnest members. She was sympathetic, truthful and faithful. Open handed to help every reform. In death she wore the little white ribbon bow and upon her casket, amid the floral tokens, was seen an elegant white ribbon bow, emblematic of the pure, unselfish, white life of our beloved sister and the cause she honored. She leaves a husband and two children, to whom we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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There's so much bad in the best of us,
And so much good in the worst of us,
That it scarcely behooves any of us,
To talk about the rest of us.
—Robert Louis Stevenson.

RIGHT WHERE I AM.

Sometimes within me envy stirs,
Because my sister's field is wide;
The blessed power to lead is hers,
And every grace is multiplied
In those who follow and obey
Her gentle counsels day by day.

My lot in life seems very small,
My influence meager; never speech
Of mine shall multitudes enthral
Or inmost heart recesses reach,
Perhaps just one may like to hear
My voice, because she holds me dear.

But I am weak, my sister strong;
The burdens of her wider sphere
She sweetly bears with smile and song,
Would overwhelm me, Ah! 'tis clear
That I am where the Master willed;
So are my envious longings stilled.

Right where I am, there is no need
To fold my hands, my voice to still,
Since here are children who may heed
A word, a touch, that love doth fill,
And sorrowing hearts who long to gain
The joy of heaven amid earth's pain.

Right where I am, then, I will be
All consecrated to my Lord;
Right where I am, give sympathy,
The loving smile, the helpful word;
Right where I am, I'll not refuse
Aught of myself for Him to use.

Ottawa, Kas.

—Mary C. Kittredge.

CONVENTIONS.

National, Philadelphia, November, 1904.
Indiana, Columbus, October, 1904.

SUMMER ASSEMBLIES—W. C. T. U. DAYS.

Lake Maxinkuckee, August 17-18, 1904.
Bethany Park, July 25, 1904.
Island Park, Rome City, August 11, 1904.

Franchise Day, August 6.

Temperance newspapers should be in every
Christian home.

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THE W. C. T. U. DEPARTMENT WORK AT ISLAND PARK ASSEMBLY.

For the fifth year the Assembly Union, superin-
tended by that untiring, successful temperance edu-
cator, Mrs. Mary E. Balch, formerly State Corre-
sponding Secretary of the Indiana Union, now resid-
ing in Louisville, Ky., and Corresponding Secretary
of the W. C. T. U. of her State, has made this De-
partment of Christian Temperance Education a power
in helpfulness on the Assembly grounds.

It has superintended the Physical Culture, the
Elocution, the Loyal Legion, the Boys' and Girls'
Classes, the Kindergarten, Mothers' Meetings and
Parlor Conferences, providing at least two grand pro-
grams along temperance lines this year, making
one great day—August 11—a Tri-State Temperance
Rally, as noted in the program.

For the 1904 session, Mrs. Mary E. Everstone
will have charge of the Mothers' Meetings and Loyal
Temperance Legion; Mercy Meetings in charge of

Mrs. Lou Rall; Suffrage Meetings in charge of Miss
Pearl Rall, who will also serve as Press Correspond-
ent for the Union; Medal Contest work in charge
of Mrs. Cora Steele. The literature booth and gen-
eral headquarters will be kept open during the entire
session on the Park grounds.

The W. C. T. U. Home will be open for guests by
July 20 and all W. C. T. U. workers of Ohio, In-
diana and Michigan are urged to attend the Assem-
bly and take part under the direction of the depart-
ments of special work. For particulars, address Mrs.
Mary E. Balch, Island Park, Rome City, Ind.

Y. W. C. T. U.

We trust that all of you are working as hard as
possible to make this year one of the most successful
years we have ever spent.

Try out door contests during August. Take your
young friends to some pretty lawn, eat your lunch
and have a contest in the evening. You will be sur-
prised what a nice free will offering you will receive,
also helping the temperance cause.

Not as many of the Unions returned the quarterly
blank as we expected would. Remember how import-
ant this part of our work is to your Secretary.

Anderson Y.'s will celebrate their anniversary
August 22, 1904, inviting their friends to share
with them a literary and musical program. A paper
will be prepared telling where the former members
are, etc., which will be one of the attractive features.

Begin to plan to attend the State W. C. T. U.
convention to be held at Columbus, Ind. Save some
of your vacation money, so you can attend; it will won-
derfully help you girls.

Try and gain one new member each before our
books close for the year, September 15, 1904. Pray
and lift for the sake of our cause through our blessed
Lord.
CLARA M. SEARS.

ISLAND PARK, ROME CITY, IND.

W. C. T. U. DAY, THURSDAY, AUGUST 11.

8:30 A. M. Evangelistic Services, Chautauqua Hall.
10:00 A. M. Song service.
10:30 A. M. Address—The Truth Shall Make You
Free. Mrs. Anne W. Clark, President
Ohio W. C. T. U.
11:00 A. M. Address—The Apostasy of Woman.
Mrs. A. S. Benjamin, President Mich-
igan W. C. T. U.
11:30 A. M. Address—Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger,
President Indiana W. C. T. U.

NOONTIDE PRAYER.

1:45 P. M. Opening services.
2:00 P. M. Address—Miss Anna A. Gordon, Vice-
President National W. C. T. U. and
World's Secretary Loyal Temperance
Legion.
3:00 P. M. Address—Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, Pres-
ident National W. C. T. U.
4:00 P. M. Parliamentary drill by Mrs. Benjamin.
Informal reception.
7:30 P. M. Oratorical contest for diamond medal.

In the history of our cause in Indiana, never have
we had such a feast of good things offered on one
day's program.

REMEMBER! REMEMBER!

Our thoughts are now turning to the summary of
the year's work which must soon be made. All year
we have been hearing that the convention of 1903, at
Hartford City, was the best ever held, but we are look-
ing forward to a larger attendance, better reports, bet-
ter plans, and more of the Christ spirit in the great
convention to be held at Columbus in October. Our
plans for the past year have been good, and many
loyal workers have carefully and conscientiously done
their part in working them out, but much remains to
be accomplished in the few weeks that are left.

Remember that we are working for a gain of 1,000
members above the membership of last year. If
every white ribboner in the State will see that her own
dues are paid and then consider herself a member of
a Get One Committee, we will come up to the State
Convention with the largest membership the Indiana
W. C. T. U. has ever had. All dues must be in the
State Treasurer's hands by the 25th of September, or
they cannot be included in this year's report. Re-
member this. It is important.

Remember that we are trying hard to win the
beautiful Contest Banner this year and if we hold 650
contests we will be quite sure of it. If every union in
the State would become a member of a Hold One Con-
test Committee and get the report to the State Contest
Superintendent, Mrs. Cora Steele, by September 25,
we would succeed in that. At present we are leading

all the States, but the next few weeks will be busy
ones everywhere and we must work to win. If you
cannot have a public contest, hold a parlor contest.

Remember our plan to distribute 3000 copies of
the books, At the Mercy of the State, Who Killed
Joe's Baby, and Two. These books ought to be in
every Union and circulated as widely as possible.
Mrs. Stanley has done much good by giving readings
from the first two books, and I have been giving a
reading, Jim and Joe, from the book Two. We have
done what we could, but you can reach many more.
So far Marion County is the banner county, having
distributed nearly two hundred books. Will you not
help work out this plan, sending the report to the
State Superintendent of Literature. Order Two from
the New Voice Co., price 25 cents. I can fill some
orders for Who Killed Joe's Baby, 10 cents, and At
the Mercy of the State, 15 cents.

Remember that it will take at least \$1,000 to clear
up the outstanding indebtedness for Hadley Industrial
School and running expenses must be met. We are
asking one thousand persons to contribute \$1.00 each
to this debt fund. Every member of the W. C. T. U.
ought to bear this matter on her heart, give what she
can and urge others to contribute. Send all money to
Mrs. Mattie Chandler, Mooresville, Indiana, who
is treasurer of Hadley School.

Earnest effort will bring success along all lines of
our work. Let us do our best to surmount difficulties
and come up to our State Convention with words of
good cheer and shouts of victory.

MRS. HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND.

REPORT OF \$1,000 FUND FOR BENE- FIT OF HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Previously reported.....	\$59.78
Mrs. Adelia Olcott, Cold Springs.....	1.00
Mrs. Nannie Vandolah, Cold Springs.....	1.00
Mrs. Sarah Evans, Cold Springs.....	1.00
Dr. A. D. Burge, Sweetzer.....	1.00
William Baum, Sweetzer.....	1.00
William Burge, Sweetzer.....	1.00
Mrs. Eva Wardaman, Sweetzer.....	1.00
Miscellaneous donations, Sweetzer.....	2.50
Rhoda V. Wilhite, Monrovia.....	1.00
Mrs. Louisa H. Swartz, of Nappanee, solicited from business men.....	5.88
Shugart Union, by contest.....	3.00
South Marion Union.....	70.66
Fairmount Union.....	40.53
Hadley Union, Fairmount.....	9.00
Elizabeth Allen.....	1.00
Mrs. Martha Gilmore, Indianapolis.....	1.00
Mrs. C. R. Thomas, Hartford City.....	1.00
Mrs. Irene Worley, Hartford City.....	1.00
Total.....	\$203.35

I feel that Grant County should have special men-
tion for their large contributions both to this fund and
general expense fund. Below are given some names.

MATTIE E. H. CHANDLER,
Treasurer.

NAMES OF PERSONS SENDING \$1.00 EACH FOR HADLEY
SCHOOL FROM HADLEY UNION.

Nancy Thomas, Ella Whybren, John Harvey,
Sallie P. Harvey, Rebecca Mote, Denny Winston,
Anna Winston.

NAMES OF PERSONS SENDING \$1.00 EACH FROM
FAIRMOUNT UNION.

Cynthia A. Winslow, Lydia Hiatt, Ora Winslow,
Jane Winslow, Elmira Luse, Ora Osborn, Carrie Has-
tings, Phebe Seal, Myrtle Winslow, Rachel Fellows,
Mary R. Elliott, Mary Smith, Hattie Selby, Margaret
McQuoid, Rachel Lewis, Celia Wright, Louise Rush,
Millicent Haisley, Anna Carrol, Naomia Ware, Alice
Thomas, Hannah Ellis, Sarah Luther, Eliza Davis,
Adaline Wright, Ruth Peacock, A Friend.

Mrs. Charlton Edholm, Purity Evangelist of
Oakland, California, is in Indiana for a few months.
She will be available for work at Summer Assemblies
W. C. T. U. conventions and other services. She
speaks on Traffic in Girls and Rescue Missions.
Terms, entertainment and free will offerings. Of Mrs.
Edholm, Rev. A. F. Frost, D. D., the eminent Baptist
Divine, writes: Mrs. Edholm's address on Traffic in
Girls and Work of Rescue Missions was chaste,
solemn, thrilling and appalling in its disclosure of the
present state of society and the awful danger that sur-
rounds our beautiful girls. Her book on The Traf-
fic in Girls should be read by every daughter and
mother in the land. For the present Mrs. Edholm's
address is 810 N. Pennsylvania st., Indianapolis, Ind.
Secure her for an address if possible.

The Loyal Temperance Legion supplement,
with last issue of the MESSAGE has received many
compliments. The kind and appreciative words for
the MESSAGE are very encouraging and helpful.

THE MESSAGE.

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MRS. LUELLA F. McWHIRTER, Editor,
Rosabower, Greencastle, Ind.

AUGUST, 1904.

All material intended for publication must be in the hands of the editor before the 17th of the month.

SUMMER ASSEMBLIES.

Wherever our W. C. T. U. is recognized on the programs of the great summer assemblies, it is well for our people, in fact all friends of temperance, to turn out en masse. We have thousands of members and friends who, from force of circumstances or some hindering cause, do not do much active temperance work. To these in particular let me say help swell the crowd on W. C. T. U. days; make it a business to attend and to urge your neighbors and friends to attend also.

If the W. C. T. U. Day attendance is unusually large this year, next year the Assembly management will grant us greater favors and more largely advertise our meetings. Our workers and all friends can assist the cause greatly by helping to swell the crowd. Take the young people with you. Let it be understood by all your young folks that the best music, speeches and eats are always on W. C. T. U. days and they will attend. Rally to our cause on W. C. T. U. days.

The National Convention will be held this year in Philadelphia during the last week in November, making it convenient for hundreds of delegates and many visitors to go on to Washington to attend the ceremonies of the unveiling of the statue of Miss Frances E. Willard in Statuary Hall of the National Capitol.

Presidents of Unions, are you energetically keeping up the agitation for new members? This must be done if Indiana wins the White Ribbon Star Spangled Banner as a reward for the greatest gain over five hundred in membership during this year.

In Indiana the political lines are so closely drawn that public officials do not dare enforce the liquor laws and tobacco laws on account of the party lash. All alike fear the liquor influence and vote. Oh! that we could demand the same consideration for the church organization.

To claim to be a temperance advocate during these times, means that you must be a member of a temperance organization.

Superintendents of Departments do not answer promptly communications sent them. This is a great hindrance to our work. Our machinery of organization must be kept oiled and running, if it accomplishes the needs of the cause.

Answer letters and postals if you expect courtesy from others.

The current issue of the *Ohio Messenger* is Institute number. The face of our own Mrs. Mary Hadley-Hall appears on the cover page. The issue reflects great credit upon the splendid ability of the editor, Mrs. Lillian Burt.

Rev. Silas C. Swallow, Presidential nominee of the Prohibition party, is a resident of Harrisburg, Pa., a Methodist minister, for ten years was a presiding elder. For many years he has been Superintendent of the Methodist Book Rooms and editor of the *Pennsylvania Methodist*. As nominee for governor on the Prohibition ticket, he received more than 132,000 votes. No man in all the land is more feared by the liquor boss or political trickster than Mr. Swallow.

Mr. Geo. W. Carroll, Vice-Presidential nominee of the Prohibition party, is a resident of Beaumont, Texas. A Christian gentleman with large business interests, whose judgment is respected in every bank in Texas. He inherited his father's philanthropic tendencies. Recently he gave \$75,000 to Science Hall, Baylor University, and has been known to make many other large gifts.

The temperance ranks have had a reinforcement. A son has come to the home of Hon. Charles F. Holler and wife—our own Kathryn Wirt Holler. The advent of this, the first child in this home, is of great interest to Indiana temperance people, as well as to the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Holler in other States. Mrs. Holler is our State Superintendent of Sabbath Observance and Associate National Superintendent of the same department. The MESSAGE extends hearty congratulations.

PRESS DEPARTMENT.

How swiftly we are being carried on the wings of time and ere we know it we will be brought to our annual gathering of the clans to report our work done in the past year and to plan for the future. These days are freighted with golden opportunities for doing good and are we doing all that we should?

During the first week in June I sent out 152 blank reports to be filled and returned to me and up to this time I have received but seven of these and can you wonder when I say that I feel disappointed? Surely not. I feel sure that much work has been done in the State in this very important department and how I wish that it might be reported to me. I am very anxious that Indiana have a good full report to send to the National, but to have this I must have your reports.

But more anxious am I that a vast amount of good be accomplished in our State by and through the press work. The press so far surpasses any other agency for reaching the masses of the people and through its columns we have such a far-reaching opportunity for doing good, that we can't afford to lose any time nor one single chance. Make yourselves heard, dear ones, through the daily and weekly papers in no uncertain sound and use all the space available.

When we consider the complete organization and workings of our great enemy, the amount of advertising they do, the amount of literature they distribute, the amount of space they use in our papers, etc., it should move us to double our energies and work as we never have before, that we may more successfully meet them in the battle for their right against the wrong—the home vs. the saloon.

To those of you who did not report for the third quarter, I would say please keep the blanks in sight and use them in reporting for the fourth and last quarter, including the work done in the third quarter and not reported. Be it ever so little, please send it. If anyone failed to receive a blank, please write to me and I will be only too glad to send you all you need. I still have some leaflets which are yours for the asking. Write much and report all and God will bless your efforts. Miss LAURA CAMMACK, State Superintendent, Converse, Ind.

PROGRAM FOR PRESS MEETING.

Hymn—Sow Beside all Waters.
Prayer.
Roll Call—Members responding with a short item of temperance news.
Hymn—Perseverance.
Reading—The Press for Christian Temperance, Department Leaflet No. 114.
Hymn—In Heavenly Love Abiding.
Reading—The Press as an Evangelist, Department Leaflet No. 111.
Hymn—While the Days are Going By.
After program, have social and take subscriptions for the *Union Signal*.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

We feel very much encouraged and well pleased with our L. T. L. convention and with the reception we received at Marion in June. On page 4 of the July supplement you will see the list of officers and superintendents. Remember to keep an account of all work done by your Senior department and send to these different superintendents.

By the time this reaches you, you will have received your blanks for the last quarter of the W. C. T. U. year. Please do not fail to fill out and return to me by the 20th of September, so when you or your delegates come to our convention this fall they can hear a full report done by the L. T. L. leaders this year. If you have failed to send a report in December, March or June, do not forget to include all work done for the year since September 15, 1903.

IDA M. MIX, State Secretary, Kokomo, Ind.

NATIONAL PROHIBITION CONVENTION

Was held in Indianapolis, June 29 and 30. The special prohibition trains from east and west were arriving with bands playing as the hundreds of delegates marched to their headquarters. The city was completely taken by over two thousand splendid men and women, representing Christian citizenship in its most practical form. On the evening of June 28 Tomlinson Hall was crowded to hear the interstate collegiate oratorical contest. There were six contestants. Five colleges and twenty states were represented, with eight hundred contests in the preliminary contests. The first prize, \$100 in gold, was won by Walter R. Miles, of Newburg, Ore.; the second, \$50 in gold, to the only young woman contestant, Miss Mamie White, of Indianapolis. The orations were original. The convention opened much as our W. C. T. U. conventions do, with a deep spiritual sense of the duty before us.

WIDE OPEN PURSE STRINGS—HARMONY—IRRESISTIBLE ENTHUSIASM.

A revival service. With tears running down their faces and voices choked with joy, the representatives of the Prohibition party responded to the appeal of the National Chairman with pledges and cash from nickels, dimes and quarters up to \$500 and \$1,000 contributions. There was no end to this tremendous

demonstration until \$16,000 had swelled the receipts of the National Committee to dimensions that assured a magnificent inauguration of hostilities. It was an hour never to be forgotten by participants and spectators alike. The hall rang with the ushers' calls and so rapidly did they begin to come as the climax approached, that the convention transformed its hearty applause at each announcement into a mighty continuous cheer that baffled gavel and chairman alike in a strenuous attempt to call the assembly back to earth and the regular order of business. W. W. Smith, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., the host of that historic banquet in 1896, led off with \$1,000 and the big convention thundered its joy. Hilary Early followed with \$500 and Cyclone Davis, the stalwart recruit from Texas, duplicated Mr. Early and the delegates went wild again. Then followed a roll of honor in which practically every man and woman in the monster auditorium took effective part.

THE RESOLUTIONS.

After the reading of the resolutions there was the grandest illustration of Christ in citizenship that it has ever been our privilege to witness. As the final sentence was read there occurred the surprise of the convention. Without waiting for the formal motion to accept, reject or to proceed otherwise, the convention rose to its feet as by a common impulse and burst into the most extraordinary demonstration. The floor was forsaken and chairs and railings suddenly became the coveted vantage points of 2,000 delegates cheering, while a waving mass of stars and stripes lent a beauty to the non-alcoholic pandemonium that no scribe could reproduce in a thousand years of composition. There seemed no way to go on. In a miraculous moment the motion to adopt as a whole was heard and a hundred seconds struck the chairman full amidships, and before he could state the question in the usual form the convention had taken the business into its own hands and went on with the cyclone. Then, above even the thunders of that storm of joy, there broke the strains of "America," and the tumult was swept into a chorus that could be heard blocks away and fairly shook the foundations of the hall. Now the words changed and "Old Hundred" and "Blest be the Tie that Binds" were caught up by 4,000 tongues—delegates and visitors.

Finally, when the human enginery of outward expression seemed to fail, the Rev. Dr. Palmore, editor of the *St. Louis Christian Advocate*, was called to the platform and poured out fervent words to God for his blessing upon the convention in its present decisions. And then, as if God himself had instantly answered the petition, came the climax of the deliberations. The roll was taken up for presidential nominations and the "fight" which the outside press had been fondly waiting for was due. Upon the roll call of States Silas C. Swallow, of Pennsylvania, was nominated for president.

There was no attempt at grandiloquence in what followed, but every State whose spokesman was recognized by the chair paid tribute to the Keystone leader and the triumph of harmony was complete. All the hard fights for other candidates were forgotten and the nomination was made unanimous in another whirlwind of delight that equaled the platform demonstration.—*Exchange*.

For Vice-President Hon. George W. Carroll, of Texas, was nominated amid great enthusiasm, especially among the Southern delegations.

The convention closed with a jollification meeting, with Hon. John G. Woolley and Hon. Oliver W. Stewart for speakers.

Under heading Indianapolis, the *Western Christian Advocate* says: This last week brought to our city the Prohibition hosts of the nation in their tenth national convention. The gathering was a very enthusiastic one and full of optimism. So frequent were the Amens that the local papers freely likened their sessions to an old fashioned Methodist meeting. A Methodist was put at the head of the ticket; Methodist declarations were displayed on the convention walls and it is safe to say the Church will furnish its share of support at the polls.

No tobacco smoke in the great auditorium or corridors during the days of the National Prohibition convention.

Officers of National Prohibition party: Chairman, Hon. Oliver W. Stewart, Hyde Park, Chicago; Secretary, Prof. James A. Tate, Tennessee; Treasurer, President Samuel Dickie, of Albion College, Michigan.

PROHIBITION PLATFORM—ADOPTED AT INDIANAPOLIS, JUNE 30, 1904.

The Prohibition party in national convention assembled at Indianapolis, June 30, 1904, recognizing that the chief object of all government is the establishment of these principles of righteousness and justice that have been revealed to man as the will of the ever-living God and, desiring His blessing in the perpetuation of the high ideals of government of the people, by the people and for the people, established by our fathers, makes the following declaration of principles and purposes:

THE LIQUOR PLANK.

1. The widely prevailing system of the licensed and legalized sale of alcoholic beverages is so ruinous to individual interests, so inimical to public welfare, so destructive to national wealth and so subversive

to the rights of great masses of our citizenship, that the destruction of the traffic is and for years has been the most important question in American politics.

2. We denounce the lack of statesmanship exhibited by the leaders of the Democratic and Republican parties in their refusal to recognize the paramount importance of this question and the cowardice with which the leaders of these parties have courted the favor of those whose selfish interests are advanced by the continuation and augmentation of the traffic until to-day the influence of the liquor traffic practically dominates national, state and local government throughout the nation.

LICENSE A FAILURE.

3. We declare the truth, demonstrated by the experience of half a century, that all methods of dealing with the liquor traffic which recognize its right to exist in any form, under any system of license or tax or regulation have proven powerless to remove its evils and useless checks upon its growth, while the insignificant public revenues which have accrued therefrom have seared the public conscience against a recognition of iniquity.

4. We call public attention to the fact, proved by the experience of more than fifty years, that to secure the enactment and enforcement of prohibitory legislation in which alone lies hope of the protection of the people from the liquor traffic, it is necessary that the legislative, executive and judicial government should be in the hands of a political party in harmony with the prohibition principle and pledged to its embodiment in law and to the execution of these laws.

THE GREATEST ISSUE.

5. We pledge the Prohibition party wherever given power by the suffrages of the people, to the enactment and enforcement of the laws prohibiting and abolishing the manufacture, importation, transportation and sale of alcoholic beverages.

6. We declare that there is not only no other issue of equal importance before the American people to-day, but that the so-called issues upon which the Democratic and Republican parties seek to divide the electorate of the country are in large part subterfuges under the cover of which they wrangle for the spoils of office.

7. Recognizing that the legitimate voters of the country may properly ask our attitude upon other questions of public concern, we declare ourselves in favor of:

The impartial enforcement of all laws.

CAPITAL AND LABOR.

The safeguarding of the people's rights by a rigid application of the principles of justice to all combinations and organizations of capital and labor.

A more intimate relation between the people and government by a wise adaptation of the principle of the initiative and referendum.

The safeguarding to every citizen in every place under the government of the people of the United States of all the rights, guaranteed by the laws and the constitutions.

THE SOCIAL EVIL.

The reform of our divorce laws, the final extirpation of polygamy and the total overthrow of the present shameful system of illegal sanction of the social evil, with its unspeakable traffic in girls, by the municipal authorities of almost all our cities.

We declare ourselves in favor of recognition of the fact that the right of suffrage should depend upon the mental and moral qualifications of the citizens.

We declare ourselves in favor of such changes in our laws as will place tariff schedules in the hands of an omnipartisan commission.

LIQUORS AT THE FAIR.

It requires nearly two thousand bartenders and waiters to serve the patrons of the World's Fair on the grounds of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition at the present time. These bartenders and waiters serve the crowds from 54 beer halls, drinking bazaars and restaurants whose chief sales are beer.

The entire Exposition is hardly more than a gigantic beer preserve. Many of the best attractions are hidden behind beer halls. Beer and wine exhibits, all out of proportion to the legitimate industries, appear everywhere, in nearly every portion of the great show.

In the car load after car load of stuff daily dealt out by the nearly two thousand waiters and bartenders, no such prodigious torrent of beer has probably ever been on view in the history of the country, save, perhaps, during the Spanish war under the regime of the army canteen.

In the forming of the great Exposition, the St. Louis brewers made an immense contribution to the managers—something like \$400,000. This contribution was made with the understanding that the beer interests would have a sort of a right of way in opportunities to get their money back. How faithfully the Fair managers kept their agreement a most casual tour of the grounds reveals. The brewery men are getting their money's worth.

And besides they are all operated on a quasi blind-tiger basis. For when the question of license came up, the noble court was disposed to be accommodating. It was solemnly decided by a St. Louis disciple of Attorney General Griggs that it was not necessary for each of the 54 beer halls on the grounds

to take out a license—that if the Exposition simply took out a single blanket license for the entire grounds, it would be unnecessary for the 54 patriots to do likewise.

Between the Fine Arts building and the Boer War exhibit, is another exceedingly instructive educational exhibit. It consists of a model country school house in a little grove—a quaint, neat little building, with a janitor to sweep it out. Only a few feet away and in the same grove, is a mammoth beer hall with great signs displayed extolling the merits of A. B. C. beer. Everybody should take their children around to these two educational exhibits and explain to the little ones the merits of A. B. C. beer.

In the Transportation building another strange phenomenon presents itself. An exhibit is made of a mammoth model brewer's car and beside it stands meekly a model gospel wagon. The gospel wagon appears somewhat ashamed of its company, but it is fastened and cannot get away.

Back of the Manufacturers' building is founded a model city. At one end is a beer garden and at the other is a bucket shop in full operation. Just outside the city limits is located the headquarters of the W. C. T. U. The brewers forgot to chuck in a Y. M. C. A. building.

In the splendid Philippine exhibit, two more beer gardens are located among the Tagals and the Igorotes. The whole reservation is fenced in and it costs 25 cents to get beyond the stockades.

At the rear of the great Agricultural building is a distillery running in full blast with a United States bonded warehouse in the rear.

At the Administration entrance is found an exhibit of modern fire apparatus—Hale's Fire Fighters. These men build a fire of real stuff and then put it out amid the huzzas of the multitude who paid 25 cents a head to have their lives saved from the fire demon. But in order to get into the Great Fire Show, one must walk through a gigantic beer hall four hundred feet long, double decked to make more space for the drinkers.

The Tyrolean Alps is another striking triumph of beer sagacity. It is nothing but a gigantic beer garden where more than two thousand chairs are placed for the use of boozers. In the center of the beer garden is a reproduction of the famous little church of Oberammergau, where the passion play is rendered every ten years. Twice a day the little church is darkened while the lecturer explains the interesting views of the village and pictures of the chief characters of the drama. As the lecturer tells of the touching story of the villagers, the audience can hear the German waiters on the outside slamming the beer schooners on the tables and yelling their orders for ein beer. As you go out of the church, you can wind your way through the drinking crowd or climb over them as you please.

The beer garden in the Irish Village lies betwixt the reproduction of Blarney Castle and the reproduction of the Irish House of Parliament. The former can be reached by walking through the beer garden, but the latter structure is nothing but another gigantic beer hall itself. It is all beer, beer, more beer. Nothing but beer is to be had or seen in the famous Irish House of Parliament.

A similar situation is to be found in the so-called French Village. People have supposed that there was a wine garden to be found in a French village, but it seems to be all a mistake. This French Village is nothing but a beer garden.

If you wish to visit the Cliff Dwellers, you must run the gauntlet of a beer hole.

If you wish to slide down the water toboggan, you must slide down between two enormous beer halls.

If you care to visit the Naval Exhibit on the Pike, you will find it sandwiched in between two gigantic beer gardens.

From the *New Voice*: To have liquor exhibits in the educational building is certainly a non-American feature.

In the Agricultural building from 20 to 25 per cent of the space, one writer says, is devoted to exhibits of intoxicants.

My enthusiasm for visiting the Fair is dying out.
EDITOR.

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TEMPLE.

The status of the Temple in Chicago at the present time (February 1, 1904) is practically the same as it was in 1898, when at the St. Paul Convention, after a long and exhaustive presentation of both sides of the question, the National W. C. T. U., in convention assembled, voted to discontinue effort for its ownership. This vote stood 285 for and 71 against.

The Temple stands on land owned by Marshall Field, for the rent of which \$40,000 has to be paid annually from the receipts of the Temple. It cost one million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$1,250,000) to build the Temple. The money to meet this outlay was raised by selling stock to the amount of \$600,000 and by borrowing \$600,000 from Marshall Field, which last named amount is in the shape of first mortgage bonds. The interest that has to be paid on these mortgage bonds from the receipts of the Temple is 5 per cent semi-annually. These first mortgage bonds are entirely distinct from the Temple trust bonds, which last named were issued by Mrs. Carse for the purpose of securing enough money to pay for one-half of the stock, that is, \$300,000 worth

of the \$600,000 worth of stock before mentioned. The stock purchased by this \$300,000, which was received through the sale of the Temple trust bonds, is held in a bank in Chicago as security for the redemption of the Temple trust bonds. Please note there are two lots of bonds—Marshall Field's first mortgage bonds and Mrs. Carse's Temple trust bonds.

Mrs. Carse, President of the Board of Trustees, has recently reported that \$85,000 will now complete the payment of the \$300,000 Temple trust bonds. If this be so and the \$85,000 were secured, it would still be necessary, in order to secure the ownership of the building free from debt, to pay for \$300,000 outstanding stock, \$600,000 due Marshall Field on the first mortgage bonds and \$45,000 indebtedness for back interest on first mortgage bonds, and of course the owners would have to continue to pay the land rental of \$40,000 each year.

TEMPLE RECEIPTS FROM INDIANA FROM JANUARY, 1903, TO JANUARY, 1904.

WABASH COUNTY.	
North Manchester Union.....	\$15.00
Mrs. L. E. Weaver, North Manchester.....	4.00
JASPER COUNTY.	
Mrs. Ruby Barcus, Rensselaer.....	\$1.00
Mrs. Alice Parks, Rensselaer.....	1.00
Mrs. Jasper Kenton, Rensselaer.....	1.00
DEKALB COUNTY.	
Garrett Union.....	\$28.00
From 14 Ladies	16.00
HUNTINGTON COUNTY.	
Emily Newcomb, Huntington.....	\$2.00
Lizzie Mahler.....	.50
CLAY COUNTY.	
Mrs. Helen Sherfey.....	\$125.00
WHITLEY COUNTY.	
Mrs. Helen Hiler, Columbia City.....	\$8 00
ST. JOSEPH COUNTY.	
Mrs. May E. Paxton, South Bend.....	\$2 00
Mrs. W. M. Weld, South Bend.....	2.00
PULASKI COUNTY.	
Sarah McNam, Star City.....	\$3.65
Ellen Potter, Oak.....	.38
ELKHART COUNTY.	
Charlotte Pearl, Elkhart.....	\$1.00
Louisa Swartz, Nappanee.....	1 50
MARSHALL COUNTY.	
Bremen W. C. T. U.....	\$6.65
Mary Timberlake, Bremen.....	.30
JAY COUNTY.	
Mrs. E. G. Fitzpatrick	\$3.30
HENRY COUNTY.	
Louisa M. N. Symonds.....	\$0.50
HENDRICKS COUNTY.	
Lydia Pearson, Plainfield.....	\$8.00
Total.....	\$230.78

THE TEMPERANCE CONGRESS.

For the first time in the history of expositions the World's Fair has given prominent recognition to temperance organizations. Under the heading, "The Liquor Traffic," there are three subdivisions. First, "The Regulations of the Liquor Traffic;" second, "Public Management of the Liquor Traffic" and third, "Efforts for Lessening Intemperance." This is a great advance.

A temperance congress commencing October 10 and lasting one week should bring vast crowds of temperance people to St. Louis at that time. Temperance organizations will have charge of the program. The W. C. T. U. will have two days.

Our friends should attend the special congress if possible.

FIELD NOTES.

If you desire membership cards you can secure them of Mrs. Brand at 10 cents per hundred.

The Diamond Medal Contest on Saturday night of the State convention will be held at Columbus, in the City Hall. Admission, 25 cents.

Auburn Union, DeKalb County, has purchased 200 copies of the Reply to the Committee of Fifty. These will be distributed at a teachers' institute to be held there in August and at which Oliver T. Stewart will speak.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley has made 148 addresses and secured 114 new members since State convention. The State Treasurer, besides the work of the office, has spoken 53 times, conducted five Institutes and secured 58 members.

Temperance Rally Days at Lake Maxinkuckee are August 17 and 18. Miss Alice R. Palmer is to lead a conference of workers and speak on the 18th. Mrs. Shedd, of Argos, is preparing for a grand gold medal contest on the evening of the 11th.

A premium will be awarded at the State convention for the best Annual Program and the best County Directory. Will all Unions and Counties which have not already sent a sample program for 1904-05 to the State Corresponding Secretary, do so at once?

Sycamore Union. Mrs. Stanley came as appointed and delivered the premium lecture to which we were entitled for an increase of ten members in one quarter. Her lecture was enjoyed very much by all. We have had an addition of eighteen members this year and a few more in sight.

The Lexington, Ky., Chautauqua Assembly has been largely attended this season. The W. C. T. U. School of Methods is a prominent feature of the Assembly program. Our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hattie W. Brand, is the leader. Very prominent workers are assisting.

Miss. Marie Brehm addressed a large and appreciative audience in a union meeting at the United Presbyterian Church, College Corner, June 26. A free-will offering of eighteen dollars and twenty-five cents was received. Five members were also added to the Union, two of these being honorary.

Mrs. Culla Vayhinger has organized a Union at Milan, Ind. This makes the fourth Union Mrs. Vayhinger has organized this year in Ripley County. County officers have not yet been elected, but we are looking forward to the pleasure of welcoming a Ripley County President to our State convention and Executive Committee.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, of Richmond, Vice-President-at-Large of our State, will be available for addresses in Indiana during the time previous to our State convention in October, at Columbus, and later in other States while enroute to the National convention at Philadelphia. This brilliant speaker is a power on the platform.

Bluffton Union did not observe Flower Mission Day until June 17, on account of the scarcity of flowers. Several members of the Union met at the home of the President, Mrs. Dr. Goodin, and sent out 110 bouquets. This Union is doing very good work along this line, for it has a noble and faithful Local Superintendent in the person of Mrs. Stevenson.

Plan now for the offering of gold money prizes for high school essays on a given temperance subject. In this connection let me urge you to consider the Prohibition Inter-Collegiate Association and help the consecrated young men to carry this gospel work into the colleges of Indiana. We do need the influence of many young college men in this temperance work.

Mr. J. George Frederick, President of the Pennsylvania Loyal Temperance Legion, visited Greencastle, addressed the L. T. L. there one evening in Locust St. M. E. Church and on Sunday made short addresses at the two Methodist Sunday Schools. Mr. Frederick is a young man of rare ability, he is a noted short story writer for *McClure's*, *Success* and other magazines; he is also a most pleasing speaker.

Hereafter, no White Ribboner will speak of fruit punch, but will label lemonade or other drinks made from fruit, Fruice, a compound of fruit and juice. This name has been adopted by a number of State Unions. Our own Central Executive Committee has sanctioned its use and now, instead of speaking of the punch bowl, let it be called the fruice bowl.—*Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

At Columbus, in October, the W. C. T. U. Convention will meet and every white ribboner who can do so should plan to attend. Plan to take your son or daughter with you. For one dollar a day arrangements can no doubt be made for their board while there. In no other way can you spend a few dollars on your children that the returns will be a greater pleasure to you and benefit to them.

The Bluffton Union is to be congratulated on having secured Miss Marie C. Brehm for Sunday, June 19. Despite the rain and the confliction with other church services there was a good audience. There was a very good collection and one new member added in the morning. In the evening the house was crowded. At the latter service twenty-three new names for membership and two prohibition votes were secured.

In Plainfield, during the months of July and August, the four churches unite for the Sunday evening service. This year, the four ministers, after arranging for two sermons each, gave the first of the nine evenings to the W. C. T. U., which invited Miss Palmer to fill the pulpit. Miss Palmer spoke to a large audience of members from all the congregations in the evening, after addressing the Friends' meeting in the forenoon.

The Indianapolis News Newsboys' Band furnished the music at a lawn fete given by the Mapleton Union Tuesday evening, July 26, at the home of its President, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian street, Indianapolis. Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand gave a reading, Jim and Joe, at the Mapleton M. E. church Sabbath evening, June 24, for the benefit of the Hadley Industrial School. A Mothers' Meeting was held at Mrs. D. McClintock's Friday, July 1.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley recently organized a Union at Clay City, Clay County. This, with the new Brazil Y., gives Clay County three Unions and Mrs. Stanley had the pleasure of organizing the county with the following officers: President, Mrs. Dora Keith; Vice-President, Mrs. Anna Bard; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth Ell; Treasurer, Mrs. Anna Menough. The many friends of Mrs. Dora Keith will be glad to welcome her to the State Executive Committee.

August is the month in which Local Unions should elect officers and superintendents for the coming year. County conventions should be held in September without fail.

Jeffersonville Union is making a fine record this year. Last year they paid dues for thirteen members. They now claim a membership of eighty. If the dues are collected, this bids fair to be the banner Union for largest per cent gain in membership. They are carrying on a campaign for the enforcement of the cigarette law. A hundred copies of the law have been tacked up in conspicuous places and a systematic canvass is being made for signatures to a petition asking the proper authorities to enforce the law.

Miss Marie C. Brehm, who always finds a warm welcome in Indiana, recently completed a successful two weeks' tour through the State, speaking at the following places: Valparaiso, Hammond, North Manchester, South Bend, Goshen, Marion, Bluffton, Warren, Fairmount, Elwood, Economy, Richmond, College Corner and Liberty. With few exceptions the audiences were large and many members were added to our ranks. The Unions write enthusiastically of Miss Brehm's good work. From Indiana she went to Ashland, Ky., where she had charge of the W. C. T. U. work at the Ashland Assembly for ten days.

At Swayzee, Margaret Newkirk, Superintendent of Contest Work, has given several successful contests. A Matrons' silver medal contest was given July 3 at the opera house and it was quite a success in every way. There were eight ladies in the class and each one spoke well. Mrs. McElhaney won the medal, her subject being, An Angel in a Saloon. A flag drill was given by the children, which was very pretty. This class will speak at Sycamore next Sunday, July 17. Mrs. Newkirk has also given several other contests and is preparing to have others in the near future, one of which will be a gold. We think this contest work is helping our cause very much.

Bartholomew County Institute was held at Hartsville June 16 and 17, Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer presiding. A good program had been prepared and most excellent music was furnished by the young people. On the evening of the 16th Mrs. Cummins, leader of Contest Work, held a silver medal contest. Mrs. Washington Spangh was the winner. There were eight contestants. The others were each presented with a small medal bearing the pledge on the one side and the profile of Miss Willard on the other. We have received word from the Hadley Home that they appreciated our box very much. These meetings are a source of strength to us and we feel that we can take up the battle with greater zeal. To God be all the praise.

Thirty-three new Unions have been reported since the last State convention. They are as follows: Victory Union, in Allen County; Osgood, Versailles, Morgantown, Trafalgar, Warsaw, Brazil Y., Liberty Center, Bloomfield, New Haven, Batesville, Charlestown, Utica, Henryville, Coloma, LaFayette, Muncie, Waterford, Shippshewanna, North Vernon, Clay City and Milan. Immediately upon the organization of a Union, the names of the officers, with correct addresses, should be sent to the State Corresponding Secretary. Mrs. Brand will then have the record on her books and a package of supplies will be sent to the President of the new Union. If there are any unreported Unions in the State, she would be glad to have them reported at once.

At Jeffersonville, in the First Presbyterian Church, one evening recently, Mrs. Brand gave a reading entitled Jim and Joe. A Jeffersonville paper says:

Jim and Joe, a temperance story, was told in poetry that was touching and pathetic. Those who failed to hear it have much to regret, as the poem is a gem and it was delivered in a manner in thorough harmony with the sentiment. At the conclusion of the services at the First Presbyterian church, Mrs. Brand was presented with a handsome bouquet of white carnations, held together by white ribbons. Dr. Sallie C. Jackson made a brief presentation speech on behalf of the W. C. T. U. In the afternoon a parlor meeting was held at the home of Mrs. G. W. Badger, 729 East Maple street, in honor of Mrs. Brand. She gave a history of the work in the State during the first half of the year, showing a net increase in membership of 300, swelling the total to 4,000, or one member for each saloon in the State, as one of the local members stated. The meeting was enjoyed by all present.

Greensburg Union observed Flower Mission this year by holding two interesting meetings. The first was at the home of one of the members, Mrs. George Montgomery, in the country. Hacks were run and a large attendance and fine program. A brief outline of the history of Flower Mission was read, then followed a medal contest by three little girls and two boys. Fine music was interspersed. The medal was awarded to Florence Hazelrigg, the little Miss who won the musical medal at the mid-year meeting. Cake and ice cream were freely dispensed at the close. Meeting No. 2 was held the following Sabbath at the County Poor Asylum. Gospel services were held by Rev. Oliver Moody, of Taylor University. A sketch of the life of Jennie Casseday and her Flower Mission work was given, when the inmates, twenty-three in number, were invited to the dining room, where the Union had pre-

pared a treat of cake, candy, bananas and ice cream, with a beautiful bouquet for all, at the close. About 150 were in attendance. The Superintendent and wife were very cordial and told how the poor unfortunates looked forward with much pleasure to their Flower Mission day.

At Bluffton, on June 25, in the Wesleyan church, a very strong W. C. T. Union was systematically organized by our County President, Mrs. A. L. Walmer. This Union started with a membership of twenty-three—twenty active and three honoraries. The meeting was full of interest and there is no doubt in the very near future this Union, called the Frances Willard Union, will be in good working order and certainly much good will be accomplished in that vicinity. Our beloved County President gave a very inspiring talk. Nearly all present joined the ranks and those who did not were under conviction. Mrs. Dr. Goodin, ex-County President, who did so much good and lasting work for Wells county last year, was present. The President called the new officers to the altar and imparted to each one her duty. Mrs. Goodin then talked to the members and tried to impress upon them so strongly the very great importance of this great temperance work. At the close, Mrs. Charles Hawker sang a solo, after which the President called the members—in fact, everybody—to come forward and shake hands and express gladness of heart for this new Union. This we all did and the bond of comradeship was strengthened. We felt we could take up the battle for home and land with renewed strength. Mrs. Walmer dismissed with prayer. Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. Fouts, Mrs. Sawyer, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Moor and Miss Pearl Kindle, of Bluffton Union, were present.

Hartford City is having a feast of good things. Superintendent of Medal Contest Work has held four very successful contests, with the promise of two more; one a cradle roll contest, which will certainly be interesting, as it will be something out of the ordinary for this place. Mrs. Ritter is in her element when she is training children for the W. C. T. U. work. The Prohibitionists had an all day meeting June 10, with a speech from J. E. Cowgill and talks from local talent that were well worth hearing. Last night Mrs. Balch had a meeting with us at the church and in her quaint, characteristic way, gave us some things to think about. We were much pleased to have our dear sister with us and as we looked upon her we thought these veterans are going to be gathered to their reward by and by and the work must be carried on by some one else. God grant the mantle may fall upon courageous young hearts who will not stop short of complete victory. Mrs. Balch is full of hope and her talk was inspiring. She said, I am expecting a tremendous vote for prohibition next November. And now, next Monday afternoon (July 18), we are to have Hon. F. T. McWhirter, Chairman C. E. Newlin and the charming singer, M. E. Race, to hold a meeting. We shall be sadly disappointed if that does not prove to be a fine meeting. With so many good things on hand, the people are actually beginning to feel we mean what we have been saying—the saloon must go.

Fairmount Union Rally was held July 4; attendance large. The Summer band was greatly appreciated for its good music. Patriotism worthy the children of our forefathers was shown when the band played America and all joined in singing. Miss Ethel Harvey sang A Bow of Ribbon White, with fine effect. A duet by Reta and Frank Trader was enjoyed. A fine contest was held under the direction of Mrs. Ed Hollingsworth. Miss Shugart won first and Mr. Johnson second place. A basket dinner and an hour of delightful social intercourse was enjoyed. The afternoon program opened with band music, followed by a song by the Fairmount quartette, and prayer by the County president, Mrs. Gulie Shugart. The speaker of the afternoon was Hon. F. T. McWhirter. His address was an able one, being a clear presentation of facts, figures and principles, and he held the close attention of the listeners. A collection was taken, to which people responded liberally, and the refreshment stand was well patronized, so that with the generous donations we had already received the committee was able to meet all the expenses and had something left for the treasury. The prizes were awarded as follows: To the superintendent of the largest delegation: First, Will Whybrew, Wesleyan Back Creek; second, Ancil Ratliff, Little Ridge, and Erastus Hasty, Wesleyan Sunday School, who were a tie. To the superintendent who was neither absent nor tardy, C. E. Caffey, Gas City, a book, The Model Superintendent. To the teacher of the infant class singing the best song, Rachel Lewis, Baptist Sunday School, a book. The large crowd was beyond our most sanguine expectations.

IN MEMORIAM.

SISTER WILSON—Hartford City W. C. T. U. has sustained a loss in the death of our dear Sister Wilson. Sister Wilson was one of those pure characters we yet sometimes meet in this sin-cursed world; a lovely Christian woman, possessing that rare trait which some how or other, without our scarcely realizing the fact, wins the heart and we are made to feel in our inmost soul, there is a good woman. Quite and unassuming she was, but firm in the principles of right and truth. So long as her health permitted she was a faithful attendant at the local W. C. T. U. meetings, ever willing to bear her part in the duties of the same, and when she was no longer able to attend she still kept her dues paid. She always wore the little white ribbon bow, thereby evidencing to the world that her mother heart was aroused to the danger of the hour and that her protest was against the legalized saloon. She leaves a husband, two sons and two daughters. May these dear young people follow mother's God. We held the beautiful burial service according to the W. C. T. U. ritual, which was very impressive.

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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THE ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION

of the Indiana W. C. T. U. will be held in Columbus, October 21-25. The members of the Convention entitled to vote are the General Officers, Branch Secretaries, Editor MESSAGE, State Superintendents of Departments, Evangelists and Lecturers. From the Local Unions, the President, one delegate at large and one delegate for every twenty paid members. Every Union should send its full quota of delegates to this Harvest Home gathering of the Indiana W. C. T. U. Special invitations should be extended by the Local Unions to ministers, teachers and philanthropists to attend as visiting delegates. Favorable rates at the hotels and boarding houses in Columbus will be granted all visitors.

The chairmen of local committees for the Convention at Columbus are as follows: General Arrangements, Mrs. Mary Bush; Entertainment, Mrs. Irene B. Hawley; Hotels and Boarding, Mrs. Mary Bush; Music, Mrs. Mary Hacker; Reception, Mrs. Emily Keller; Decoration, Mrs. Adriette Schiller; Finance, Mrs. Angelica Jones; Courtesies, Mrs. Mary Donner; Check Room, Mrs. Mary King; Bureau of Information, Mrs. Mary Sims; R. R. Secretary, Mrs. Amanda Merianda; Sunday Service, Mrs. Alice D. Redman; Ushers and Pages, Mrs. Hattie Doeler; Press, Mrs. Calla Handley; Telephone and Telegraph, Miss Carrie Stout; Post Mistress, Mrs. Ella Linson; Cabs, Mrs. Delila Price.

A REQUEST.

Will County and Local Presidents and all White Ribboners who expect to attend the State Convention at Columbus, Indiana, please commit to memory the Crusade Psalm (146th Psalm), so that we can repeat it together in the devotional services? As our National President has said, Every member ought to be able to repeat from memory the Crusade Psalm and our Declaration of Principles. Of course we will sing our beloved State song; so let us refresh our memories and come prepared to give expression to the praise and joy which we feel in our hearts.

HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND,
Chairman Program Committee.

RAILROADS AND TOTAL ABSTINENCE.

There is one general rule regarding temperance on all railroads in the eastern states, which provides that no employee shall take a drink while on duty or come on duty under the effect of liquor.

This rule is in force on the Metropolitan street railway, the Manhattan railway, the Long Island railroad, the New York Central & Hudson River railroad, the New York, New Haven & Hartford and the Brooklyn Rapid Transit, the Smith Street and DeKalb Avenue line in Brooklyn.

There is a further rule that men who make a practice of taking intoxicating liquor, even when off duty, shall be subject to dismissal. This applies especially to all men who are engaged in the operation of trains.

There are 30,000 railroad workers in Greater New York.

Western railroads are insisting upon total abstinence among employees. If all of the large corporations are going to keep their employees out of saloons on or off duty, thousands of rum shops will have to close. The officials of the Rock Island road hope in this way to reduce the percentage of disasters and to secure a higher standard of efficiency. The use of whisky on the Northwestern is the cause for immediate discharge. The Northern Pacific is very strict, while the Milwaukee delights to have prohibitionists in its employ. The Wabash has recently fallen into line. Men who drink, even while not at work, are not wanted.

A recent Peru, Ind., dispatch says that the temperance rule is being rigidly enforced on the Wabash lines. Superintendent S. E. Cotter and Trainmaster S. Wells, at that point, have thrown a bomb into the ranks of the enginemen and trainmen on the eastern division of the system by discharging one of the most fearless and swiftest running engine men on the line for disobeying the rule of the company pertaining to the use of intoxicants. It is said that the one dismissed was a frequenter of saloons. Fifty or more other men have been summoned before the officials and there is much anxiety among the men, many of whom know that the officials are aware of their wrong doing.

The Wabash company has been striving for years to keep its employees away from the saloons, but the determination among the officials here never was so earnest as at present, and it is likely that quite a number of men will be discharged within the next few days.

The engineer with a bottle in his blouse and a turmoil in his brain is not trusted with the safety of a train. He is recognized as unfit for responsibility.

Public opinion backs up this decision. Men and women and children will not trust their lives to a drunken man at the throttle. It would be next to suicide.

Yet, how many a man, engineer of his own life, as each of us is, thinks that it matters nothing to him or his destiny that he drinks. Many a man deliberately puts a drunkard in charge of his own fortunes and never dreams of danger.

The life whose inspiration comes out of a bottle is never expected to be a success.

THE NICHOLSON LAW.

The liquor men are organizing to prevent the strengthening of the Nicholson Law by the next Legislature, or the passage of any temperance measures. Read W. H. Blodgett's article in this issue of the MESSAGE, and seek to arouse to action the good men of your community who think that if you will let liquor alone it will let you alone. Urge the Unions to hold Gospel Temperance meetings. Ask the ministers to preach temperance sermons. Seek to arouse the Christian people to do aggressive work for Temperance. How? By holding public meetings. By getting temperance literature and hiring boys at ten cents an hour to put a leaflet in every house within such a district—either small districts of ten homes or larger ones of a hundred homes. Suitable literature can be had at very small expense from our Miss Ruby T. Gilbert, at Chicago—full address given elsewhere—or of the National Temperance Society, No. 3 East 14th st., New York, N. Y. Be active! Do something definite for the cause; if nothing more, read Blodgett's article to your neighbors. Explain its meaning in a Christian service where there is opportunity. The liquor men are organizing to prevent all temperance legislation. Our Christian men must consider the danger and must help the temperance forces this year as never before. Talk with them, send them information and continue to wage a ceaseless warfare. It must be done. Our homes must be protected. Our boys must be saved.

Y. W. C. T. U.

On August 10, at 6 p. m., Miss Anna Carr, only daughter of Prof. and Mrs. J. W. Carr, of Anderson, was united in marriage to Prof. E. L. Holton, of Henryville, Ind. At 8 o'clock a large reception was given the bride and groom by the bride's parents; the beautiful home was aglow with summer flowers, and the most beautiful presents were received. Prof. Holton and bride go to their future home in Holton, Kansas, where he will have charge of the public schools as superintendent. The young men are taking our charming girls away, but we believe new Christian temperance homes are established which will help our cause.

Hold your elections, if at all possible, before Sept. 15, so when the fourth quarterly report blanks come in we will have the record for the coming year.

Select your delegates and send the names to your State Y. Secretary, so we can arrange for our Y. conference.

Be much in prayer for a blessing on us, and especially the Leader for the Y's

Please answer every question on the report blanks when you receive them, and be prompt in returning them, thus helping your Secretary.

CLARA M. SEARS,
State Secretary.

A WHITE RIBBON GIRL'S WORK.

Miss Maude Baker, of Indianapolis, whose work as physical culture teacher at Island Park Assembly at Rome City this past season was so highly successful, is the proud possessor of an entire series of medals won in W. C. T. U. contests, and is a graduate of Mary A. Blood's School of Oratory, with a diploma from the contest department of the State of Indiana to help her through this high class institution.

Having the experience of these contests and a year's work in the School of Oratory, Miss Baker came to Rome City as reader and as assistant in the physical culture work on the preceding season's program, and gave such good satisfaction in this capacity that she was called last season to take entire charge, and having graduated in the meantime, she was prepared to do so intelligently and energetically.

To assist her Miss Laura Kindig, of Huntington, Ind., was secured to preside at the piano, and with the inspiration of the music the two or three hours a day devoted to this department seemed all too short, and great enthusiasm was manifested in the work, which this year consisted mainly of drills and special exercises, according to the individual needs of the pupils. Several beautiful public drills were given.

Next year in all probability work with dumb bells and Indian clubs will be added to the work.

Miss Baker is calculated to be a very successful teacher, being of a charming personality with a great enthusiasm for her work and good common sense to temper any suggestion of faddism. She was deservedly one of the most popular workers among the W. C. T. U. corps of helpers, and will be gladly welcomed next year.

TEMPERANCE SECRETARIES OF MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of Pittsburgh and Allegheny Presbyteries—one of the largest in the Presbyterian Church—recently appointed a committee to consider the question, "Shall the Missionary Society Have a Temperance Secretary?" In its report the committee, among other things, says:

"After careful consideration of this matter we believe that temperance is not a side issue, but is pertinent to our work. Is it not a preparing of the way of the Lord? A removing of one of the greatest obstacles to the advancement of Christ's kingdom in our land and of that which tends to nullify all our efforts?"

"Our General Assembly's last report on Temperance says: 'Language more explicit, more emphatic or intense can hardly be conceived than the deliverances of our Assembly on this subject. They declare the sale and use of alcoholic stimulants to be contrary to the word of God and inconsistent with the claims of Christian duty, and denounce the liquor traffic as an inexcusable curse to our age and country.' Our General Assembly has had a permanent committee on temperance for years and in the midst of the press of its important business takes time to listen to quite a lengthy report from that committee. Our Presbyteries also have committees on temperance, and we have the Presbyterian Woman's Temperance Association. In view of all these facts showing the attitude of our beloved Church as a whole on this subject, we believe the interest of all our societies should be exerted in favor of total abstinence, the abolition of the liquor traffic and the banishment of social drinking habits and of the use of alcoholic stimulants in the home."

"This Home Missionary Society has 105 auxiliaries and last year contributed more than \$17,000 to the cause."

"We understand that about thirty-seven of these Auxiliaries already have Temperance Secretaries, and it is recommended that their action in this matter be approved and that the Presbyterian Society comply with the request of the Synodical Temperance Association and elect a Temperance Secretary to whom these local Secretaries may report; who shall take charge of all petitions and remonstrances along these lines which may come before them from time to time (for example, respecting the sale of intoxicants to natives of Africa and the islands of the seas) who shall have a seat in their councils and whose advice may be most helpful, especially with reference to the work among the city foreigners.—National Advocate."

The thirty-first annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana will meet in the Christian Tabernacle in Columbus, Ind., Oct. 21-25, 1904. The State Executive Committee will meet in the parlors of the Church at 7 o'clock Thursday evening, October 20.

Culla J. Vayhinger,
President Indiana W. C. T. U.

Are you taking subscriptions for the Union Signal? Only \$1.00 per year. Every White Ribboner should subscribe for it and read it. Address, with check or money order, Union Signal, Rest Cottage, Evanston, Illinois.

There is a half reproving tone in the newspaper, literary and lecture field world toward American women. They say of us that we are nervous little bodies and live in an extreme nervous strain. There is more than half an admiring note in all this criticism, too, that we accomplish so much. Lately, in the earnest, sweet-voiced prayers that I have heard in the humble country churches, as well as in those more pretentious, in the hundreds of prayers that my opportunities have joined, I catch one key-note sentence that seems an answer to the wonder as to how we bear and do so much. In varying forms the petition runs, but the burden is the same: "Lord, give us strength to do our work;" "Father, we thank Thee for strength to resist the world and its temptations;" "Father, give us strength to sustain us in our times of need." If only heavy laden, sin sick souls would turn aside with us and rest upon the source of all strength, if only the great hurrying, pleasure-seeking world would join our petitions in our quiet time, they would say, as we do who know our women of the W. C. T. U. the best, "There never were such women, never such prayer, never such wonderful answer to prayer, never such dear human sympathy, never such a glorious hope."

ALICE R. PALMER.

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CONVENTIONS.

The State W. C. T. U. Convention will meet in Columbus, October 21-25, 1904.

The National W. C. T. U. Convention will meet in Philadelphia, November 29 to December 4, inclusive.

A net gain of 768 members in September in Indiana Unions is necessary to reach the 1,000 advance we so much desire.

The membership for the first three quarters of the year 1902 and 1903 and that of 1903 and 1904 compare as follows:

Membership dues received by State Treasurer as follows:

December, 1902, 663; March, 1903, 1,139; June, 1903, 914.

December, 1903, 935; March, 1904, 1,083; June, 1904, 891.

Counting dues received too late to be counted in June, gives a total gain to date of 232. An unusual number came in early in April, bringing up the total gain at mid-year executive meeting to 297. The loss in June has been a sad disappointment. It arises from the failure to collect dues of old members. The gain in new Unions and membership has been most gratifying. A net gain of 768 in September is required to meet the 1,000 advance we so much covet.

Active, energetic treasurers in the local Unions is the imperative need of our cause. If the dues were faithfully and carefully collected, our membership would be sufficient to demand the respect and fear of the liquor men. If you are an interested White Ribboner, and for any reason your treasurer is prevented from energetically collecting dues, please offer your assistance and collect dues from as many members as possible. If each Union makes a total gain of five members this quarter over the same quarter last year, we will gain the victory—1,000 more members than paid dues last year. Local Presidents, please do help. Urge the collection of dues every day until September 15, when all local treasurers must send in their reports.

EVANGELISTIC SUPERINTENDENTS.

As very few of you have sent me any reports this year, I trust you have been keeping a careful record, and will send a good, full report of the year's work in September. I have answered all letters, so far as I know, that have been written to me asking for help, and I have endeavored to keep in touch with you through the MESSAGE. Fearing some would fail to receive my Report Blanks, I had the questions printed in full in the April MESSAGE, which I hope you have

kept for reference. Please answer the questions in the order named, that I may more easily make out my report. I hope none have grown weary in the work, but have kept steadily at it, remembering that in due season we shall reap if we faint not. If you have not received my question blanks and have not preserved the MESSAGE publishing my questions, send to me and I will gladly furnish them. Please report by the 25th of September at the farthest. God bless each one of you and help you to grow in grace and in His knowledge from day to day is my earnest prayer.

Richmond, Ind.

JAIL AND PRISON.

I take this plan through the MESSAGE of informing you that my address is changed from 333 N. Pine st., Indianapolis, to 304 Chestnut st., Richmond. I will send blanks to all the names in my possession, and will you please be prompt and send me your reports? If there are any Unions that have no superintendent of this work and have done any work that will come under this department, will the president or some member please report to me, as the year is drawing to a close and the time so short until we must give our report for the year. I wonder if we can truly say we have done the best we could; if so, then the Lord will bless our efforts. I feel that this is the most important work of the W. C. T. U., because it is through the liquor traffic that many are behind the prison bars. So let us go in and tell them of Jesus and His love, and show them that there is a better way of living.

MRS. ELLEN DAVIS.

ANTI-NARCOTIC.

DEAR SISTERS—I will send report blanks to each County Superintendent the first of August, so there will be ample time in which to send them to your Local Superintendents. I will also send each County Superintendent one of the charts prepared by Mrs. Ingalls, National Superintendent of Narcotics. With the help of this chart any woman can furnish an interesting lecture or chalk talk. I hope a meeting of this kind will be held in every county and reported before the end of the year. If any local superintendent does not receive report blanks, I will gladly send directly to her. In the Saturday evening News, July 16, an article appears, written by Mrs. Julia Work, Superintendent of the Training School of Plymouth, Ind. Boys' Lives Wrecked by the Use of the Cigarette is the heading. The article indorses Juvenile Court Judge Stubbs' opinion that cigarettes are responsible for most of the cases brought before him. She says 75% of the boys committed to her charge are cigarette smokers, and tells of their deplorable condition when coming to her school. In conclusion, she says: What a travesty on civilization, that parents with means and good home surroundings are obliged to confine their children in an institution to save their lives and reason. And yet what an easy matter it would be to change this condition and make a boy's home a safe place for him if every child-saving agency in the land, every woman's club and every individual father and mother, to-day eating their hearts out over their boy's fall, would band together and demand legislation that would wipe out this monster evil that is trading in the bodies and souls of the best and most promising lads in the world. I wish every Narcotic Superintendent in Indiana would send for this edition of the News and read this article. I think it would make us work harder.

E. G. SMITH,
1919 Highland Place, Indianapolis. Anti-Narcotic Sup't.

PRESS.

In this, my last letter to you this year, I would speak to each of you as though I sat near you and talked to you alone. We are nearing the close of the year in our work, and are you preparing a full report of all the work which you have done and have not already reported? I trust you are. Remember that I am depending on your report to make my report complete for the amount of work done in the State. So please may I have that report not later than September 25? If you have not report blanks I will furnish them if you will send me a card. Are you making a scrapbook to be taken to the State Convention? I am hoping to see many well filled scrap books. Trusting in you for prompt responses to my appeals,

Faithfully yours,

LAURA CAMMAK.

Converse, Ind.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP.

I want to thank the Presidents and Superintendents of our department who have so kindly and promptly replied to my letter sent out with the blanks. Some of you say you have no Superintendents. I'm sure that need not hinder sending a good report, for our department is so much a part of it all. You can hardly hold a Mothers' Meeting, or one in the interest of the L. T. L., or the Evangelistic or Jail and Prison Departments, and many others, without a part or all of it being for Christian Citizenship. It is a blessed work, but a hard one. Pray earnestly, that our people may soon see they make it hard for many to do right by licensing saloons, and when they see that they may have the courage to cease granting any one the privilege of ruining our citizens, body and soul. I hope for full reports and a reply for ever letter sent.

LAURA M. THOMSON.

Greensburg, Ind.

SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE.

Below you will note the questions for report. The blanks will soon be sent you. Please gather up all the good things you have done and send in to swell the amount and gladden our hearts.

- Name of Local Union.....Name of County.....
Name of Local Superintendent.....Address.....
Name of County Superintendent.....Address.....
1. No. subscribers to *Physiology Journal*.....
2. No. schools in which authorized series of Physiologies are used.....
3. No. institutes in which this subject has been taught.....
4. No. lectures on scientific temperance.....
5. No. and name of books placed in public school libraries or given to teachers.....
6. No. essays on temperance given by public school pupils.....
7. No. meetings in which this subject has been a feature.....
8. No. of local or county prizes offered.....
9. No. articles on this subject sent to the press.....
10. Give name and amount of literature on scientific temperance distributed.....
11. How many copies of Reply have you distributed.....
12. Is the Scientific Temperance Instruction law enforced in your locality.....
13. Report any new or original plans you may have tried during the year.....

NOTE.—Please add items of interest not included in the above questions.....

MATTIE CAMMAK-GIBSON,
Superintendent.

RAILROAD RATES TO COLUMBUS.

A fare of one and one-third for the round trip will be granted to all delegates and visitors going to Columbus to attend the State W. C. T. U. Convention.

This fare is granted upon the certificate plan—in purchasing tickets ask for a certificate. Purchase ticket to Columbus at regular fare and get certificate from ticket agent, which certificate, when signed at the Convention, will entitle the holder to purchase a return ticket at one-third the regular fare. All delegates and visitors going to Columbus are requested to travel via the railroads where expense is about the same as via the interurban lines.

In order to secure reduced railroad rates we must guarantee at least one hundred certificates to be signed at the convention by the special railroad agent. Last year, at Hartford City, we thought for several hours that we would lack three certificates of having the required number, but we were not disappointed. The railroad special agent sent to the convention would not sign one certificate until the full one hundred were in his possession. To some of us the full fare returning would not have been much, but to those of our sisters living at the extreme portions of the State it would have meant several dollars extra. This was all occasioned by the use of the interurban lines. Some of our loyal hearted women explained that while it was but a few cents difference in the round trip to them, they came on the interurban because it was a little more convenient.

This year, dear sisters, if practical, patronize the railroad, so that those of our splendid membership who live on the border lines of other States and never have a State Convention near them may not have to pay full fare. Even at one and one-third fare it costs them many dollars to attend our State Conventions.

All delegates will be entitled to free entertainment for supper, lodging and breakfast; provided that their names and addresses have been received by the chairman of Entertainment as much as two weeks previous to the opening of the Convention. For visitors, reduced rates for boarding have been secured. For information, write to chairman of Hotels and Boarding.

Young men and young women will be interested in the W. C. T. U. according to their knowledge of it. Many such would gladly be visitors at the State W. C. T. U. Convention at Columbus if invited by their mothers. The entire expense of the trip would not be great. Reduced boarding rates will be secured for our visitors attending the Convention. Bring the young people with you. Friday, Saturday and Sunday will be of special interest to them.

The election of officers in the local Union should be held early in September. The delegates to the State Convention should be elected immediately thereafter. A list of the delegates to the Convention, including the full name and address of the President, should be written very plainly and sent immediately to the Chairman of Entertainment at Columbus.

Those who desire to be located near the Convention church should have the list of delegates from their Union sent in early. To send the list of names carefully written means much. Few people who do not make it a business of reading proper names written by careless scribes have any idea how difficult is the task. To make plain letters in each name is absolutely necessary, and to use the prefix Miss or Mrs. saves annoyance in some instances, and is little trouble to the writer.

Temperance newspapers should be in every Christian home.

WHERE DID MR. BOK GET HIS INFORMATION ABOUT PATENT MEDICINES?

In view of the fact that Edward Bok, editor of the *Ladies' Home Journal*, took occasion to point out to W. C. T. U. women their duty in the matter of patent medicines, it is certainly exceedingly interesting to learn that without the aid of our organization he could not have written his article against the use of patent medicines. Just read this, from a private letter written me in response to inquiries upon this subject to our National Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication, Mrs. M. M. Allen:

"Yes, you may say that Mr. Bok wrote to national headquarters for all literature on patent medicines. The letter was referred to me. I sent him every leaflet which touches the question and a copy of the book, *Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine*, gratis. I also sent him a statement of our work on this line, which he refused to publish. Since his last article he wrote me a copy of the law introduced in the New York State Legislature last March, of which I spoke in the *Union Signal* of April 4. Some one had sent him the paper. I am very glad he is working against this evil, even if he does not know how to treat us fairly."

Patent medicines are certainly getting an airing as a result of all this. Push this department, dear sisters, for now is the very time while the press and public mind are full of the subject.—*White Ribbon Ex.*

[The following article appears in the Indianapolis *News* of August 19 over the signature of W. H. Blodgett:]

SALOON MEN ENTER LEGISLATIVE FIGHT.

Forming to Support Pledged Candidates and Work for Others' Defeat—Attack on Nicholson Law—Effort will be Made to Enlist All of the 5,100 Licensed Retail Dealers in Indiana.

KOKOMO, Ind., August 19.—The meeting of saloon keepers here yesterday afternoon was composed of men in the retail liquor business from all parts of the Ninth congressional district and the purpose was to organize the District Liquor Dealers' Protective League of Indiana. Back of that organization is the purpose to make an effort to repeal the Nicholson law and prevent the passage of laws which, the saloon men say, are inimical to their business. The old Indiana Liquor League has given way to these district leagues, and under the jurisdiction of the district leagues, county leagues are to be formed. With this meeting, the Ninth district was fully organized; the Thirteenth and Eleventh were completed some time ago, and it is announced that organizations are about finished in the Sixth and Tenth districts.

These liquor dealers' protective leagues have a constitution and by-laws, and every meeting is held in secret. No one is admitted to these meetings who does not have a certain kind of badge engraved with his name, and this badge must agree in name and number with a register kept at headquarters in Indianapolis. While there are no signs, grips nor passwords, there is a word by which the members of the leagues know each other.

The preamble of the constitution and bylaws sets out that the object of the league is to preserve the vocation of its members honorably and legally, without fear of their foes, and without favor from the officers of the law; to protect its members from unjust laws, and to repeal all laws harmful to the retail liquor business. Every member of the league is compelled to subscribe to the following pledge:

We pledge our honor mutually to each other to lay aside individual and political preferences and to lend our aid and influence and votes to defeat any and all candidates for office of public trust who are known enemies to the licensed liquor traffic.

There are in Indiana about 5,100 licensed retail liquor dealers, and an effort will be made to get all of them into the liquor leagues. There about 10,000 bar tenders and 12,000 agents, brewery workers, salesmen and others who make their living, directly or indirectly, from the retail liquor traffic, and it is the intention to get all of these in the district leagues, if possible. At the present time the membership in the district leagues is about 1,400. No brewer can join. On the recommendation of five members of a district league, and a majority vote of all the district league members, a brewer may be elected an honorary member of a district league, but he cannot have a voice in the deliberations of the league.

The declaration is made by members of the leagues that two years ago the brewers' organization attempted to buy votes enough in the Legislature to repeal the Nicholson law, but the scheme failed. The Liquor Dealers' Protective League is going to accomplish the same end in another way. The League proposes to elect men to the Legislature that will do its bidding and to fight candidates for the Legislature who will vote to sustain the Nicholson law. As soon as a man is nominated for the Legislature by either party, a history of him is sent to each member of the league, giving his characteristics and explaining how he stands on the Nicholson law. If he is a candidate favorable to the liquor interest he will be supported. If favorable to the Nicholson law, each member of the league every few days gets a card reading:

You are pledged to vote for no known enemy of the trade for Legislature or State honors. Don't forget that pledge.

This is for the purpose of reminding him of the moral obligations he took when he became a member of the league. The Liquor Dealers' Protective League will have a large amount of money at its disposal, and it expects to accomplish a good deal at the polls, and later in the halls of the General Assembly.

MISS JENNIE SMITH, NATIONAL RAILROAD EVANGELIST.

It was recently my privilege to attend a noon service at the Big Four shops with Miss Jennie Smith, our National Railroad Evangelist. We were accompanied by a quartette of good singers, and it was a blessed service. When the whistle blew, the singers, who carried with them a portable organ, began to sing. In a few moments the men began to gather, and from the large crowd it seemed that every man in the shops must have been present. After a short scripture lesson and prayer, Miss Jennie began talking from an improvised platform under a tree, and as seems ever the case with this consecrated woman, the spirit of the Lord was upon her. Never have we seen a more quiet or interested audience than that crowd of toil-stained men, many of whom are earnest Christians. As is her custom, at the close she gave each man a text card. On one side of the card is her name, and she holds in remembrance in her prayers all to whom she gives them. Up to this time she has given out over two million text cards, and wonderful is the work of grace wrought by them. A short time ago she handed a trainman a card, and when he saw the name he took a card from his pocketbook, unwrapped it and told her that she had given it to him twenty years before. It had been his comfort and help all these years. For sixteen years Miss Jennie was a helpless invalid, unable either to sit or stand up, but she was marvelously restored. She lived for years in the town in Ohio in which I was reared, and as a little child I often visited her, for she always won the hearts of the children. One of my earliest recollections is of a card which she gave me on which were the words, Trust in the Lord and do good. If possible, Miss Jennie will attend our State Convention at Columbus, and we know her presence will be a blessing to our lives. H. W. B.

FROM MISS PALMER, STATE TREASURER.

Up to date the total gain of members over last year is 232½. We have ten Unions organized that, as yet, have paid no dues. The remaining sixteen Unions have paid for 140½ members, and six others have had a net gain of 70, leaving only 12 to be distributed throughout all the remainder of the State. The fact is, that while the work is thriving finely in our State at large, some of our good women who paid last year have been careless, and have not come up to their obligation. Many of our Unions are adding new names almost every quarter, but are neglecting to collect from the old ones. Let every loyal woman in our ranks find out, if she does not know, whether she has paid one dollar within twelve months, and if not, please pay at once.

One Union, Franklin, has a good plan. The roll of delinquent members was read, and the members present volunteered for each of them to see one or more of her friends before next meeting and bring her and her dues if possible. This would lessen the work of the treasurer, and usually brings a prompt response. As there were more members present than delinquents, some members will try to get new ones.

NEW LEAFLETS.

NATIONAL LEAFLETS.—No. 150—A Biographical Sketch of Miss Frances E. Willard, by Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens. No. 151—The Flower of Temperance Chivalry, Frances E. Willard, by Mrs. S. M. D. Fry. No. 152—Outline of Study for the Department of Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Adrianna Hungerford. No. 153—The Nation's Curse, David Paulson, M. D. Price per 50, 50 cents; per 100 75 cents.

DEPARTMENT LEAFLETS.—No. 183—The L. T. L. Branch—Plans and Methods of Work, Emma A. Wisner. No. 184—Consistency, Mrs. Mary F. Lovell. No. 185—The Loyal Temperance League Around the World, Elizabeth P. Gordon. No. 233—Intemperance in Disguise, David Paulson, M. D. No. 243—How to become a Specialist, Mrs. Margaret B. Platt. No. 244—A Mother's Opportunity, Rev. Mary L. Moreland. Price per 50, 15 cents; per 100, 25 cents.

Headquarters for Temperance Literature, 915 The Silvermiths Building, 131-137 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Miss Ruby I. Gilbert, Manager.

READ AND ACT.

Dear co-workers for the home, mothers and the babies, this is my last appeal to you through the MESSAGE for this year. I am sorry to say that up to date I have not received as many reports as I had at this time last year. During December, January and February I sent out blanks to 67 county superintendents for their counties, amounting to 845 blanks. Dear hearts, I feel anxious about those blanks, and wonder, Are they lost? I still hope that they are wandering around over the State, and will eventually find their way back to the State Superintendent in time

for her report for the annual report. Remember, I am to give a reward to the Superintendent,—not the county; that would not be right, for some counties have but one, two or three Unions; but to the Superintendent who holds the most Mother's Meetings, and another to the Superintendent of the W. R. C. R. who secures the most members for the W. R. C. R., membership based the same as the W. C. T. U. on the amount of money sent in. My report to the National is made by dues sent to me, not names or numbers. Dear sisters, will you be prompt, plain and accurate, so I will be able to understand to whom the reward will belong? MRS. S. M. STAHL.

REPORT ON THE \$1,000 FUND.

Received at last report.....	\$203.35
Mrs. S. J. Youse, Monroeville.....	1.00
" Mary Clayton ".....	1.00
Wakarusa W. C. T. U.....	4.25
Huntington W. C. T. U.....	10.00
Mrs. M. S. Hobbs, Velpen.....	1.00
Moore's Hill W. C. T. U.....	5.00
Elkhart Central W. C. T. U.....	5.00
Lebanon W. C. T. U.....	4.25
Mrs. Belle Sharp, Dana,.....	1.00
" Nancy Reed, ".....	1.00
" Laura Jackson, ".....	1.00
" Hugh Southard, ".....	1.00
" Cora Thompson, ".....	1.00
" Henry Aye, ".....	1.00
Total.....	\$240.85

MATTIE E. H. CHANDLER,
Mooresville, Ind. Treas. Hadley Industrial School.

THE LAST TRUMPET FOR 1904.

Every county leader can and ought to get the report from all Legions in her county and forward to me by the 20th of September. Where the county is unorganized, let every Local Leader report direct to me. Collect dues without fail and forward 10 cents per member to State W. C. T. U. Treasurer, Miss Alice R. Palmer, marked plainly L. T. L. dues. Remember, Legions paying dues for all pledged members are enrolled for it on Honor Roll; look for it at State W. C. T. U. Convention. Be it little or much that you have done, report it on the blank in a way to count and help to make the work easy all along the line up to the National. Every failure to follow this plan makes the work harder for some one else, and does injustice to yourselves, to your county and to the State. Surely nobody wants to shoulder such a responsibility as that, so don't forget to report fully and on time. Do not forget that the Legion paying \$10 dues can have a delegate to the W. C. T. U. State Convention. I received a list of names taking the *Crusader Monthly* up to August 1, and only 108 come into our State when we ought not to take less than 500. Let us do our very best for Indiana L. T. L. IDA M. MIX.

BRIEF NOTES.

Mrs. Cammack-Gibson is preaching at the South Side Friends Church, Marion, quite frequently.

Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, our able President, who has entered so many open doors this year, presented the temperance cause at a Sabbath school picnic near Seymour, August 13.

Sedalia Union had Mrs. Elizabeth T. Stanley to lecture for them Saturday evening, July 16. The church was tastefully decorated with flowers and also a large attendance. A collection was taken that amounted to \$4.90.

Mrs. Ellen Davis, State Superintendent of Jail and Prison Department, has recently returned from California. At Los Angeles she attended the M. E. General Conference and one W. C. T. U. Union with 700 paid members. Thus our workers in that country are pushing ahead and helping to bring the victory.

Have you sent a copy of our annual program to Mrs. Brand? If not, please do so at once, so that they may be ready to place in the hands of the committee which will award the premium at the State Convention.

The Central Committee has ordered advance sheets of the State Superintendent's reports for State Convention. This means that the complete report must be in the hands of the Secretary early—that is ten days or more before State Convention. Let Local and County Superintendents take note, and begin to bind up the sheaves of their labor in good time.

During the past week Mrs. Brand visited four of the new Unions in the southern part of the State. She found them all in good condition, and assisted them in outlining their work for the coming year. Unions have been organized in several counties which were entirely unorganized, and general conditions seem more hopeful in southern counties than ever before.

Franklin has held her annual meeting and elected the following: President, Mrs. Emma Pangburn; Secretary, Mrs. R. L. Crawford; Treasurer, Mrs. A. L. Beam. Departments—Evangelistic and Charities, Mrs. Wm. Fisher; Associate, Mrs. James Robinson; Literature and Press, Mrs. Ollie Byers; Non-Alcoholic Medication, Dr. H. J. Hall; Scientific Temperance, Mrs. Anna Alexander; Contests, Mrs. Beam; Parliamentary Usage, Mrs. Mary Hall; Franchise, Miss Palmer.

Marion Central Union has just sent in an order for 12 copies of the *Union Signal* for the minister residing in the heart of the city. The Unions on the border will likely do the same thing.

Aurora Union.—The following officers have been elected for the coming year, and the Union is beginning the new year with larger plans and better prospects for systematic work. President, Mrs. Virginia Faulkner; Treasurer, Mrs. J. J. Martin; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Dove; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Winkle. Special attention will be given to Sabbath School work, Non-Alcoholic Medication, Scientific Temperance Instruction and Press work.

President of Allen County writes: Mrs. Stanley has just finished a very successful week's work in my county, having given ten lectures, two being premium lectures. I am hoping to earn two more before the State Convention. I went with her to each point. We had fine audiences and good collections, and everybody is delighted with her lectures. We are going to have a temperance rally the first day of September, and she will be with us again. Fort Wayne will have her for a week's work in the autumn.

Nineveh Union, Johnson County, recently organized by Mrs. Hall and Miss Palmer, has elected the following officers: President, Mrs. Pearl Woodruff; Vice-president, Mrs. A. J. Forsythe; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Anna Muse; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Rev. Harvey; Treasurer, Miss Lura Forsythe. Superintendents—Literature and Press, Mrs. Will Wheatley; Franchise, Mrs. Muse; Gospel Temperance, Mrs. Cross; Non-Alcoholic Medication, Mrs. Forsythe; Contests, Mrs. Harvey; Parliamentary Usage, Mrs. Woodruff.

Mrs. Maria L. Hunter, Superintendent of Contests, held a silver medal contest at the Presbyterian Church, last month, with a class of eight ladies, each acquitting herself with credit. All honor to the young ladies who generously fall in line to assist in elevating humanity. The only deplorable condition in connection with the contests here is the lack of support by our young men and boys. Seldom, if ever, can they be induced to participate in a contest or any thing of a public nature that has for its object the moral uplift of the community. O! Is there not some way to reach and save the boys for God, for home and Native Land?

Burlington Union held a silver medal contest at the Union Baptist Church on the night of August 5. Crowd large for a country church; nearly \$7 taken in at the door. Mr. Lowell Morris won the medal. Dr. Johnson made a spicy little speech in favor of the W. C. T. U. work, then pinned medal on the winner. There was much interest manifested by the audience, with invitation to come again, after being dismissed. Miss Alice Hanson, president, and Mrs. Edith Johnson, secretary, conducted the contest. Our Union will hold another silver medal contest on the night of August 13, at Deer Creek U. B. Church. So the good work is going on; no room for discouragement.

Mrs. Josephine Walmer, President Wells County Union, recited two touching and beautiful poems for the Epworth League at the First M. E. Church, Bluffton, July 31. In the first she portrayed the dedication of a mother's new-born son to God and purity. In the second, the mother's appeal to the saloon-keeper, and the saloon-keeper's reply, that not he alone, but all church members as well, were responsible for his being in the business of ruining boys. One young man, with tears streaming down his cheeks, said: With God's help I'll stand up for Prohibition. Whisky ruined my home. I had a drunken father. I'll never give another vote nor one cent of my money for the business! And so the good work goes on. God is leading; let us all follow.

Mrs. J. S. Crewson writes: Bluffton Union is doing effective work in combatting the evil influences that surround our young people to destroy their influence for good and to lead them away from the church, the home and lives of usefulness. Mrs. D. A. Walmer, our earnest and efficient County President, gave us an interesting and very instructive lecture in the M. E. Church on Sunday evening last, and was greeted by a large and very enthusiastic audience, which gave interest to her appeals for a better life, and generously responded with a large collection for the Hadley Home, a cause of much importance and one near her mother heart. Her message was an uplift for us all, and two new members were added to the local Union.

LaPorte Assembly meeting was held at Pine Lake, August 4th. It was the largest and most interesting meeting the Union has held at this place. Peru, Westville, Michigan City, Waterford and La Porte Unions were represented. The program was good. Rev. J. M. Linden gave a pathetic address; Mrs. Mary Baumgardner read a paper entitled Women in Government; Mrs. R. G. Young recited A Vision of Darkness and Light; Miss Katherine Anderson gave a recitation entitled, A Child's Tear; Miss Marion Young recited a Knot of White Ribbon; also, gave a pantomime of Jesus, Lover of my Soul; Mrs. Clara Van Petten had charge of the singing. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year. President, Mrs. Rosetta Dorland; First Vice-President, Mrs. Seth. Goldring; Second Vice-President, Mrs. F. C. Vorhees; Secretary, Mrs. Mary Hall; Treasurer, Mrs. Seth. Pease.

Trafalgar, Johnson County, is doing good work under the leadership of Mrs. Minglin, the President. Miss Palmer visited them lately, receiving three new active members and the promise of six more.

Broad Ripple Union held its annual June meeting at the beautiful country home of Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, and had a grand all day service. There were several outsiders present and many visitors from other Unions, including Mrs. Garrity (who was the president of our Union when it was first organized), Mrs. Whitson, Mrs. Leck, Mrs. Morrow, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Guyer and others. The good big dinner was enjoyed by all who partook of it. Our Union met at the Door of Hope with the Central Union and distributed flowers, June 9, 1904. Our Christian Citizenship rally at the Broad Ripple Park, July 4, 1904, was pretty well attended. The contest of little girls and one boy was splendid; they all did very fine. Although there was pretty much noise, they were heard very well. Miss Geneva Bates got the silver medal, of which she is very proud. Our Union gave a silver contest at the Christian Church in June, which was considered by all a grand success. Miss Mable Ferguson was the proud winner of the medal. Our July meeting was held at the home of Sister Medsker, where it was decided to hold the August meeting at the park with our President. A delightful time is anticipated. Bro. Orcutt, of the Christian Church, gave a Christian Citizenship sermon, Sunday, July 10, 1904, which was well attended.

Marion County News Items.—Dr. Ellen Rogers, superintendent of the Department of Mothers' Meetings, in Central Union, in Indianapolis, entertained her Union June 17. Mrs. Rogers read a paper called Little Things, which her experience as a physician made unusually interesting and instructive. Two hours were spent in discussing the little things she mentioned. Miss Martha Criley, a devoted kindergarten teacher, gave her experience in dealing with unruly boys, and furnished the musical program. Mrs. Ellen Parsons conducted the devotional exercises. One new member was gained for Central Union.

The most important event in Marion County during July was the lecture given by Mr. Quincy Lee Morrow, at Broad Ripple Park, July 4. This meeting was planned by Mrs. C. Metzler, Superintendent of Christian Citizenship in Broad Ripple Union, and was given under the auspices of Marion County W. C. T. U. Mr. Morrow drew a good crowd of White Ribboners, and more important still, a large crowd of strangers to the speakers' stand. The Park was very noisy, but his voice was plainly heard, and he held the attention of his audience until the close. This new lecture given by Mr. Morrow covers the ground, and no more convincing argument in favor of Prohibition could be given. Mr. Race furnished the musical program. Rev. Criley conducted the devotional exercises.

At the close of the lecture—the 20th Century—given by Mr. Quincy Lee Morrow, at Broad Ripple Park, a Silver Medal Oratorical Contest was given by a class of six, all well prepared. The silver medal was presented Miss Geneva Bates by Mrs. Ada B. Leck, County President. Two little girls recited while the judges were out.

Meridian Union, in Indianapolis, held the regular July meeting at Acton Park, where Mrs. Emma Criley has the W. C. T. U. cottage for the summer.

Mrs. Amanda Whitson, President of Mapleton Union, in Indianapolis, has made arrangements to hold a picnic for the young people's societies, August 1st. Mr. Dietz's beautiful suburban residence, near Fairview Park, has been secured. The County Superintendents of Y., L. T. L. and Anti-Narcotic Departments will give talks upon their departments, and the children will furnish drills, marches and songs.

Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand has returned from Lexington, Ky., where she had charge of the W. C. T. U. School of Methods at the eighteenth annual session of the Kentucky Chautauqua. She gave a lecture each day for ten days. Mrs. Brand was delighted with the arrangements made for her comfort, and is enthusiastic over the progress of the temperance movement in Kentucky.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Vice-President of Indiana W. C. T. U., gave the prize lecture to which Frances Willard Union in Indianapolis was entitled, Monday, July 25, in Hall Place Methodist Church. Mrs. Stanley spoke in her usual enthusiastic manner, and her lecture was much enjoyed.

Mrs. Florence Smith, of Indianapolis, invited the members of Frances Willard Union to her home, where an all day prayer meeting was held.

The annual convention of Marion County W. C. T. U. will be held in the South Side Baptist Church, Indianapolis, September 20-21. The election of officers will take place at 2 p. m. September 20. The Superintendents will be chosen at 1:30 p. m. Wednesday. Local Unions will elect officers and department superintendents early in September.

Marion County Union was given an hour on the program at the reunion of the old settlers of Marion County held in Broad Ripple Park Saturday, August 7th. A gold medal contest was held. Miss Moates, of Indianapolis, won the medal. Mrs. Ada B. Leck had charge of the class, which consisted of four girls and two boys. Miss Leck was much gratified at receiving an invitation for next year's meeting, as these picnics are very extensively advertised and from 7,000 to 8,000 people always attend.

W. C. T. U. Day at Acton Chautauqua was a success. Mrs. Frances Metz presided. Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Mr. Felix McWhirter, Prohibition candidate for Governor of Indiana and Miss Culla Vayhinger furnished the program. Rev. Anna Cox, of West Indianapolis, and Mrs. Martha Gipe conducted the devotional exercises.

Mrs. Charlton Edholm, Purity evangelist of Oakland, California, W. C. T. U., lectured under the auspices of Marion County W. C. T. U. at the home of Mrs. Mary Moody, August 4. The greater number of the fifty guests present were not members of the W. C. T. U., but they were full of sympathy and interest. Mrs. Edholm will remain in Indianapolis some time. Her lecture is sure to benefit all who hear it.

When Mapleton Union distributed flowers to the Irvington orphan children on Flower Mission Day the ladies became so much interested in the children that they invited them to be their guests at their annual picnic. The picnic was held August 5th, on Mr. Dietz's lawn, 38th and Charles streets. A short program was given of a nature to interest and instruct the children, Mrs. Metz presenting the work of the L. T. L., and Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Moody the work of the Anti-Cigarette League. The Home children were given the liberty of the large grounds and the pear orchard adjoining, where they played and romped till supper time. About a hundred people gathered around the supper, spread on the grass, and invocation was pronounced by Rev. Frank O. Beck, after which all were abundantly served with the good things to eat prepared by the women. Ice cream was donated for the children by Jessup & Antrim, and a special car was furnished for their transportation by the Street Railway Company. We gave a lawn social on Mrs. Amanda Whitson's lawn on the evening of July 26th, at which ice cream and cake were served and candy was sold. The Indianapolis News Boys' Band furnished music. About \$27.00 was realized, a part of which went to Hadley Home. A silver medal contest was given July 15th in North Park Christian Church under the direction of Mrs. Handy. The medal was won by Raymond Graham.

The Island Park Assembly, at Rome City, closed its season August 12, the fifth year of the W. C. T. U. work on the regular program. The seed was sown by our dear Mrs. Mary E. Balch, now of Kentucky, and under her care and nurture has grown until, at the present time, sentiment is rapidly growing favorable to temperance and prohibition. There is a literature booth on the grounds, located in a prominent place, where thousands of pages of literature are yearly distributed, and in one of the large cottages, each year, a party of workers gather and carry on the work of the program. Meetings are held every day, and a Loyal Temperance Legion is maintained. Who can measure the harvest of this yearly seed-sowing? This year there were, besides the regular work, three days upon which temperance and prohibition had a public hearing. On political day Hon. Felix T. McWhirter, of Indianapolis, candidate for Governor, I. E. Shaw, of Iowa, M. E. Race and C. E. Newlin, chairman of the Prohibition party, occupied the greater part of the day. On August 4 the W. C. T. U. gave a miscellaneous program at the Auditorium, at which time they presented the work of some of the departments specially, and on August 11, W. C. T. U. day, addresses by the State Presidents of Ohio, Indiana and Michigan, Mrs. Anna R. Clark, Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, and Mrs. S. A. Benjamin, respectively, and Miss Anna A. Gordon and Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, our National President and Vice-President-at-large of the W. C. T. U., proved a treat indeed. At the supper hour Hon. E. C. Eckhart, of Auburn, treated the speakers and the W. C. T. U. corps of workers at the Cottage to a steamer ride on the lake, which is a beautiful body of water. This will remain as one of the pleasantest memories of the outing season. A diamond medal contest closed the day very happily. The class was very evenly matched and above the ordinary as to ability, which lent zest to the occasion, and the large Auditorium was packed to the very doors by an enthusiastic audience. Prof. C. M. Parker of New York, Dr. A. W. Lamas of Tennessee and Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens of Maine were the judges, and awarded the honors to Fred. Thurston, of Logansport. The young man is a very promising young orator, who will enter the field this fall as a campaign speaker for the Prohibition party. The class was composed of the following members, with the subjects as follows: Neal M. Hebing, Bay City, Mich., The Remedy, or Constitutional Prohibition; Harker S. Watkins, Detroit, The Drunkard's Defence; Fred. Thurston, Logansport, Ind., The Parting of the Ways; Leonard Natkemper, Terre Haute, The Scourge of the Republic; Dale Cartwright, Portland, Ind., The Court of Last Appeal; Miss M. Mable Craig, Bradner, O., Christian Patriotism; Miss Ada Westerfield, Pradner, O., The Light from the Range. Officers elected to serve for the ensuing year were: President, Mrs. Luella McWhirter, Greencastle; Secretary, Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, Indianapolis; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary E. Everton, Louisville, Ky.; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Anna R. Clark, Ohio, and Mrs. S. A. Benjamin, Michigan. It was with deep regret that the workers have parted from Mrs. Bach, whose efforts have made the work successful at this assembly. She was made an honorary Vice-President for life as a mark of appreciation.

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THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC AROUND EVERY CHURCH.

It's the easiest thing in life to go off a hundred or a thousand miles to some great gathering, and there vote against the sale and use of liquor. It's one of the hardest things in life to speak and act against that sale and use in your own town, where the opponents are to be met on your own streets. Did you ever know a minister to be assailed or denounced on his return home for supporting such resolutions in some great assembly? Did you ever know a minister to attack the drinking trade or usages of his own town and not find himself a storm center? The prophet courage to do the latter is what we want, because it's what the liquor traffic does not want.

If each minister would preach but four times a year on temperance, that would mean 600,000 sermons each year on temperance. Think of what this would mean for temperance reform. Why should it not be?—*Exchange*

COLLINWOOD WON \$1,000,000.

The village of Collinwood, near Cleveland, Ohio, by voting no license won \$1,000,000. The Lake Shore road planned to make extensive additions to its machine shops already established there, and knowing how that indulgence in intoxicants decreases the skill of workmen and prevent getting a desired and possible return for wages paid, informed the town authorities that if the vote at the coming election was for no license, the railroad would spend \$1,000,000 there, but, if the vote was for license, the money would go elsewhere.

Here is an example for business men everywhere. If business men in all towns would take the position of the directors of the Lake Shore railroad, how quickly would saloons disappear and the liquor question be settled. Too often it is the business men in a town who fasten the rum business upon the people. They seem afraid to unite in an effort to banish the saloon from the town. Some are under the delusion that to close the saloon is to injure trade. Never was there a greater mistake. It has been repeatedly shown that the most prosperous towns are those that have banished the saloons and the least prosperous are the towns that still retain the saloons.—*Exchange*.

The National Convention will be held this year in Philadelphia during the last week in November, making it convenient for hundreds of delegates and many visitors to go on to Washington to attend the ceremonies of the unveiling of the statue of Miss Frances E. Willard in Statuary Hall of the National Capitol.

PHILADELPHIA AND WASHINGTON.

The National W. C. T. U. Convention will be held in Philadelphia November 29 to December 4, inclusive.

All railroads will grant the same rate, which has not yet been announced. We expect it to be one fare and a third for the round trip upon the certificate plan.

Our Indiana White Ribboners will go via the Big Four to Cincinnati and from there over the Chesapeake & Ohio, via Washington City and the Pennsylvania lines to Philadelphia.

AT WASHINGTON CITY.

Returning, stop over privileges at Washington City not to exceed ten days, will be granted to all persons going in our party. This will enable all those who so desire to attend on the day after the convention, the special services to be held in Washington City by the General Officers regarding the unveiling of the statue of Miss Frances E. Willard, which is being placed by the State of Illinois in Statuary Hall in the National Capitol.

All persons desiring further information regarding the trip, please write to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, Indianapolis, Ind.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

The following invitation and letter has been received from the General Secretary of Pennsylvania:

The Senior Loyal Temperance Legion of Pennsylvania extends to the Legions, W. C. T. U.'s and Y.'s of your State an earnest invitation to attend a Senior L. T. L. Banquet to be given in Philadelphia, Pa., Monday, November twenty-eighth, nineteen hundred and four, from five to eight o'clock P. M.

J. George Fredrick, Pres. Mary A. Wert, Cor. Sec.
Elma M. Preston, Gen. Sec.

A NATIONAL L. T. L. BANQUET AT PHILADELPHIA.

For the evening of November 28, the day before the formal opening of the National W. C. T. U. Con-

vention, there is being planned quite a notable and unusual affair. The Senior L. T. L. of Pennsylvania has arranged for an immense banquet to be given to all sympathizers of the Legion, from five to eight o'clock in the evening. Mrs. Stevens, as President of the National W. C. T. U., and Miss Gordon, as World's Secretary of the L. T. L., and other National officers will be guests of honor; and a list of toasts and an agreeable and edifying program will be followed out, after a high-class menu shall have been partaken of. Hon. John Wanamaker, Rev. Dr. Charles Wesley Burns, ex-president of the Pennsylvania Seniors, and Mrs. Helen G. Rice, National Secretary, will be among the toast-makers, as well as talented and representative Seniors from many states. A nominal price per plate of fifty cents is fixed and every sympathizer of the Loyal Temperance Legion is extended an invitation to participate in this event. It will be held in a pleasant place near the scene of the other events of that evening.

The State L. T. L. Secretary has the matter in charge and to use Mrs. Preston's own words, "We expect the Hoosier State to come in goodly numbers." Let those who are expecting to go as delegates or visitors and would like to reserve plates at this, one of the best events of the national session, communicate before November 1, with Ida M. Mix, 36 W. Monroe street, Kokomo, Ind.

General L. T. L. Secretary of Indiana.

THE ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION

of the Indiana W. C. T. U. will be held in Columbus, October 21-25. The members of the Convention entitled to vote are the General Officers, Branch Secretaries, Editor MESSAGE, State Superintendents of Departments, Evangelists and Lecturers. From the Local Unions, the President, one Delegate-at-Large and one delegate for every twenty paid members. Every Union should send its full quota of delegates to this Harvest Home gathering of the Indiana W. C. T. U. Special invitations should be extended by the Local Unions to ministers, teachers and philanthropists to attend as visiting delegates. Favorable rates at the hotels and boarding houses in Columbus will be granted all visitors.

The chairmen of local committees for the Convention at Columbus are as follows: General arrangements, Mrs. Mary Bush; entertainment, Mrs. Irene B. Hawley; hotels and boarding, Mrs. Mary Bush; music, Mrs. Mary Hacker; reception, Mrs. Emily Keller; decoration, Mrs. Adriette Schiller; finance, Mrs. Angelica Jones; courtesies, Mrs. Mary Donner; check room, Mrs. Mary King; bureau of information, Mrs. Mary Sims; R. R. secretary, Mrs. Amanda Merianda; Sunday service, Mrs. Alice D. Redman; ushers and pages, Mrs. Hattie Doeler; press, Mrs. Calla Handley; telephone and telegraph, Miss Carrie Stout; postmistress, Mrs. Ella Linson; cabs, Mrs. Delila Price.

RAILROAD RATES TO COLUMBUS.

A fare of one and one-third for the round trip will be granted to all delegates and visitors going to Columbus to attend the State W. C. T. U. Convention.

This fare is granted upon the certificate plan. In purchasing tickets ask for a certificate. Purchase ticket to Columbus at regular fare and get certificate from ticket agent, which certificate, when signed at the Convention, will entitle the holder to purchase a return ticket at one-third the regular fare. All delegates and visitors going to Columbus are requested to travel via the railroads where expense is about the same as via the interurban lines.

In order to secure reduced railroad rates we must guarantee at least one hundred certificates to be signed at the convention by the special railroad agent. Last year, at Hartford City, we thought for several hours that we would lack three certificates of having the required number, but we were not disappointed. The railroad special agent sent to the convention would not sign one certificate until the full one hundred were in his possession. To some of us the full fare returning would not have been much, but to those of our sisters living at the extreme portions of the State, it would have meant several dollars extra. This was all occasioned by the use of the interurban lines. Some of our loyal hearted women explained that while it was but a few cents difference in the round trip to them, they came on the interurban because it was a little more convenient.

This year, dear sisters, if practical, patronize the railroad, so that those of our splendid membership who live on the border lines of other States and never have a State Convention near them, may not have to pay full fare. Even at one and one-third fare it costs them many dollars to attend our State Conventions.

All delegates will be entitled to free entertainment for lodging and breakfast; provided that their names and addresses have been received by the chairman of entertainment as much as two weeks previous to the

opening of the convention. For visitors, reduced rates for boarding have been secured. For information, write to Chairman of Hotels and Boarding.

Young men and young women will be interested in the W. C. T. U. according to their knowledge of it. Many such would gladly be visitors at the State W. C. T. U. Convention at Columbus if invited by their mothers. The entire expense of the trip would not be great. Reduced boarding rates will be secured for our visitors attending the convention. Bring the young people with you. Friday, Saturday and Sunday will be of special interest to them.

AT STATE CONVENTION.

The Central Passenger Association requires this year again that a fee of twenty-five cents shall be paid by each holder of a certificate that is signed at the convention.

NEW UNIONS.

The following new Unions have been reported since the August issue of the MESSAGE:

Bluffton, West Side Union, Wells County, organized by Mrs. Josephine Walmer; Bluffton, South Side Union, Wells County, organized by Mrs. Josephine Walmer; Emmaus Union, Wells County, organized by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley; Kirklin, Clinton County, organized by Mrs. Stanley and Mrs. Emma Saylor; Rising Sun, Ohio County, organized by Mrs. Culla Vayhinger; Nineveh, Johnson County, organized by Miss Alice Palmer.

WILL SPEAK AT ST. LOUIS.

Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, of South Bend, associate national superintendent of Sabbath Observance, has been requested to speak at the international Sunday rest congress to be held in Congress Hall, October 11, 12, 13 and 14, in connection with the universal exposition at St. Louis, Mo.

At this conference the Hon. Joseph B. Foraker, L. L. D., senior United Senator from Ohio, will deliver the opening address. Representatives from every civilized country upon the globe will be present and take part in the exercises. Some of the speakers from abroad are Dr. John Stoecker, court preacher to his majesty, William II; the honorable minister of justice and religion in Spain; the prime minister of the Queen of Holland; Mr. Carlo M. Ferreri, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., of Rome, and many other distinguished religious workers.

On this occasion the largest organ ever built will be handled by one of the greatest organists in the world, who has been assigned to this service by the bureau of music. The vocal music, which is to be of an unusually high character, will be in charge of the Hon. H. M. Blossom, president of the Choir Leaders' Association. The congress promises to be one of the most notable gatherings of the kind ever held.—*Ex.*

MEASURING PARTY.

A "Measuring Party" is given to you—'Tis something novel as well as new. The invitation is with a sack, For use in bringing or sending back Two cents for every foot you're tall. Measure yourself on door or wall. An extra cent for each inch give. And thereby show how high you live. With music and song, recitation and pleasure. We will meet one and all at our "Party of Measure."

The Trevoze L. T. L. made over ten dollars with the above idea. Six boys and girls stood up for the audience to guess their height. A tape measure was given to the person who guessed the nearest. A good program was rendered and a profitable evening enjoyed.—*Pennsylvania W. C. T. U. Bulletin.*

REPORT ON THE \$1,000 FUND.

Received at last report.....	\$240.85
St. Joseph W. C. T. U.....	1.00
A Friend at Hartford City.....	1.00
Six Miles Union, Wells Co.....	13.00
Reifsburg " ".....	10.00
Liberty Center Union.....	1.00
Barber Mills Union.....	3.03
Ossian Union.....	10.00
Salem Union.....	5.00
Poneto Union.....	5.00
Bluffton.....	10.00
Mrs. Lucy Smith, of Homestead.....	5.00
Joseph Roll ".....	1.00
Anna Beck, ".....	1.00
Mrs. Kirch, ".....	1.00
Mrs. Kate Sibbert, ".....	1.00
Jennie Ward, ".....	1.00
Rev. C. W. Kroft, ".....	2.50
Mrs. C. W. Kroft, ".....	2.50
Merritt V. Kroft, ".....	1.00
Ruth Kroft, ".....	1.00
Lotta Pierce, of Williamsport.....	1.00
Total.....	\$316.88

MATTIE E. H. CHANDLER,
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The thirty-first annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana will meet in the Christian Tabernacle in Columbus, Ind., Oct. 21-25, 1904. The State Executive Committee will meet in the parlors of the Church at 7 o'clock Thursday evening, October 20.

CULLA J. VAYHINGER,
President Indiana W. C. T. U.

Much as we regret personally not to use some of the lengthy obituaries or eulogies, it is impossible to do so.

If possible arrange to attend the National W. C. T. U. Convention at Philadelphia, Pa., November 29 to December 4. Our party of Indiana people will be congenial and cordial.

Delegates to State Convention will be entertained free for lodging and breakfast, supper not included, as was announced in September Message. The editor made the mistake.

PRO-LIQUOR LITERATURE.

It is said that one of the national liquor associations reports that it expended last year \$23,000 for pro-liquor literature, which was distributed throughout the country according to a systematic plan. Millions of pages were mailed directly to voters. This is a part of their campaign of education of the public, by which they hope and expect to hoodwink the latter into entertaining false ideas about alcoholic drinks that will help the sale of the latter. The condition of affairs makes it imperative that every Woman's Christian Temperance Union worker should constitute herself a committee of one to do what she can to counteract the influence of the liquor literature, by distributing constantly, widely and with discrimination, temperance literature. Mrs. Hunt's letter in another column offers various opportunities for securing such literature, of which we are sure all of our workers will be glad to avail themselves.

CONTEST DEPARTMENT.

I have been so very busy of late that I have scarcely had time to let you know how well we are doing. There has been a decided increase in the number of contests held over last year and we hope to have a much greater increase by convention time. In order that you may see what has been done lately I shall give you in figures the number of books and medals sent out the last three months: June, 16

books, 30 silver medals, 5 gold and 2 grand gold; July, 113 books, 34 silver medals, 10 gold medals; August, 83 books, 35 silver medals, 10 gold and 5 grand gold, and 1 diamond. Thus far in September, 20 books, 26 silver, 6 gold and 1 grand gold medals.

Some of the workers have sent in their last reports and others are working right on. Let those who can send in their reports soon, that I may arrange my annual report with as little inconvenience as possible. May God bless you every one and give us the victory, is the earnest prayer of your friend and co-workers,
CORA M. STEELE.

PEACE DEMONSTRATION.

The celebration of the anniversary of the Hague Conference that is to be held the 8th of October in Indianapolis is only one of the many hundred that is to be observed by colleges and societies throughout the whole world. First from the teachings of the Society of Friends to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the heaven is fast leavening the whole lump. It is to be deplored that colleges are establishing military departments, thus fostering the military spirit in students. In our State Agricultural College some twenty young men recently declined to become members of the military, because of the steadfastness to principal and they had to endure the jeers and ridicule of those who should have encouraged and commended their cause. In view of this fact the society decided to endorse their stand and ask the protection and guidance from Him who said: Peace on earth, good will to men.

HOUSEHOLD ECONOMICS.

The principal work of this department the coming year will be to co-operate with the State Board of Health and all who are interested in health reform. The Unions have an excellent opportunity to cultivate harmony in practical work with the various clubs, as the question of pure food appeals to woman, as she is largely responsible for the quality of the food that comes to the table. Petitions asking that societies give them endorsement will be distributed and the names of committees be secured if possible. The W. C. T. U. of England has organized a department called Food Reform. We of Indiana now have an opportunity to show that we are in advance of our younger sisters and should demonstrate it by sending well filled petitions, to be forwarded to the General Assembly by your State Superintendent. By and by, when our chemists accept the teachings of the latest scientific research, by declaring that all food and drink that contains alcohol is a poison, we feel that they will have become our strongest allies. God hasten the day.
MARY A. MOODY.

LAW AND STATISTICS.

Below you will find the result of our investigations that we have been making in the interest of our department for the past year, September 1, 1903, to September 1, 1904, in this (Center) township:

DISBURSEMENTS			
Intoxicants.....	\$262,270 00		
Police protection.....	4,200 00		
Jail board.....	898 00		
Officers' fees.....	186 00	\$267,554 80	
RECEIPTS.			
Licenses, City.....	\$8,000 00		
" County.....	3,333 28		
Fines.....	259 50	\$11,592 78	
Loss.....	\$255,962 02		

On the authority of an old ex-saloon-keeper we have estimated the amount of sales for each saloon, six days in the week, at \$25. We pay our police \$700 per month, and we have charged one-half, or \$350, to the saloon for our police protection. The county license goes to the school fund, but please note that it is over \$800 less than the amount paid by our taxpayers for police protection. It costs us forty cents a day to keep our jail prisoners, and of the 549 persons placed in jail last year, 372 were charged with intoxication and spent 2,247 days there for that misdemeanor.

If it costs Kokomo and Center township over \$255,000 to support thirty-five saloons, what an appalling sum it must take to maintain the 5,000 saloons of Indiana! Our voters do not seem to think of much but the money question. How I wish we could make them figure on this problem for a little while!

MISS CARRIE STYER,
Kokomo, Ind. Superintendent.

FROM THE GREENCASTLE BANNER.

Monday evening, September 12, Dr. and Mrs. J. P. D. John opened their delightful home to the W. C. T. U., who entertained in honor of Dr. and Mrs. F. T. McWhirter. Dr. McWhirter and family leave their home at "Rosabower" this week for their former residence in Indianapolis. The house was profusely decorated with cut flowers, the parlor being in white, the emblem of purity. A mantel was especially designed for Mrs. McWhirter by Mrs. Hattie Moore and a beautiful pink crepe myrtle bouquet by Mrs. E. T. Chaffee. Asters, nasturtiums, dahlias and vines made the pleasant rooms especially attractive. Although the guests were saddened by the thought of our loss, each vied with the other in making the evening one long to be remembered. Miss Sara Doddridge and Miss Marion Ostrom received the guests at the door. Dr. and Mrs. John, Mrs. Mc-

Whirter, Dr. and Mrs. J. B. DeMotte and Mrs. Charles Webb welcomed the guests in the parlor. They were assisted by an interesting company of young people in dispensing the hospitalities of the occasion. After refreshments the company joined in singing "Blest be the tie" and the president, Mrs. John, gave an inspiring resume of the work of the Union and particularly of the growth of the Union since Mrs. McWhirter came among us; to her she presented a souvenir as a reminder of our appreciation and love. Mrs. McWhirter made a most inspiring and forceful response, impressing upon us the necessity of earnest, continued labor for our cause. Ross Baker gave in exact tune a difficult double stop selection on the violin. The evening closed with the singing of that sad, sweet song, "God be With You Till We Meet Again."

FREE LITERATURE FOR YOUR DEPARTMENT.

OFFER NO. 1.

To every County and Local Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction sending us at one time five new subscriptions to the *School Physiology Journal* at 50 cents each we will send, postage paid, 50 cents worth of Scientific Temperance Instruction literature, which each Superintendent may select for herself from our list of such literature.

OFFER NO. 2.

To the County Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction sending us the largest number of new subscriptions to the *School Physiology Journal* at 50 cents each before January 1, 1905, we will send, postage paid, \$3.00 worth of Scientific Temperance Instruction literature, which the County Superintendent may select for herself from our list of such literature.

OFFER NO. 3.

To the Local Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction sending us the largest number of new subscriptions to the *School Physiology Journal* at 50 cents each before January 1, 1905, we will send, postage paid, \$1.50 worth of Scientific Temperance Instruction literature, which the Local Superintendent may select for herself from our list of such literature.

A TWO-FOLD ADVANTAGE.

Every Scientific Temperance Instruction worker needs supplies of literature for successfully conducting her work. Our offers above make it possible for you to obtain such supplies without spending a cent for them. At the same time, by our plan, you will be giving your own teachers and temperance workers just the help and information they need by putting the *School Physiology Journal* into their hands.

ONE WAY TO GET IT.

1. Find out how many teachers and school officials there are in your city, town or district.
2. Estimate the cost of providing each with the *School Physiology Journal* per year (price in clubs of five or more, 50 cents per subscription.)
3. Go to your business and professional men and others whom you wish to interest. Point out to them what scientific temperance instruction in the public schools has already helped to accomplish in improving health and increasing sobriety and wealth in the nation. Show them department leaflets Nos. 81 and 45, copies of which, with a copy of the *School Physiology Journal* will be sent for five cents to any one applying for them to the address below.
4. Show them how health and sobriety directly affect business interests.
5. State the amount of money needed to supply each of your local school officials and teachers with the latest and best helps on this subject, as found in the *School Physiology Journal*.

6. Ask each person visited to contribute his proportion of the whole amount needed. Send in your subscriptions early, so that your teachers can have the September number at the beginning of the school year. Teachers now begin their work with new enthusiasm. Use this opportunity for arousing enthusiasm in teaching temperance physiology. The *School Physiology Journal* will do this with its outline of topics for the year's work, its carefully developed lessons showing how to present some of the topics in the class-room, its reference material from great scientific authorities and its pictures and illustrative stories. This is practical temperance work. Do it now.
MRS. MARY H. HUNT,
23 Trull st., Boston. National Superintendent S. T. I.

MRS. MARY H. HUNT.

One day last June, while in Berlin, Germany, visiting one of the great museums, my attention was called to some of the relics that had been found in the camp of Napoleon. Among them was a watch. The hands of this watch pointed exactly to 5 o'clock. I do not know whether there is any significance in their pointing to 5 o'clock, but this much I do know, that history tells us that on that memorable day of the battle of Waterloo, at 5 o'clock, not far away from the place where Napoleon had spent the night, Wellington was seen to take out his watch and was heard to say, At 5 o'clock. Blucher was nigh just then; over the hills of the east came the columns of bayonets of the advancing army, and Blucher and his army came. The regiments that Wellington was waiting for and their coming at that very hour saved the morning of the Nineteenth Century from the

march of despotism. Had Blucher been later, what history would have followed neither you nor I can tell. He was on time.

The despot of the morning of the Twentieth Century is not a military despotism. It is not even a sentient being. It is a narcotic, chemical poison. It is alcohol and the great question is, Will it Rule as a Despot the Twentieth Century? I prophesy that it will not, for I believe that the recruits will be on time. I can already hear the coming of their steps. The children of the people in the State of New York, who are under the temperance education laws, are being trained and taught that alcohol is a narcotic poison, never a food, always an injury to man when taken as a beverage. The children of eight million people in New York, of seven millions in Pennsylvania, of five millions in Illinois, of four millions in Ohio and of millions of others—these are the recruits—twenty-two millions of recruits—and the question is, Will they be on time? Women of the Christian Temperance Union of the United States, you will answer that question! People sometimes ask, What is the Woman's Christian Temperance Union doing and what has it done anyway? Well, these recruits that are coming will tell what has been done and what will be done.

You all know of the great Anti-Alcohol Congress held in Bremen, Germany, last April, in which I had the privilege of taking an active part. But you can hardly comprehend the importance of that conference or the impression it made upon the people of Europe. At every session the Germans stood leaning up against the wall, every seat filled, and from one, two, ten, twenty and sometimes one hundred men taking part in these scholarly discussions. I said, When did anybody ever see anything like that in America? Here, if we hold an audience with bright stories we think we do very well. What was the testimony there? It was all one way, with one exception. There was one delegate from Prague, Professor Hupig, of the University of Prague. Every time anything was said decisively against beer he would jump up and tell us how good the Bavarian beer is, how delicious and nutritious. One of the greatest and wisest of the German professors on nervous diseases, said: Will the professor demonstrate to us that the Bavarian beer is good? We have proven by our chemical analysis the amount of alcohol in the beer; we have proven by our demonstration the effect of alcohol upon the whole system. If the professor will prove that we are wrong we will gladly admit it; a mere assertion goes for nothing. The professor subsided for a time only to pop up again and again when anything was said against beer.

I was invited to address the Congress on the subject of Scientific Temperance Education in the United States. The reading of my paper has resulted in the receipt of many letters from different parts of the world asking for particulars of our methods and how they could be applied to the conditions in Germany.

When I reached Berlin, in company with Fraulein Hoffman, President of the German W. C. T. U., our first caller was the Countess Bismarck, wife of the son of the great Chancellor. Countess Bismarck said that among the last sentences of the great Chancellor was this, That if Germany could only settle the drink problem, Germany might then be able to settle all her other social problems. Long and earnestly we discussed the temperance problem in Germany.

There was not an hour from the time my foot touched foreign soil that was not given in part to some intercourse, some conference with representatives of the various governments. All of these different countries are eager to get hold of the facts. Europe is seething. I advised the brewers to get out of the business, because all the civilized world to-day is awakening to the fact that alcohol is the greatest enemy to human progress.

When Germany gets her scientific temperance education law (and when the Reichstag meets there will be presented such a law), then the books which I sent to the Empress Victoria of Germany will be ready. Germany made the scientific investigation of the effects of alcohol on the human system; America embodied them in her textbooks and applied them practically and now they will go back again to Germany to be practically applied in her schools; this is the battle of the nations.

The question of the hour is, Shall we be so faithless to our opportunities that our reserves shall not come in on time? If anything is going wrong, if there is not a gain in temperance sentiment in your community, it is because somebody has not done all that he or she might have done to secure the best scientific training for the children in the public schools. If you are doing that, your recruits will come—and they will be on time!

I have said to the great audiences of teachers into whose faces I have been looking, that the child who is born to-day will see the last saloon go; that if you are truly masters you will bring in the recruits and the day will come when there will be no more saloons and breweries and no distilleries in our fair land.—*Union Signal*.

Lady Carlisle has been re-elected President of the British Woman's Temperance Association. Mrs. Pearsall Smith, on behalf of the Association, presented Lady Henry Somerset with an address which, with the signatures, formed a roll 759 feet long. This was accompanied by a check for over \$2,000 for a mission established by Lady Henry in East London.

Y. W. C. T. U.

Richmond has a new Y., the result of a visit and talks of the Y. W. C. T. U. Secretary. The following officers were elected: President, Miss Anna Eves; Corresponding Secretary, Estella Coalter; Recording Secretary, Miss Elsie Shater; Treasurer, Miss Pearl Mitchell. The members held a contest at Boston, to earn their dues. They want to be counted this year. Reports are coming in very nicely and we hope to give a full report of work done at the convention this year.

Goshen Y.'s held a reception at Miss Grace Cunningham's home to plan for the coming year's work. About sixty were present, and the Local Superintendent, Mrs. Fidler, thinks their plan of discontinuing the meetings for the summer months a fine one, as the Y.'s seem rested and ready for work. They will hold their business meeting and elect officers soon.

Frances Willard Y.'s, of Terre Haute, sends report from President, Miss Lula Pond, for coming year. They had charge of the meetings at the jail for the last three months, made eighty-eight sick calls and distributed several thousand pages of literature.

Anderson Y.'s will have the pleasure of a visit from their County President, Mrs. Retta Jones, at their next regular meeting.

Dear girls, please send me the names of your delegates to the State Convention as early as possible so we can plan for our Y. Conference. After receiving the names and being assured of those whom I can depend upon to take a part in the Conference, you will receive a type-written outlined program of the same. Onward to victory! The motto, work, pray and push every department of work; the enemy is only afraid when the army of young people begin to work.

Plan a temperance meeting by the way of a question box at some of your young people's meetings; these have proved a success and interested hundreds of young people the last year in our cause.

With much love and heartfelt thanks to the dear girls who have responded so quickly and so nobly to all our plans we remain prayerfully for your success,

CLARA M. SEARS,
State Y. Secretary.

A NEW DANGER.

In an article contributed to the *Chicago Tribune*, Dr. William E. Gamble, of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York City, makes some statements which should cause any person inclined to the use of patent medicines to make a sudden halt in his experiments with such remedies. His statements refer to the extensive use which is being made of wood alcohol as a cheap substitute for common alcohol in patent medicines and other mixtures which require the presence of some preservative element. He says:

"Within the last five years American physicians who limit their practice to diseases of the eye have recognized with increasing frequency cases of complete blindness resulting from the use of a cheap variety of alcohol known as wood alcohol. * * * Formerly its disagreeable odor deterred the debauchee from its use in all but unusual cases. Recently it has been deodorized, and placed upon the market under new and most innocent names. Frontier settlements, where supplies are apt to give out on account of lack of facilities for communication, have furnished more than their share of blind men from this cause. The drug in these cases has usually masqueraded under the form of essence of Jamaica ginger, lemon, peppermint or cinnamon, wood alcohol being used in their manufacture by unscrupulous firms instead of the commonly used grain alcohol, for the reason that it costs but one-third as much. Since it has been successfully deodorized, it has taken the place of the more expensive alcohol in the arts, and will more and more.

"Under the name of Columbian spirits, varnishers use it almost exclusively to cut their shellac. During the last three years three cases of complete and permanent blindness have been observed in this city in varnishers, caused by inhaling the fumes of this drug in a confined atmosphere. One man became completely and permanently blind within three days while varnishing the inside of a beer vat, while his partner became blind in two weeks. * * * Last year three-fourths of a bottle of a widely advertised patent medicine, taken within a few hours in two or three doses by a man in this city, produced complete permanent blindness. From the symptoms, wood alcohol was present in this mixture.

"I am informed by two of our best-known retail druggists that this variety of alcohol has, within the last three or four years, largely displaced grain alcohol in the manufacture of bay rum, witch hazel and other barbers' supplies. It is also used in the compounding of liniments.

"The eyes of men blind from the use of either kind of alcohol have a normal appearance; no redness or swelling is seen nor pain felt. This absence of any appearance of disease of the eyes lulls the victim into a false security, from which he may be aroused only when he is almost blind and cure is rendered impossible. The disease affects the nerve elements of the eye only, the retina and optic nerve."

This knowledge of the terrible danger involved in the use, either internally or externally, of this deadly substance, says Dr. Gamble, is new, and has heretofore been published almost exclusively in special journals devoted to diseases of the eye.—*Exchange*.

MORMON CHURCH.

What does the Mormon Church claim?
That it is the only true Church on the face of the earth.

That the book of Mormon is superior to the Bible.
That its leaders receive direct revelation from God.

That Adam was God and that he created the world.

What does Mormonism teach?
That the commands of its leaders must be implicitly obeyed.

That every man should have many wives.

What is the having of many wives called?
Polygamy.

Is polygamy allowed in any other States than Utah?

It is against the laws of all States and when Utah was made a State the Mormon leaders promised to give up polygamy.

Did they mean to keep the promise?

Probably not. They have certainly broken it many times since.

What is done with men who marry more than one wife in other States?

They are arrested, tried and imprisoned.

Is not this done in Utah?

Very rarely, for the courts are controlled by Mormons and it is almost impossible to convict a man of any crime that is allowed by the Mormon religion.

What more are the Mormons seeking to do?

To colonize other States, to get converts from all the States and so to make themselves a great political power in this country.

Do they send out missionaries?

Seventeen hundred missionaries are kept at work in this country and three hundred abroad. These men come even into Christian churches and prayer-meetings and Christian homes and try to teach their abominable doctrines.

Where else are the Mormons seeking to get a foothold?

In Mexico, where they have recently bought thousands of acres and to which they have sent 50,000 people the last year.

Can the National Congress make laws for a State?
No, each State makes its own laws, but they must always agree with the National Constitution.

How, then, can anything be done to stop the evils of Mormonism?

Nothing can be done to interfere with the religious beliefs of the Mormons, for in this country every man has the right to believe what he likes.

Can every man do as he likes if he believes it is right?

Not if his actions injure others. A man can not go out in the street and fire off a pistol without paying any attention to where the shot might strike. The law forbids him to put other people in danger.

How is Mormonism dangerous to our country?

Polygamy destroys homes and the homes of our country are its safeguards. A lot of homeless people can never make a safe government under which to live.

How can Congress abolish polygamy since it can not make laws for the States?

It can enact a constitutional amendment forbidding polygamy anywhere in the United States. Then this will be sent to various States and the voters in them will have the chance to vote on it. If two-thirds of the States accept it, it becomes a part of the National Constitution and so a part of the law of the land.

How will that help in Utah?

United States courts can then take the place of Mormon courts and it will be possible to enforce the laws against polygamy.

Will such an amendment be passed?

There will be a very determined effort to secure its passage in the Congress that assembles the first Monday in December. It is very important that such action should be taken this winter, as otherwise the whole thing will be delayed so long that there will be increasing danger from the Mormon power.

How can the people help to secure it?

By signing petitions to Congress and writing letters to congressmen asking them to vote for the constitutional amendment.

What can those who are not voters do?

They can understand the danger, can tell it to others and use all their influence to secure the passage of the amendment through letters from voters and petitions signed by men and women.—*Loyal Temperance Legion Helper*.

BRIEF NOTES.

The State W. C. T. U. Convention will meet in Columbus, October 21-25, 1904.

The National W. C. T. U. Convention will meet in Philadelphia, November 29 to December 4, inclusive.

The Moores Hill Union met recently at the home of the President, to make grape butter for the Hadley Home School.

Two more new Unions in Wells County; 115 new members in their new Unions; 14 Unions in the county now; Mrs. Josephine Wallmer, President.

Dearborn County has one more Loyal Temperance Legion organized at Aurora.

Broad Ripple officers: President, Mrs. Fannie Kelso; Secretary, Mrs. Matilda White.

Palmer Union officers: President, Rev. Mary Cox, 1512 Fay street, West Indianapolis.

Indianapolis Meridian Union officers: President, Mrs. Mary Sims, 2201 Ashland avenue; Secretary, Mrs. Phoebe Curryer.

Mapleton Union officers: President, Mrs. A. T. Whitson, 3335 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis; Secretary, Mrs. Ella King.

Indianapolis North East Union officers: President, Nina Bigham, 1812 E. Twelfth street; Secretary, Mrs. George Henderson.

Elkhart County officers: President, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins; Vice-President, Mrs. H. Z. Vail; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Cordelia Clark; Recording Secretary, Miss Madge Work; Treasurer, Mrs. C. C. Kauffman.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley attended the Prebble County, Ohio, convention. She will attend the County Convention at Oxford. Later she will speak at Shelbyville, Hartford City, Huntington, LaFayette, Ft. Wayne, and Fowlerton.

Cold Springs, Dearborn County, celebrated their first anniversary this month by holding a picnic and inviting the other Unions in the county. The County President, Mrs. Ella Kroft, and her husband, Rev. Charles Kroft, both made addresses.

Greencastle officers: President, Mrs. J. P. D. John; Vice-President, Mrs. Mary G. Webb; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Florence Martin; Recording Secretary, Mrs. John B. DeMotte; Treasurer, Mrs. Charles Preston; Collecting Treasurer, Mrs. S. C. Prevo.

Rev. Anna H. Shaw will be one of the speakers at the annual meeting of the Massachusetts Woman Suffrage Association to be held in Attleboro October 21. It is expected there will also be addresses from one or more of the distinguished foreigners attending the International Peace Congress and a brilliant program.

Miss Jennie Smith has cottage tents pleasantly situated in St. Louis for lodges. Rooms furnished with new iron bedsteads, etc., same as a house, will be heated when cold. Market and LaClede car from union station to state entrance, one square from tents, 1115 Billion avenue. Lodging, 50 cents; she makes this effort for the benefit of her Railroad Work.

Broad Ripple membership is still increasing. Two more names were added at the last meeting, Mrs. Louisa White and daughter, Miss Jessie Lott. It was election of officers and we had a good meeting, laid plans for another year's work, in which we hope to do better than we have in the past year. Our delegates were also elected for the County Convention.

The Phlox Union elected new officers as follows: President, Caroline Shockney; Vice-President, Bessie Fox; Corresponding Secretary, Myrtle Shockney; Treasurer, Arcadia Fellow; Recording Secretary, Rachel A. Fox. We hope to have more and better work done the coming year. May God bless the efforts of the W. C. T. U. all over the land.

Mrs. Trish, better known as Mother Trish, spent a few days at Culver, during her stay. She preached once, and lectured twice. That her work was appreciated was attested by the large and attentive audiences that greeted her on every occasion. Mother Trish possesses remarkable vigor, of both mind and body, for one who has reached her seventy-second milestone, and reared a large family. Her rich German phraseology renders her speech very attractive.

College Corner—Willard Memorial Union held a very successful contest at Springfield M. E. Church on the evening of August 13, it being both a silver and grand gold contest, five contesting for the silver medal, four girls and one boy, Robbie Whiteman winning the medal. For the grand gold medal, there were three contestants, two girls and one boy, Miss Edith Maley being the successful one. The young people all did well, some of them showing marked ability in oratory.

Mother Thompson has lately passed her eighty-eighth birthday. The Highland County W. C. T. U. and the Hillsboro Union united in celebrating the event at the Children's Home, as Mrs. Thompson desired the children to share her birthday gifts. An excellent program was given by the little ones and a touching tribute to Mother Thompson was made by her pastor, the Rev. Dr. Deaton. Many pleasant words were spoken and the event marks another milestone in the life of this beloved crusader.—*Exchange*.

Mother Trish, as Evangelist for German organization, has lectured in four or five places, giving satisfaction and gaining new members in each place. She has a supply of German literature which, if needed, can be ordered of her at corner of Washington and Center streets, Warsaw, Ind. On account of ill health Mother Trish has not accomplished as much as she desired. The Warsaw Union attribute the organization of their society largely to the prayers that are still spared of the first Union and the crusaders of Warsaw. Their membership now is greatly valued.

The Indianapolis Frances E. Willard Union elected the following officers: President, Mrs. Frances Williams; Vice-President, Mrs. A. B. Leck; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Perrine; Recording Secretary, Dotia Daugherty; Treasurer, Mary Schad. Superintendents—Flower Mission, Mary Leck; Jail and Prison, Mrs. Scott; Temperance Literature, Ella Rose; Sunday School, Nannie Perrine; Press, Dotia Daugherty; Anti-Narcotic, Mrs. Blodgett; Hadley Home, Mrs. Geyer; Medal Contest, Mrs. Blodgett. Assistants—Mesdames Florence Smith, Turner, Willson and Dotia Daugherty.

LaPorte Union at its last business meeting also had a program on Social Purity. The following topics were given and discussed: How to Live a Pure Life, What Can I do to Make the Lives of Others More Pure, Is it my Duty to Tell Others of Their Impurities? Is it as Easy for One Person as Another to Live a Pure Life? The discussion was led by mesdames Baumgardner, West and Bowers. A reading entitled The Heart that Dares not Sing by the Superintendent, Mrs. Seth. Pease, which was obtained through the kindness of the State Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hattie W. Brand.

Moore's Hill Union held a lawn fete at the home of Mrs. Rynerson on the evening of August 18. A very interesting anti-narcotic program was rendered. There was a good attendance. Ice cream and cake were served, which added a neat sum to the treasury. On September 8 a small gold contest was held. Miss Leach Adams, age 12, received the medal on the recitation The Convict's Soliloquy. Mrs. Brand was with us on September 12 and gave a reading that was highly appreciated. Our newly elected officers are: President, Mrs. A. E. Rynerson; Vice-President, Mrs. L. C. Smith; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Z. J. Kelley; Recording Secretary, Miss Anna Patrick.

Elkhart County W. C. T. U. Convention was held at Elkhart, Thursday and Friday, September 15 and 16. State President, Mrs. Vayhinger, gave a fine lecture to a good audience the first evening. Friday afternoon a silver medal matron's contest was held—5 participated, Mrs. Armstrong receiving the medal. Friday evening a gold medal contest was given. The church was filled, the speaking was excellent. Prof. Thomas awarding the medal to Mrs. George Young. The Professor's closing words, he being a good Republican, were significant. The Republicans have a gold standard and the Democrats have a gold standard. I did not know the standard of the Prohibitionists 'till to-night. Their standard is gold, too, fine gold, 24 karats fine.

Kirklin Union has elected its officers for the coming year as follows: Mrs. Ella Hopp, president; Mrs. D. L. Thompson, vice-president; Miss Blanche Barnett, treasurer; Miss Lelah Mann, secretary. The departments of work and their superintendents are as follows: Superintendent of Mother's Meetings and Purity, Mrs. D. L. Thompson; Superintendent of Sabbath Observance, Mrs. J. Titus; Superintendent Flower Mission, Lelah Mann; Superintendent Medal Contest, Blanche Barnett; Superintendent Press and Literature, Jean Louks. Mrs. Titus presented the Union with a handsome burnt wood mail box, which was placed in the depot. The Union, though young, is steadily growing, and though facing a strong public sentiment, is not discouraged.

Rev. Anna H. Shaw writes from Manchester, England: She, Susan B. Anthony and Miss Lucy Anthony were the guests of Mrs. Nuthall, who has a very large place outside the city. I cannot write you, Miss Shaw says, of the loveliness of the place nor the magnificence of the house. To-morrow there are to be a luncheon and a garden party. From our windows we can see for miles over the country, or from another side see the woods and beautifully laid-out gardens. After leaving Manchester, Miss Shaw and Miss Anthony were to spend two days with the Bright family and then go to Edinburgh. Great attentions were showered upon them while in London and England. Miss Shaw sailed for home on August 13.—*Exchange*.

Cold Spring Union celebrated its first anniversary Wednesday, August 24, by giving a picnic in Mrs. Sarah Evan's grove. There was a large crowd and many from a distance. The features of the day were speaking, singing and a ball game. Mr. and Mrs. Croft, of Guilford, and Rev. C. T. White, of Dillsboro, were among those who gave interesting talks and Aunt Lucy Smith, of Moores Hill, read a paper which contained many useful thoughts. Several recitations from Moores Hill. This Union was organized in the Cold Spring Baptist Church by Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, when at that time was held an all day meeting in the church. We have nine members and one honorary member. We meet once a month. Mrs. Sarah Evans is our President. Have held six contests, three at our own place, one at Elrod, one at Chesterville, one at Moores Hill, which went to help our dear girls at the home.

The Dillsboro Union, accompanied by a number of their friends, about 35 in all, Mrs. C. J. Vayhinger, our beloved State President, of Moores Hill, included, went to Friendship, Ripley County, where a well attended all day meeting was held in the M. E. Church, with Mrs. Vayhinger as leader. In the afternoon a Union of 13 members was organized, 8 active and 5 honorary: President, Mrs. Lena Livingston, Friendship, Indiana; Vice-President, Mrs. Mat-

tie Arford; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Meta Livingston; Treasurer, Mrs. Emma Heitmyer; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Lizzie Livingston; Superintendent of Sunday School Work, Mrs. Edith Goodrich; Associate Superintendent, Mr. Elmer Livingston; Superintendent of Contests, Mrs. Edith Goodrich; Associate Superintendent, Mr. Ed. Goodrich; Superintendent of Press, Mr. Elmer Livingston.

Union County held its annual convention September 15 in the Presbyterian Church at College Corner and elected the following officers: President, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Liberty; Vice-President, Mrs. Charles Stivers, Liberty; Secretary, Mrs. H. F. Hanna, College Corner; Treasurer, Mrs. Fred. Hanna, College Corner. Departments—Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Anna Applegate, College Corner; Anti-Narcotics, Mrs. Will. Bryson, Liberty; Contest, Miss Sallie Osborn, College Corner; Evangelistic, Mrs. Ida Graham, Liberty; Flower Mission, Mrs. Sarah Harvey, College Corner; Franchise, Mrs. Lila Laird, College Corner; L. T. L., Mrs. Minnie Phares, Liberty; Purity, Miss Sallie Osborn, College Corner; Mercy, Mrs. H. L. Bake, College Corner; Non-Alcoholic Medication, Mrs. Frank Hawley, College Corner; Peace and Arbitration, Miss Lottie Buck, College Corner; Press, Miss Anna Buck, College Corner.

Marion County News Items—Mrs. Carrie Quinn, County Superintendent of Medal Contest Work in Marion County, held a silver medal contest in Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, in Indianapolis, September 9. The contestants were: Bessie Quinn, Mary Hill, Mattie Werner, Hazel McElwaine and Bessie Williams. The medal was won by Hazel McElwaine, who recited New Recruits. Music was furnished by the Alliance quartette.

A gold medal contest was held Tuesday, September 20, the first night of Marion County's annual convention, at the South Street Baptist Church. Mrs. Quinn had planned to give twenty-six contests in Marion County during the year. Only fourteen have been given, but Mrs. Quinn's work is considered a success, as the careful training she has given her classes has raised the standard and made the contests more popular. Four young women from one locality have become members of the W. C. T. U. through the interest awakened by taking part in these contests.

Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand conducted the Marion County convention held in South Street Baptist Church Tuesday and Wednesday, September 20 and 21, Mrs. Ada B. Leck, County President, being too ill to leave her home. A gold medal contest was held the first evening. Mrs. Charlton Edholm lectured at 3 o'clock the second afternoon and Judge Stubbs, of the Indianapolis juvenile court, spoke the second evening upon the influence of the cigarette on boys. Mrs. Thomas Sedgwick acted as musical director at this convention. Mrs. Brand had prepared a new banner in crimson and white, For God and Home and Native Land, the topic. Mrs. Mary Moody, County Superintendent of Anti-Narcotics, displayed a banner upon which the doors closed to cigarette smoking boys are beautifully painted.

Central Union, in Indianapolis, elected the following officers at their first meeting in September: President, Mrs. Gertrude Morrow; Vice-President, Miss Susan Clark; Corresponding and Recording Secretaries, Elizabeth Smith; Treasurer, Mrs. T. Sedgwick. The election of department superintendents was deferred, as Dr. Rachel Swain had consented to give a talk upon the Economy of Heat and Space in Dwelling Houses.

Mrs. Lizzie Heath, Marion County's Superintendent of the Department of Soldiers and Sailors, is collecting and filling the comfort bags made by the local Unions. All sailors on the battleship Indiana will receive one of these bags, which is made of white oil cloth, lined with red flannel and bound with blue tape. There are pockets for a Bible, in which is a pledge card and a personal letter written by a White Ribbon woman, for thread, tape, pincushion, beeswax, buttons (black and white), thread and a needlebook. The battleship bags will not be sent for two months. A comfort bag social has been planned by Mrs. Heath, to be held at some public place. The walls will be decorated with the bags. The proceeds will be used in working this department. E. G. SMITH.
1917 Highland Place.

IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. ELIZABETH COLLINS. Linwood Union mourns the loss by death of Mrs. Elizabeth Collins. She died August 1 of smallpox. She was ever faithful to duty as Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings. She will be missed.

MRS. JENNIE REED, of Shugart Union, Marion, has gone to her reward. Her work on earth ended September 8. Brother Reed and family have the tenderest sympathy of the Shugart W. C. T. U., of which she was a member. In the going away of our friend Shugart Union has lost one of its truest and most devoted friends. She was deprived the past year of being an active worker on account of ill health, but her heart was in the work and she was always ready with her sweet smile and kind words to cheer us on in the cause that lay so constantly on her heart. On her casket, amid the floral tokens, was seen a large white ribbon bow, emblematic of the pure, unselfish white life of our beloved sister and the cause she honored. She will be greatly missed in the Union, in the church and among a large circle of friends.

MR. JACOB S. MUSTARD died at his home in Broad Ripple, August 28, at the age of 84 years. Mr. Mustard was the husband of Mrs. Casanth Mustard, one of our good, faithful members. Mr. Mustard had been sick a long time, but was very patient to the last. He had done much good while here on earth and is now enjoying his reward on high.

Dearest husband, thou hast left us,
And thy loss we deeply feel.
But 'tis God who hath bereft us,
He can all our sorrows heal.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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A rate of one and a third fare for the round trip on the certificate plan is granted to all persons desiring to go. Get certificate when you purchase ticket of local agent. Pay regular fare to Philadelphia and the certificate, when signed at the convention at Philadelphia, will entitle the holder to buy a return trip ticket at one-third regular fare.

The National convention this year opens on Tuesday, November 29, and closes Sunday, December 4, after which delegates and visitors will attend the unveiling of the statue of Miss Willard, in Washington City. By our arrangement of official route for the Indiana delegates and visitors to Philadelphia and return, we will have the privilege of attending the services in Washington City without paying any extra railroad fare. A stop-over privilege, not to exceed ten days, will be granted at Washington City, upon our return there, by depositing our ticket with the railroad agent at Washington City during our stay.

On account of the desire of some of our delegates and visitors to attend the ante-convention conferences and the Senior Loyal Temperance Legion banquet on Monday, November 28, they will leave Indianapolis Friday evening, November 25, at 6:05 p. m., leave Cincinnati at 9:00 p. m., and arrive in Philadelphia Saturday evening, November 26, at 6:52 p. m. A boarding place at reasonable rates has been secured until Monday afternoon, when all voting delegates to the convention will be given entertainment.

Delegates and visitors not caring to attend the ante-convention conferences and the Senior Loyal Temperance Legion banquet on Monday, will leave Indianapolis on Monday, November 28, at 7:35 a. m., and leave Cincinnati at 12:01 noon of same day. Arrive at Philadelphia on Tuesday, November 29, at 10:11 a. m. From the station they will go immediately to the Convention Church, where the President's annual address will be delivered at 11:00 a. m.

All friends of temperance cause are invited to attend this great National Convention of the greatest temperance and philanthropic organization of the world. Also to attend the unveiling of the statue of Miss Frances E. Willard in Statuary Hall in the Nation's Capitol at Washington City, just after the close of the National Convention in Philadelphia. From Indianapolis round trip rate will be about \$23.00. Bring your well filled lunch baskets with you, so as to save expense of meals in dining car. Those going on Friday evening can secure sleeper from Indianapolis to Washington City for \$4.00, double berth. Two persons in a berth would pay \$2.00 each. From Washington City on to Philadelphia the ride would be by daylight and pleasant in day coach.

Those leaving Indianapolis on Monday morning can get sleeper from White Sulphur Springs, Va., probably to Philadelphia, for the same rate.

Visitors attending the Convention can secure rooms with or without board. For information regarding rooms or board, write to Chairman of Committee on Hotels and Boarding for visitors, Miss H. Frances Jones, 812 North 20th street, Philadelphia, Pa.

All persons desiring further information regarding the trip, please write to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 1013 N. New Jersey street, Indianapolis, Ind.

FROM THE UNION SIGNAL.

Rock River M. E. Conference, in session recently in Chicago, devoted considerable time to the report of the committee on temperance and prohibition. The committee recommended the establishment of endowed coffee houses as a practical counter attraction to saloons. Funds will be solicited for this purpose.

Sir Henry Thompson, M. D., F. R. S., says: "I have no hesitation in attributing a very large proportion of some of the most painful maladies which come under my notice to the ordinary and daily use of fermented drink taken in quantities which are considered moderate."

Miss Willard's birthday, September 28, was observed in many schools, as well as by local Unions. At Dows, Iowa, members of the Union furnished a brief sketch of Miss Willard's life to the teachers of the school in town and those in the surrounding country. These sketches were used as a part of the

program, which included temperance songs and recitations. Five of the schools already have Miss Willard's picture and others plan to secure it.

The Illinois grand lodge, Knights of Pythias, in session at Peoria, October 19, voted to allow no saloon keepers or bar tenders seats in the convention. Five delegates from Chicago were ousted under this ruling.

Wm. H. Kensington, a leading Mormon and United States Commissioner at Afton, Wyo., has been arrested on the charge of polygamy. The arrest is the result of an investigation being carried on by secret service men in the employ of the government.

At a recent meeting of the executive committee of the British Women's Temperance Association, the Countess of Carlisle presiding, it was voted to make a determined effort to secure a reversal by parliament of the Licensing Act of 1904, "which is a fatal obstacle in the way of the people securing the right to suppress the liquor trade in their localities."

A NEW MARSEILLAISE.

Not long ago, as I sat at my desk, there floated up the street the sound of martial music. As the players came nearer I caught the familiar strains of the Marseillaise and instinctively fitting words to music, I found myself repeating over and over the closing words of that triumphal refrain, We March, We March to Victory.

The bugles of our battle against alcohol are beginning to sound their notes of victory. Not that there will not be long, hard fighting yet, but one rampart after another of the alcohol stronghold is being captured. As the citadel is being approached there will be the more desperate resistance and consequently the greater need on our part of vigorous, concentrated effort, yet the victories of the past may well give us renewed courage for future frays.

In a recent course of addresses before teachers' institutes and public audiences, I made the statement that the child is born who will see the last legalized brewery and saloon go from the United States if the temperance people now do their part. A Washington, D. C., liquor paper quoted this, commenting in its headlines, Horrible if True.

Perhaps from their standpoint the day when there will be no saloons in the land, no lives wrecked, no homes ruined, no mothers' hearts broken because of drink, may be horrible to contemplate, but the true patriot, the lover of humanity, longs to speed the day and that is why we hear that ever swelling triumphal refrain, We March, We March to Victory, in the hearts of the consecrated motherhood of our land, a refrain born of faith in God, of conviction of His truth and of loyalty to home and country.

Victories never come by the way of chance. Somewhere back of every one lie careful devising and development of plans and training of forces. What, then, must be our plans for the immediate future if we are to gather still richer fruits of our labors?

Results at home and opinions abroad justify the conclusion that scientific temperance instruction as a part of the study of physiology and hygiene by all public schools is, as the physicians say, an indicated preventative of the malady of intemperance. How old that child will be who sees the last legalized saloon and brewery go from our midst depends upon the performance by the citizens of this republic and especially by you, my comrades, of the duty of the hour. That duty is to watch and guard at every point the best enforcements of the temperance education laws enacted by congress and all the State legislatures. A good school literature on this subject, adapted to the capacities of all classes of pupils, is available. Teachers, as a rule, are ready to do their part when given the necessary means and aid.—Mrs. Mary H. Hunt.

HOW THE BREWERS CONTROL THE SALOONS.

Out in Ohio the liquor business is largely in the hands of the brewers. The money paid by the brewers to one county each year runs close to \$750,000. The breweries practically capitalize the saloons of the entire county. At the collection last June the Cleveland & Sandusky Brewing Company paid the county \$160,125, taking care of 915 saloonists.

The Cleveland & Sandusky Brewing Company runs eight breweries and its patronage is divided among these; some saloonists have a demand for a brew of one kind, some for other brews.

The next biggest check received by the county was from the Isaac Leisy Brewing Company, for \$59,325, being payment for 339 licenses. The Gund Brewing Company paid for 151 licenses, the Diebolt Brewing Company for 139, the Pilsener Brewing Company for 112 and the Pabet Brewing Company for 39. A very few saloonists paid their own Dow tax.—National Advocate.

TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTION.

All the General Officers, the Branch Secretaries and the National Evangelists in our State, are voting members of the National convention.

Delegates to the National convention of the W. C. T. U., to be held in Philadelphia, were selected on Monday evening, as follows: Delegate-at-Large, Mrs. Lida Outland, of Upland; alternate, Mrs. Laura Thompson, of Greensburg; delegate, Mrs. Alma Shaw, of Steuben County; alternate, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, of Elkhart; Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, of Liberty; alternate, Mrs. Stahl, of Hartford City; Mrs. Jennie Badger, of Jeffersonville; alternate, Mrs. May Moser, of Loogootee; Mrs. Carrie Jones, of Terre Haute; alternate, Mrs. Florence Hodler, of Brazil; Mrs. Seth Pease, of LaPorte; alternate, Miss Eliza F. Baker, of LaFayette; Mrs. Ida Mix, of Kokomo; alternate, Mrs. Shueman, of Anderson; Mrs. S. P. Toner, of Martinsville; alternate, Mrs. W. H. Blodgett, of Indianapolis; Mrs. Jennie W. Stephenson, of Gas City; alternate, Mrs. Julia Overman, of Marion; Mrs. Josephine Walmer, of Bluffton; alternate, Mrs. Gertrude Fulton, of Jay County.

WORLD'S TEMPERANCE SUNDAY.

The fourth Sunday in November of each year has been designated "World's Sunday School Temperance Sunday."

The highest ecclesiastical bodies of nearly all denominations have given recognition to this day. The appointment is also made by the International Sunday School convention through the International Lesson committee, and provision is made for a World's-Sunday School Temperance Lesson.

The drink curse is world wide, and young people in particular should be taught that it is a crime against the nation and a sin against God. It is fitting, therefore, that the subject be presented from both national and personal point of view.

We, therefore, call upon all pastors, Sunday School Superintendents and teachers, all W. C. T. U. workers in Sunday school and all friends of temperance teaching in the Sunday School, to make the observance of World's Sunday School Temperance Sunday a notable occasion. Let it be the great Annual Temperance Field Day for the Sunday schools of the world.

MRS. WILBUR F. CRAFTS,
Supt. Sunday School Department, World's W. C. T. U.
MRS. STELLA B. IRVINE,
Supt. Sunday School Department, National W. C. T. U.

[For programs, Pledge Cards, Literature and all materials needed for Sunday School Temperance work send to Mrs. Stella B. Irvine, Riverside, California. Sample package, 35 cents.]

KENTUCKY'S ANNUAL CONVENTION.

The Kentucky clans met this year at Mt. Sterling, September 30 to October 5, the attendance being larger than in previous years. The organization of seven counties, twenty-two Unions, one Y. and three Loyal Temperance Legions was reported. The greatest gain in membership was among the honoraries.

Speakers from abroad were Mrs. Leonora M. Lake, of St. Louis, Mrs. Charlton Edholm, of Oakland, Cal. and Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, of Indiana.

The general officers, including Branch secretaries, were all re-elected and Mrs. Mary E. Everton, of Asbury College, Wilmore, was appointed an organizer for the Medal Contest department. Twenty-two departments of the work will be undertaken this year.

A matron's gold medal contest was the special feature of one evening and drew a very large audience. The medal was awarded to Mrs. Mary E. Everton.

The most important item in the Plan of Work for next year is the petitioning of the general assembly to grant women the right to vote at all local option elections.—Union Signal.

The Senior Loyal Temperance Banquet will be held in Philadelphia on evening of November 28, Mr J. Geo. Frederick, Toastmaster. Among the speakers will be Mr. Harry Kendall Bassett, Missouri, Mr. Floyd Starr, Michigan, Miss Anna Gordon, Illinois and Hon. John Wanamaker, Philadelphia.

To Philadelphia and Washington take your son or daughter. Join the Indiana party of White Ribboners at Indianapolis and enjoy the splendid scenery of the Chesapeake & Ohio road as it follows the rivers through the mountains of the Virginias. At Philadelphia visit points of historic interest, and upon the return trip spend several days in the Capitol buildings and visiting the Houses of Congress, which will then be in session. Time spent at the annual convention of the greatest woman's organization of the world and at the Nation's Capitol will be greatly enjoyed by all and a wonderful education for young people.

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MEDAL CONTEST DEPARTMENT.

My Dear Co-Workers: This will probably be my last letter to you as Superintendent of the Contest Department, but I want to tell you how I have appreciated your hearty co-operation. I am sure our efforts have not been in vain, for we have striven to do the will of the Lord and to uplift and enlighten humanity. The Lord is blessing the efforts of our dear women who are tirelessly engaged in this noble department, and I want to say right here that I shall remember you in prayer, even when the burden of the work rests upon the shoulders of another. To date, October 15, contests have been held as follows: Silver, 310; gold, 79; grand gold, 15; diamond, 5, and grand diamond, 1. Several are in preparation, however, and we may report a few more at the convention.

CORA M. STEELE.

WORK AMONG COLORED PEOPLE.

The Alpha Home for Aged Colored Women has now twelve occupants and two matrons. A friend braided six rugs, made a silk pillow, embroidered the letters W. C. T. U. in white silk, gave also a large framed picture and some fruit. We took these gifts and held religious services with the inmates, giving the rugs to them for their own use. Six more rugs are to follow. They were very grateful to be thus remembered.

Flower Mission Day I went alone. The old women were expecting me. The Scripture texts were tied with white ribbon. We repeated them in concert and then I pinned the card on each one, including the matrons. I then told the story of Jennie Casseday's life and work. A bouquet of beautiful roses was given to each one. I then sang "Flowers, Wild-wood Flowers," which I learned when only ten years old. I felt as well repaid by their appreciation as if I sang at the opera. Each had some fresh fruit and we all felt we had spent a profitable hour.

By invitation, I went to a missionary meeting next day, which was held at the Home, to present our work. The old women came in with their scripture cards on them, which called for explanation of our Flower Mission. Some twenty were present and I gave out much literature.

Mrs. Edholm gladly gave me a Sabbath evening service. The meeting was held in the A. M. E. Bethel church. Rev. Townsend, the pastor, aided by announcing the meeting several times. Some 400 were present and gave great attention. Many amens were heard, if she did give them prohibition truth—laying the cause of the evil she represented at the saloon door. A liberal collection was given her and many bought her books. At the door was distributed 150 copies of "Beer and the Body." A contest class of little girls is now ready to win the silver medal. Others are in preparation. Expect in the near future to hold a gold contest, as four young girls now wear the silver medal. I expect to push this work.

SUSAN H. CLARK,
State Superintendent.

GREAT YEAR FOR W. C. T. U. OF WELLS COUNTY.

The annual County Convention held at Poneto, Thursday, September 29, was declared by the older members of the organization to have been the best ever held in the county, and also marked the close of the best year's work the society has done since its organization in the county. During the past year the membership was nearly doubled, 117 members and 10 new Unions having been added, making the present membership 250, instead of 133 on the first of last year. The ten new branches added to the county organization are: Tocsin, Emmaus, Craigville, Prospect, Elhanan, Murray, Liberty Center, Barber's Mills, Frances Willard Union, of Southside, Bluffton, and Christian Hope Union, of Epworth Chapel. The election of officers was conducted by ex-County President Mrs. Dr. Goodin. Mrs. D. T. Smith acted as Recording Secretary. Mrs. D. A. Walmer, who has won distinction as a County President, a worker and speaker, and who has done her work in such a sweet, cheerful, Christian spirit, was unanimously elected for another year. Mrs. Manson Reiff was elected Corresponding Secretary. Mrs. Jennie Linn, of Reiffsburg, was elected Recording Secretary. Mrs. Simon Bickle was re-elected Treasurer, and Mrs. D. A. Studabaker was appointed Vice-President. With such a corps of workers as these who have been elected we

are sure much good work will be done, and whether the work in all of its departments during the past year has come up to our expectations or not, let the work be pushed on for higher and better things this year. The program of the convention was carried out in forenoon and afternoon, and the evening services closed with a gold medal contest conducted by Mrs. Reiff, who is County Superintendent of the Medal Contest Department. Though she has had many hindrances she has been very successful and her work satisfactory.

MRS. C. W. HAWKER,
Bluffton, Ind. Wells County Press Sup't.

Huntington County convention was held at Huntington in the First Christian Church. The attendance was large and interest increased at each session. The reports of Superintendents of Departments showed an unusual activity and earnestness in many departments. An appropriation of \$1.00 to each of the Department Superintendents was made. This is a movement in advance of most County Unions in the State, as few adopt the plan. Huntington County is fast copying the methods of the State and her conventions are becoming more and more parliamentary.

The Young Woman's Branch was adopted and Miss Katherine Sites, of Roanoke, was made secretary. A comprehensive plan of work was adopted for local unions throughout the county. The very best set of resolutions ever put out in any convention was adopted.

A Gold Medal Contest was held. There were seven speakers, who, with ability, gave selections filled with strong temperance and suffrage sentiments. Every speaker deserved a prize, but the medal could only be given to one. Miss Martha Mason, of Andrews, received the medal. A local paper says this has been one of the most helpful to delegates of any convention yet held, for while the usual literary features were noticeably missing because of a lack of time, still more earnest inquiry was made among workers along the various lines of work and more helpful suggestions than ever before made. The prospect for the coming year is exceedingly bright and conventioners feel greatly encouraged by the increasing work noted.

The program was excellent throughout. The following officers and Superintendents were elected:

President, Mrs. Lou E. Rall, Huntington; Vice-President, Mrs. J. L. Ray, Warren; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Alice Iry, Andrews; Recording Secretary, Miss Martha Mason, Andrews; Treasurer, Mrs. O. W. Whitelock, Huntington; Literature, Master Frank Morrison, Warren; Press, Miss Pearl Rall, Huntington; Jail and Prison, Mrs. F. M. King, Huntington; Evangelistic, Mrs. C. H. Kiracofe, Huntington; Scientific Temperance, Mrs. R. A. Morrison, Huntington; Franchise, Mrs. J. L. Ray, Warren; Medal Contest, Mrs. Alice Iry, Andrews; Parliamentary, Mrs. Lou E. Rall, Huntington; Flower Mission, Mrs. Ralph Myers, Warren; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Alice Iry, Andrews; Mercy, Mrs. Alice Mason, Andrews; Anti-Narcotics, Mrs. Stout Myers, Warren; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Laura Penfold, Markle; L. T. L. Secretaries—Mrs. Irene Gard, Warren; Mrs. Frank Myers, Warren.

Mrs. McWhirter was to have been in attendance and to have made the address on the first evening, but, on account of spending days at the bedside of a dying loved one at Greencastle, became confused in the dates and failed to be present. Her work in the Convention was done by others to good advantage, and the evening address was made with great acceptability to the splendid audience by the County President. Huntington County realizes, as never before, the splendid leadership, unswerving devotion and genuine ability of its beloved President, Mrs. Lou E. Roll.

PRIZE BANNER—NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION.

The Prize Banner will be awarded to the State having the largest number of working Superintendents in proportion to the number of Unions in the State. That they are working Superintendents will be decided by two things:

1. The report of at least one department meeting in the year, either public or of the Union, and giving an outline of the program of such meeting to the State Superintendent.

2. The distribution of at least fifty cents' worth of department literature to enlighten the public on the important subject so closely identified with the whole total abstinence reform. Report exactly what literature was used.

MARTHA M. ALLEN,
Oneida, N. Y. Nat. Supt. Non-Alcoholic Medication.

PHILADELPHIA AND WASHINGTON.

The National W. C. T. U. Convention will be held in Philadelphia November 29 to December 4, inclusive.

The official route is via the Big Four to Cincinnati, the Chesapeake and Ohio to Washington City and the Pennsylvania line from Washington City to Philadelphia. The purchaser of a ticket will pay the regular fare from starting point to Philadelphia, and from the local agent secure a certificate, which will be signed at the convention by the railroad secretary. Upon presentation of this certificate at the Philadelphia railroad ticket office a return trip ticket will be issued for one-third the regular fare. The fare from Indianapolis to Philadelphia and return at the rate granted will be about \$23.00.

INDIANA W. C. T. U.'S THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL CONVENTION.

The Thirty-first Annual Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana was held in the Christian Tabernacle at Columbus, Ind., October 21 to 25. The attendance was large and the hospitality of the citizens appreciated.

The annual address of the President, Mrs. Vayhinger, was able and eloquent, eliciting unlimited commendation from the people.

The report of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Brand, was comprehensive and very encouraging, showing a large increase in organized counties and new Unions, with great advancement along many lines of work.

The report of the Treasurer, Rev. Alice R. Palmer, showed a greatly increased paid membership and no indebtedness.

The reports of the department Superintendents were most encouraging, showing a very general increase in activity in all parts of the State in our do-everything policy. An increased total abstinence and prohibition sentiment, caused by the continual agitation carried on aggressively by the W. C. T. U. and to a greater or less degree by other organizations, has made it possible for much far reaching work to be accomplished. With a few exceptions the State Superintendents have been energetically at work all year and great are the results.

Welcome Night was greatly enjoyed, as the program was of unusual interest. After music the audience repeated the 146th Psalm, Mrs. Brand leading. Prayer by Rev. France, pastor of the U. B. Church. Music by the choir. Reading by Miss Maude Baker, of Indianapolis. Song, The Legion's Red, White and Blue, by the children's choir. Welcome addresses by Rev. W. G. Everson and Mrs. Jennie Guffey. Quartet, The White Bordered Flag; words by Miss Lavinia Bailey, music by Mrs. Hattie Brand. Response to addresses of welcome by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley. Solo, Some Glad Day. Announcements, Miss Alice R. Palmer. Benediction.

With pleasure and pride we listened to the cordial words of welcome and with exultation to our eloquent Mrs. Stanley in her beautiful response.

The Diamond Medal Oratorical Contest on Saturday evening was largely attended. Admission, 25 cents. The contest was in charge of Mrs. Lou E. Rall, who presided. There were eight contestants and the judges had a very hard task to perform in making a decision. The speeches were excellent. Mr. Leonard Nattkemper, of Terre Haute, was awarded the medal and also the diploma issued by the National W. C. T. U. Department of Medal Contests.

Representative members of the W. C. T. U. spoke in several of the churches on Sunday morning and evening.

The President, Mrs. Vayhinger, spoke most acceptably in the convention church on Sunday morning. A great mass meeting was held Sunday afternoon in the M. E. Church, at which a chorus of children's voices was greatly enjoyed. Miss Maude Baker gave a short reading that delighted all.

The address was by Miss Jennie Smith, the Railroad Evangelist, known and loved all over our country. Miss Anna Gordon had been called East on account of some matter pertaining to the statue of Miss Frances E. Willard, soon to be placed in Statuary Hall in the National Capitol, so she could not be present at this meeting, as had been expected; Miss Jennie Smith, by request, told the story of her affliction and the marvelous healing of her body in answer to prayer. For eighteen years she had been an invalid and much of that time was compelled to lie on her cot, after having been treated by prominent physicians in several States. The result of consultations of scores of leading men in the medical profession was to pronounce her case incurable. On a certain night in the hospital in New York city, while eleven consecrated Christians, among them her physician, watched and prayed, she was healed, sat up, then stood up and walked. Scientists have no explanation for such a marvelous healing, it being recognized as divine. The audience listened spell-bound to the wonderful recital of the marvelous power of God by this unassuming little woman.

On Sunday evening a large audience greeted Mrs. Brand in the convention church. With great ability she gave a monologue, Jim and Joe. For one hour and ten minutes the great audience listened with the intensest interest. The stoutest hearts were touched, men and women wept, while there prevailed a deep consciousness concerning the degradation and misery resulting from the licensed saloon.

On Monday evening a large audience assembled in the convention church to hear our beloved Irish sister, the eloquent and forceful Mrs. Lenore M. Lake, of St. Louis, Vice-President of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America.

The President, Mrs. Vayhinger, in a happy little speech, introduced to the audience Mrs. Josephine Walmer, President of Wells County, and told of the great work done in that county this year under her leadership, and then asked her to introduce the speaker of the evening, which she did very beautifully. Mrs. Lake always delights our audiences, and as a white ribboner we are justly proud of her.

It was decided in the convention to make Non-Alcoholic Medication the special work for the year, with the view to securing the enactment of a law that will require a formula of contents to be put on every

bottle and package containing patent or proprietary medicine.

The following is the State roster for the year. Our State Treasurer, Rev. Alice R. Palmer, declined to serve another year, so Miss Clara Sears was elected Treasurer:

STATE OFFICERS.

President—Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Madison, Ind.
Vice-President—Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Liberty.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, 1403 Ashland ave., Indianapolis.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.
Treasurer—Miss Clara Sears, Anderson.

BRANCH SECRETARIES.

Y. W. C. T. U.—Miss Lillie LaDrew, Terre Haute.
L. T. L.—Mrs. Ida Mix, Kokomo.

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Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer, Franklin.
Rev. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.
Mrs. Rose Pearce, Dana.
Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Liberty.
Work Among Colored People—Miss Susan Clark, Indianapolis.
Work Among Foreigners—Mrs. Julia A. Trish, Warsaw.

II. PREVENTIVE.

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Oratorical Medal Contests—Mrs. Julia Overman, Marion.
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Purity in Literature and Art—Mrs. R. C. Travis, Elkhart.
Anti-Narcotics—Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, 1907 Highland Place, Indianapolis.
Peace and Arbitration—Miss Lavinia Bailey, Richmond.
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Household Economics—Mrs. Mary Moody, 219 E. 10th St., Indianapolis.
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Evangelist—Mrs. E. M. Haughton, Richmond.
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Rev. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.
Rev. Hannah Stanley, Economy.
Mrs. Julia A. Trish, Warsaw.
Rev. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.
Rev. Alice R. Palmer, Franklin.
Mrs. Anna Eldridge, Irvington.
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Mercy—Mrs. Lou E. Rall, Huntington.
Jail and Prison—Mrs. Ellen Davis, Richmond.
Work Among Soldiers and Sailors—Mrs. Lizzie Heath, 310 E. Walnut St., Indianapolis.
Unfermented Communion Wine—Mrs. Sarah Kelso, R. R. 1, Jasper.
Sabbath Observance—Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, South Bend.

V. SOCIAL.

Flower Mission—Miss Hazel Toner, Martinsville.
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VI. LEGAL.

Franchise—Mrs. Laura Thompson, Greensburg.
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Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Madison.
Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Liberty.
Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, 1403 Ashland Ave., Indianapolis.
Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.
Miss Clara Sears, Anderson.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE.

Miss Mary Woodard, Miss Lavinia Bailey, Mrs. Sarah E. Thomas, Mrs. Josephine Walmer, Mrs. E. A. R. Braxton.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE.

Miss Clara Sears, Mrs. Sophia Toner, Miss Laura Cammack, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, Mrs. Sarah Lenfesty.

IN AND ABOUT PHILADELPHIA.

Independence Hall, appropriately so called because the Declaration of Independence was adopted in it on July 4, 1776, was the State House of Colonial Times. Later it was sold by the State of Pennsylvania to the City of Philadelphia for \$80,000. The bell which "proclaimed liberty throughout the land and to all the inhabitants thereof" can be seen when you visit the hall.

Prior to 1854 Philadelphia occupied a limited space, as mentioned in January *Bulletin*. The custom was then to summon the voters on election day by ringing the bell. A walk down Chestnut street from Broad street will be full of interesting sights. Among other historic buildings worthy of note is the United States Government Custom house, built in 1819 for the second United States Bank. It was modeled after the Parthenon at Athens and is said to be one of the finest examples of the Doric order of Architecture in the world. There is a rumor that a new Custom House will be erected on the block bounded by Third, Second, Chestnut and Sanson streets, but it is to be hoped that the present beautiful structure will be preserved.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Summary for July, August and September, 1904.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last quarter.....	\$168.89
Sale anti-cigarette pledges.....	.70
From Mrs. Mix, L. T. L. Supplement.....	16.32
From Mrs. Ridgeway's estate.....	100.00
For Industrial School.....	35.50
For Memorial fund—Elkhart.....	2.00
Sale of Total Abstinence Pledges.....	1.00
Sale of one Annual Report.....	.10
Sale of Reply to Committee of Fifty.....	12.00
For local convention expenses.....	49.35
Returned from appropriation to Supt. Institutes.....	3.25
Free Will Offerings.....	21.16
Interest on one hundred dollars for 30 days.....	.50
Interest on part of endowment fund.....	14.75
County dues in trust.....	18.45
L. T. L. dues.....	12.00
State dues.....	765.63
Message money.....	441.25
Total.....	\$1,664.85

DISBURSEMENTS.

Printing annual reports.....	134.60
Expenses of Central Committee, July.....	\$4.45
To Hadley School, by Mrs. Chandler.....	35.50
Booth at St. Louis Exposition.....	5.00
Postal cards for general officers and editor.....	6.00
Pound postage on the MESSAGE.....	7.15
Dues returned to Johnson County.....	6.65
Reply to Committee of Fifty, fourth thousand.....	16.00
To Mrs. Jones, Columbus, for convention expenses.....	49.35
Badges for State Convention.....	13.50
To Mrs. H. J. Hall, department of Institutes.....	25.00
To publisher of the MESSAGE for four months.....	185.36
To editor of MESSAGE, August, September and October.....	18.75
Postage, telephone and supplies.....	2.05
President, appropriation five months.....	62.50
Stamps, cards, express and paper.....	9.10
Recording Secretary, appropriation for five months.....	39.70
Postage and car fare.....	3.65
For <i>Phalanx</i> column.....	10.00
Corresponding Secretary, appropriation five months.....	156.25
Supplies, express, telephone and car fare.....	2.55
Postage.....	19.73
Field work, reward to Jeffersonville.....	5.80
Vice-President, reward lectures, Indianapolis, Allen, Blackford and Wells Counties.....	17.50
Postage.....	5.31
Treasurer, appropriation five months.....	93.75
Reward lecture, Shipshewanna.....	2.50
Postage.....	7.76
Telephone and express.....	1.05
Y. W. C. T. U. Secretary, dues for 49 members.....	9.80
L. T. L. Secretary, dues 120 members, National Treasurer, for 100 annual leaflets.....	.75
Dues for 1,850 Ws.....	184.00
Dues for 49 Ys.....	4.90
Dues for 120 L. T. Ls.....	6.00
To Central Passenger Association.....	11.00
Total.....	\$1,169.96
Balance.....	494.89

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE MESSAGE.

RECEIPTS.

December.....	\$234.25
March.....	267.75
June.....	228.25
September.....	441.25
From Superintendent of Franchise on last year's supplement.....	1.00
From Supt Non-Alcoholic Medication, supplement for February.....	22.84
From Secretary L. T. L., supplement for July.....	16.32
Total receipts.....	\$1,211.56

DISBURSEMENTS

Editor's appropriation.....	\$75.00
Stamps, 'phone and telegrams for editor.....	6.01
For printing and mailing the MESSAGE 12 months.....	638.41
Cuts for the National Convention number.....	4.12
Indianapolis postoffice for pound postage.....	23.36
Total expenditures.....	\$746.90
Balance.....	\$464.66

BLACKFORD COUNTY CONVENTION HELD IN M. E. CHURCH, ROLL, SEPTEMBER 22 TO 23.

Thursday evening Superintendent Lillie Palmer gave a Matrons' Gold Medal Contest. The opening prayer by our County President, Mrs. Stahl, showed strength in thought diction and spiritual power and was animated and inspired. Her constant admonition is to be loyal to God and never attempt to accomplish any work without reading His word and asking His guidance and blessing. There were six solid prohibition recitations; five were contestants. The superiority of all the selections and splendid delivery made the grade run close. Mrs. Nannie Fink won the medal. Mrs. Palmer is an energetic worker and reports twenty contests held the past year. Friday morning a devotional service of benefit to all was opened by Mrs. Stahl and followed by Mrs. Shannon of Montpelier. The temperance ladies are too brave to be daunted by rain (they like water) and despite the rain and clouds the various Unions of Blackford County were well represented and they brought sunshine in their hearts and faces that inspired courage to all.

The business meeting was helpful and in perfect harmony. Conclusions were reached which will be of benefit to the uplifting of our fellow men and the enlargement of the kingdom of God. Blackford County has one hundred and sixty-one paid up members. We dare not ask time to enumerate the many good works done. The excellent record is kept above. These women know self-denial is the first law of discipleship.

The fidelity and christian energy of both Mrs. Stahl and Mrs. Willes, of Hartford City, is too deeply appreciated to allow the votes to be of any uncertain proportions and with Mrs. Stahl as President and Mrs. Willes as Vice-President the coming year promises to be the most successful one Blackford County has known. We look forward with awakened interest for greater activity and a fixed purpose to act with the best interest of temperance in view. Mrs. Stanley, State Vice-President, received a royal welcome Friday afternoon and she immediately went to work as leader and determined a large number of questions of great importance in our Unions. She lectured Friday evening to a full house and although only a woman, she knows how to put essential, political, christian principles in striking phrase. Her familiarity with political questions and her judicial summing up of probabilities and possibilities made the address instructive and convincing. She held the attention of Republicans and Democrats as well as Prohi's by an array of facts as to conditions, causes, effects and needed changes. Some incidents related brought tears to the eyes of rugged men. Her inspiring power is marvelous. She is aggressive and brilliant and in every way demonstrated her fitness for her work. The Cradle Roll Service beautifully portrayed her Christ-like tenderness and solicitudes. The mingled simplicity, love and guardianship suggested the Scripture: "Suffer little children to come unto Me and forbid them not, for such is the Kingdom of Heaven." The pathos, sympathy and propriety of her prayers and hymns were soul inspiring when we catch the spiritual under-tones of her noble service. A noteworthy feature was the Roll Quartette, which voiced Prohibition with no uncertain sound. The ladies of Roll Union served a royal feast for their visitors and temporal as well as spiritual blessings were in abundance.

All pronounce the convention a decided success and that an excellent record is made. Yet we will not let the splendid achievements of the past lull us into a sense of security. We realize there is an enemy that never sleeps and we must be as alert and wide awake as our enemy (the liquor traffic) if we hope to thwart its designs. Every friend of personal liberty will help us. The Christian element will support our efforts by their ballots. MARY B. DUNLAP.

The Philadelphia County Woman's Christian Temperance Union will entertain during the National Convention the members of the Executive Committee and all duly accredited delegates. The entertainment will commence Monday evening, November 28, and close with breakfast Monday, December 5. It will consist of lodging and breakfast each day, and three meals on the Sabbath. Chairman of committee on hotels and boarding for visitors Miss H. Frances Jones, 812 North 20th st., Philadelphia, Pa.

STATE CONVENTION NOTES.

There were 252 voting delegates present.

Miss Sears held a Y. Conference that was most helpful to the young women.

The Mothers' Meeting, held by Mrs. Stahl, was most interesting and largely attended..

A most interesting meeting was held by Mrs. Scott and others in the county jail on Sunday.

Mrs. Jennie Bates, for years President of Morgan County, but now of Washington City, was present.

Baby Gordon Willard Holler, of South Bend, was made an honorary member of the Convention.

Letters of sympathy were sent to the following: Mrs. Ruth Drusilla Wilson, Mrs. Ada B. Leck, Mrs. Caroline Edgerton, Mrs. Frances Boyer, Mrs. Hazel Works. A letter of greeting was sent to Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, our former State President.

Mrs. Mix held an L. T. L. conference and urged our women to be more diligent in work for the boys and girls.

Dr. Homer J. Hall and Master Willard Hall, of Franklin, and F. T. McWhirter, of Indianapolis were in attendance on Sunday.

A Gospel Meeting was held by some of our ladies on Sunday evening in the big dining hall, with the Lutheran Church ladies, who served meals.

The Evangelistic Services held every morning during the convention were of unusual interest. The attendance was large and a deep spirituality pervaded the convention.

The department of Non-Alcoholic Medication should be thoroughly studied and literature distributed now, during the early part of the winter, if we will expect favorable legislative action this coming year.

The next State convention will be held in Brazil. The Unions in the western part of the State will no doubt work vigorously during the year for an increased membership and help to make the Brazil convention a great success.

Miss Addie Austin, of Chicago, was present, representing Miss Ruby F. Gilbert's Temperance Publishing House, which was purchased out of the old W. T. P. A. and is endorsed by our national officers and the National Convention.

The Superintendents of Departments will not hold a mid-year meeting this year. The officers of the Board of Superintendents are: President, Mrs. Gertrude Fulton; Secretary, Miss Laura Cammack; Treasurer, Mrs. Julia Overman.

Five complete temperance scrap books were sent in by the superintendents of Marion, Grant and Delaware counties and from Greencastle, some of which will be sent to the National Convention. Some of these books are very large and complete, showing that much space has been given to our work by the newspaper editors.

Never in the history of the State work have the delegates remained in such numbers until the formal adjournment, which was at noon on the fifth day. The entire convention joined hands and made a complete circle from the platform around through the aisles and sang, God be with You Till We Meet Again, Mrs. Wheeler leading. The benediction was pronounced by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley.

Mrs. Ames, of Boston, who is a prominent worker in National W. C. T. U. circles, and favors a movement for universal peace, repeated the statement made some time ago that the battleship Oregon cost more than Harvard University and all the buildings connected with the institution. A resolution was passed urging purity in municipal government and a better administration of the laws of the State and the nation.

A large picture of Miss Frances E. Willard, beautifully framed, was presented to the Columbus city library by the convention. The committee on purchase and presentation was Mrs. Lou Rall, of Huntington, and Mrs. C. E. Fassnacht, of South Bend. The presentation was made at the last session of the convention by Mrs. Rall to Superintendent Fitzgibbon, of the public schools, who responded in a very appropriate and appreciative manner.

BRIEF NOTES.

Little Elizabeth Willard Riley, of the Greencastle Cradle Roll, has joined the Cradle Roll of Heaven. When baptized she wore a tiny bow of white ribbon and she wore the same little bow as she lay in a bed of flowers.

Mrs. Ada B. Leck, of Indianapolis, for several years President of Marion County, has been very ill. For weeks great anxiety concerning her recovery has been felt by her family and friends. At the present writing she is slowly regaining her health.

The Greencastle L. T. L. membership contest resulted in increasing the total membership to 85. Lenore Webb has done most excellent work and much of the credit of this gain is due her. Notwithstanding she has heavy work in High School she is ever planning and working for the Legion.

Mrs. J. A. Gilmore, of Bloomington, has donated a library of 50 volumes of books to the three graded schools of that city. The library contains valuable treatises on economics, histories and political science and are a great addition to the library now found in the schools.

Mrs. Mary Bowers Dunlop, of Montpelier, writes: I have sent out in five months 5,175 pages of literature, written to 17 ministers, secured 16 signers to the Pure Literature pledge, delivered three speeches, spoke in one contest and reported to four papers. I do all my own work and wait on a mother past 82 years old. I feel my time to work may be short. He says, "Behold, I come quickly."

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, State Vice-President, writes: I have given 217 addresses in Indiana this year, 11 in Ohio and 5 in Tennessee. I got 166 new members, 42 of whom paid dues when they gave names or at time of first meeting and I trust others have done so. I am asked to go to Lancaster, Penn., for one week enroute to the National and if my mother's health will permit I shall be glad to do this. I go to Morgan County to-morrow for three days, Jay County the 6th, Wabash the 11th, Randolph 14th, Muncie 17th. I shall make no other dates up to the State convention.

Porter County Convention was held September 28 in the U. P. church in Hebron. All the county officers were present and gave very encouraging reports of their work. The church was well filled at the p. m. session with town people, showing interest in the temperance cause. The same officers were unanimously elected to serve another year. Mrs. Frink, our able County President, lectured in the evening to a crowded house on the subject of Woman's Work in the W. C. T. U., as a rescue from vice and intemperance.

The Trafalgar Union gave a silver medal contest at Providence, Saturday evening, Oct. 8, 1904. There were seven contestants. Miss Mabel Feaster received the medal Saturday evening and Miss Sallie Jolliffe, the young lady who won the medal at Trafalgar, Sept. 10, and also the gold medal at Franklin, Sept. 24, gave her selection while the decision of the judges was being made.

Mrs. W. Welling entertained Meridian Union on the afternoon of October 5. Our new President, Mrs. Mary A. Sims, presided. After discussing our winter plans and listening to stirring reports from several of our department Superintendents, Mrs. Currier stepped forward and presented a beautiful souvenir temperance spoon to our much loved Mrs. Martha A. Gipe, who has been chosen to be President of Marion County. A pleasant social hour followed, giving us a delightful opportunity to greet each other after our summer outings.

LaPorte Union held its annual meeting Sept. 15. There was a good attendance and a very interesting meeting. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Seth Pease, Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mary Ball, Treasurer, Mrs. John Harmon. Sept. 22, 10 members of this Union met with the Waterford Union in their tidy little M. E. church, where the county convention was being held. Everything was pleasant and harmonious. Oct. 13 a parlor meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Rachel Bowers, which was profitable and instructive.

Howard County Convention was held at West Middleton, September 29 and 30. Recording Secretary Mrs. Cammack-Gibson gave a fine lecture to a good audience Thursday evening, her subject being, "Five Little Boys in Knee Pants." The young ladies of West Middleton furnished excellent music. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Rosa Hillis; Vice-President, Mrs. Lydia Greenstreet; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Dora Johnson; Recording Secretary, Miss Amanda Turner; Treasurer, Mrs. Ida Mix; Y. Secretary, Miss Blanche Shockney; L. T. L. Secretary, Miss Edith Hillis.

Fredericksburg, Willard Union, met at the home of the President, Mrs. Nannie A. Sieg, Sept. 14, and elected officers for coming year as follows: Mrs. Ella Mitton, President, Mrs. Florence Gresham, Vice-President, Mrs. Willa A. Royse, Secretary, Miss Fleda Royse, Treasurer Departments of work and Superintendent as follows: Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Martha Spigler, Evangelistic, Mrs. Willa A. Royse, Flower Mission, Miss Gertrude Mitton, Sunday School Work, Mrs. M. L. Hancock, Scientific Temperance, Miss Carey Fouts, Non-Alcoholic Medication, Mrs. Ella Mitton, Law and Statistics, Mrs. Anna Dewees, President. Our Union, though small, entered this year with a determination to do better work than the year past. On Sept. 20, the members of the Union at Fredericksburg met at the home of their former President, Mrs. Nannie A. Sieg, to show their appreciation of her work among us and gave her a surprise reception, which consisted of music by the young people and refreshments consisting of iced lemon tea cake and fruits. The evening was enjoyed by both young and old and was indeed a surprise to Mrs. Sieg.

The October meeting of the Indianapolis Mapleton Union was a mothers' meeting and was held at the country home of Mrs. Mary D. Clark. The large double parlors were well filled. Many were there who had never been in a W. C. T. U. meeting and expressed themselves as greatly pleased. The subject of the meeting was Purity, and was well presented by all on the program. Miss Kate Price presented the subject, Formation Better Than Reformation; Rev. Eunice Furnace, The City Dives and Pitfalls for Girls; Mrs. Gipe, County Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, The Duties of Mothers in Training Their Children. Interesting discussions followed the presentation of each subject. Excellent music and solos were furnished by Mrs. Carmi Williams, Miss Bookwalter and little Miss McElwaine. Light refreshments and a social hour followed. The meeting was thoroughly enjoyed by every one. The November meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Ella M. King, 122 East 33d street. Mrs. Anna Buchanan, former police matron of Indianapolis, will present the subject of Jail and Prison Work. Mrs. Frances Potter will present The Door of Hope and Rescue Work. Good music will be furnished.

Marion County News Items.—The Marion County Annual Convention was held in the Southside Baptist Church in Indianapolis, September 20 and 21. Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, Vice-President of the County, presided, as Miss Ada B. Leck, County President, was too ill to attend the convention. Presidents of local Unions and County Department Superintendents gave written reports of their work for the past

year. Three Unions reported a gain in membership. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Martha Gipe; Vice-President, Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Nina Brigham; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth Smith; Treasurer, Mrs. Lizzie Heath; Y. Secretary, Mrs. Lillian Sedwick; L. T. L. Secretary, Miss Frances Metz; Central Committee, Mrs. Ada B. Leck; Mrs. Mary Tarlton, Mrs. Alice Baxter, with county officers. The officers of the Board of Department Superintendents are: Mrs. Gertrude Morrow, President; Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, Secretary; Mrs. Frances Metz, Treasurer. Mrs. Charlton Edholm lectured on the "Traffic in Girls and Rescue Mission" during the afternoon of the second day. Her earnestness is very convincing and much favorable sentiment in her work has been created by the lectures she has given in this city. A gold medal oratorical contest was given upon the first night of the convention under the direction of Mrs. Carrie Quinn, County Superintendent of this department. Mrs. Florence Wesner won the medal. The Alliance Quartet furnished the music. Judge Stubbs, of the Indianapolis Juvenile Court, lectured the second evening of the convention. His subject was, The Effect of Cigarette Smoking on Boys. He hopes a stronger law will be passed by the next Legislature. The cigarette smoking boy is the only boy who cannot be reformed. He will lie and is dishonest; his promises of reform are not to be relied upon; moral suasion has no effect upon him. The Judge says that the desolation and abomination predicted by Daniel will surely overtake this country if this influence, which is demoralizing and degenerating over two-thirds of the youth of our land, is not checked. He told of the increase in this habit during the last ten years, and of the lives it has wrecked.

Marion County is planning to bring Mrs. Ida Cole, national lecturer on Narcotics, to Indianapolis and vicinity during November.

The ministers in each church in Indianapolis are to be requested to preach a temperance sermon on World's Temperance Sunday, November 22, and each Sunday-school superintendent will be asked to give a temperance talk and show the pledge cards, asking the children to sign them. E. G. SMITH, 1917 Highland Place.

Dearborn County convention convened at Dillsboro, Sept. 29, 1904, at 10:30 a. m. in the Presbyterian church. Meeting was opened in the usual way by County President, Mrs. C. M. Koreoft, of Homestead. Report of County Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary was read and accepted by convention. Next, report of President in convention with the acceptance of the same. A vote of thanks was tendered our County President. There being several officers absent, the President called for brief reports from different Unions. Mrs. Rynearson, of Moore's Hill, gave an interesting talk, followed by Mrs. R. A. Perlee, of Dillsboro, the theme of her talk being mostly in regard to the Remonstrance which they carried so successfully in the past by which they earned the title of the little fighting band, followed by an interesting talk by Mrs. Sarah Evans, of Cold Springs. The noon hour having arrived, we were dismissed by Rev. C. T. White. A sumptuous dinner was partaken of at the Ginties House. Afternoon session convened at 1:30 p. m. in the M. E. church, County President in the chair. The opening services consisted of devotional exercises conducted by County Evangelist, Mrs. Margaret Stout, of Dillsboro. Following this was the election of officers. President, Mrs. T. Rynearson, Moore's Hill, Corresponding Secretary, Miss L. W. Perlee, Dillsboro, Recording Secretary, Mrs. George Wenke, Lawrenceburg, Treasurer, Mrs. R. A. Perlee, Dillsboro. Mrs. Evans, of Lawrenceburg, was now requested to give report of jail and prison work, of which the most interesting feature was true conversion of five precious souls during the past year in the Lawrenceburg jail, in which meetings are held every Sabbath afternoon. Next followed a talk by Mrs. Rynearson on department work in general. County Press Superintendent, Mrs. Kate P. Libbett gave her report, who finds the Press more favorable to us than in the past and urges all Local Superintendents to be prompt in filling out and returning reports. Afternoon session was then adjourned. The Executive Committee was called for the purpose of electing County Superintendent, which was as follows: L. T. L., Mrs. Jennie Ward, Guilford; Contests, Miss Silvia Sims, Moore's Hill; Non-Narcotic, Miss Blanch Ginties, Dillsboro; Non-Alcoholic Medication, Mrs. F. M. Coffield, Lawrenceburg; Suffrage, Miss Hattie Cottenham, Bright; Press, Mrs. Kate P. Libbett, Dillsboro; Sabbath Observance, Miss L. Liddell Bright; Fair Work, Mrs. E. E. Walker, Dillsboro; Literature, Mrs. Lucy Smith, Moore's Hill; Sunday School, Miss Eva Wenzel, Cold Springs; Scientific Temperance Instruction, Miss Alta Hansell, Guilford; Jail and Prison Work, Mrs. J. M. Evans, Lawrenceburg; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. C. Ketchum, Moore's Hill; Evangelistic Work, Mrs. J. M. Evans, Lawrenceburg. A gold medal Oratorical Contest was held in the M. E. church in the evening. There were four contestants, Miss Leonie Robinson, Moore's Hill, No. 1; Alfred Smith, Moore's Hill, No. 2; Lucy Ginties, Dillsboro, No. 3; Kate Adams, No. 4, who was awarded the gold medal by the judges and was presented with a few appropriate remarks by County President; dismissed by Rev. F. C. White. County Superintendent of Press, Mrs. Kate P. Libbett, Dillsboro, Ind.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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THE DANGERS OF ALCOHOL IN FRANCE.

Posted in every election precinct of France is a placard three by four feet in size, with the above head-line. One delegate to the World's W. C. T. U. convention says, "We found these posters in the entrance halls to public buildings; riding through the streets of Paris we saw them everywhere. Knowing what a commotion would be created in our own country by such an attack upon the liquor traffic, we thought it must have produced a great sensation in France. And it did. It made alcoholism a subject of discussion in every village and hamlet. Men engaged in the liquor traffic brought suits for damages against the government officials who signed the statement, and promptly printed and posted a defence of the use and traffic in liquors."

The "Dangers of Alcohol" were put up by the government under official signature! Translated, we find sentences like the following:

"Alcoholism is the chronic poisoning which results from the habitual use of alcohol, even if the same does not produce drunkenness. It is an error to say that alcohol is necessary to working men who devote themselves to hard labor; that it gives zeal to work or that it repairs the strength. The artificial stimulation which it produces quickly makes a place for nervous depression and weakness. In reality alcohol is useful to no one; it is detrimental to everybody. The man who drinks each day an immoderate quantity of wine, cider or beer becomes just as surely drunken as one who drinks brandy."

"The habit of family drinking leads to family discord, forgetfulness of all social duties, hatred of work; it promotes misery, robbery and crime. Drinking habits in parents injuriously affect their children; if they live beyond the first few months they are in danger of idiocy and epilepsy. For the health of the individual, for the existence of the family, for the future of the country alcoholism is one of the most terrible of scourges." Signed by the Prefect of the Seine, and the Director of the General Administration of Public Aid.

In a private letter G. Mesureur says: "I can truthfully say that the placard has met with grand success on all sides. A great number of public administrations, benevolent societies, mutual benefit societies of all kinds in France, and also of other countries, have written asking about it. The 20,000 copies which were first printed disappeared rapidly and a new edition is being issued."

Think of it, fellow workers! In wine-ridden France such temperance sentiments as these posted all over the country!

To catch the public eye is a means of reaching the public conscience. It is evident the liquor traffic believes this, for who has not had his indignation aroused when riding through the country with "Wilson Whisky—that's all," "Harvard Beer" and like signs to attract the craving created by alcohol?

Keep stirring up sentiment and the time will come when the public will arouse to the issue and wipe out this dreadful curse.

The employment by the National Liquor Dealers' Association of ex U. S. Senator Thurston as their attorney to appear before committees of Congress in behalf of all measures affecting the liquor traffic and the raising of \$5,000,000 show that they mean business and are alarmed at the outlook. With them, millions are at stake. The rapid growth of the local option movement in all the Southern States may well cause consternation among the liquor men. In Arkansas during 1902, 53 out of 75 counties, declared against licensing saloons; in Georgia 103 out of 137; in Kentucky out of 119 counties, 47 have entire, and 54 partial prohibition; in Mississippi 65 out of 75; in Tennessee, 84 out of 96; North Carolina prohibits the traffic except in incorporated towns which vote for it. There is not a Southern State in which the anti-liquor tide is not rising.—*National Advocate*.

THE DARK SIDE OF MORMONISM.

That the agitation on the Mormon question aroused by the protests of the W. C. T. U. and other reform societies against the seating of senator-elect Reed Smoot would be suppressed during the presidential campaign, was a foregone conclusion when the committee adjourned last spring. But this fact did not deter those directly interested in the prosecution of the case from carrying on an independent investigation, which now promises to be productive of much more damaging testimony than that already introduced.

A correspondent who has traveled extensively through Mormon territory in Idaho and Wyoming, writes from Salt Lake City under date of October 11, as follows:

"The condition which I described in my letter from Victor fades into insignificance when compared

to the conditions through the South. There the laws of neither God nor man, nor the ordinary rules of cleanliness or decency obtain. Everybody has wives to spare, some to trade, and all have children to burn or waste, as is generally the case. Their killing is not murder and murder not crime and the personal relations of men and women, and often children, are too vile to describe. There is one case where a man has married his own half sister; another, where a man has traded his plural wife for forty beaver skins, from which I judge that she was a fairly valuable article, as also another woman, who was traded for a mule team.

"The whole trip, especially the latter end around Star Valley, Wyoming, was utterly sickening in the evidence unearthed. Much of it, of course, it is absolutely impossible to bring before the Senate Committee, even more of it is impossible for use for platform purposes or even the newspapers. The very safeguard of these people is the grossness and villainess of their actions."

"I cannot conceive of a condition more utterly debasing and more certain to result in utter physical, mental and moral degeneration than that which exists in that neighborhood. The rule of the Mormon priesthood, such as it is, is absolute. I find the State President to be a polygamist and a member of the Senate of the State of Wyoming. I shall do my best to procure his removal from that body. We may not be Warwicks and king makers, but with our little hammers and axes, to say nothing about the more delicate weapon of the pen, we have been able in the past to achieve much in the direction of unmaking some of these members of a hierarchy."

The Senate Committee, which is charged with the prosecution of the Smoot investigation, will hold its next meeting in Salt Lake City, some time after the opening of Congress.—*Union Signal*.

In an article to the *Western Christian Advocate* Rev. John Parsons, D. D., of Skagway, Alaska, says: In Treadwell, Alaska, the battle between business and beer is waged. One aspect of the battle is the refusal of the mining company to permit a saloon in Treadwell, and the other is a Young Men's Christian Association, which every man is taxed to support. The plant of the Association, valued at \$20,000, was burned down a few weeks ago, but the trustees are getting ready to rebuild. As a business proposition it was found profitable to suppress the saloon and support the Association. This is a straw which tells the way the wind blows.

WHERE INTOXICATING LIQUORS CAN BE SOLD UNDER THE LICENSE.

"All persons holding license issued under the law of the State of Indiana authorizing the sale of spirituous, vinous, malt and other intoxicating liquors in less quantities than a quart at a time, shall provide for the sale of such liquors in a room separate from any other business of any kind, and no devices for amusement or music of any kind or character, or partitions of any kind shall be permitted in such room: Provided, That nothing in the provisions of this act shall be construed to forbid the sale of cigars and tobacco in such place of business. And provided further, That if such applicant for license desires to carry on any other or different business, he shall state the same in his application for license, and the same may be granted or refused by the board of commissioners hearing such application, and such permission shall be stated in the license if granted." (R. S. 1901, Sec. 7283b.)

"Any room where spirituous, vinous, malt or other intoxicating liquors are sold by virtue of a license under the laws of the State of Indiana shall be so arranged that the same may be securely closed and locked and admission thereto prevented, and the same shall be securely locked and all persons excluded therefrom on all days and hours upon which the sale of such liquors is prohibited by law."

"It is hereby made unlawful for the proprietor of such place and business herein contemplated of selling intoxicating liquors, to permit any person or persons other than himself and family to go into such room and place where intoxicating liquors are so sold upon such days and hours when the sale of such liquors is prohibited by law. The fact that any person or persons are permitted to be in, or go in or out of such room upon any day or hour when the sales of such liquors are prohibited by law, shall be *prima facie* evidence of guilt upon trial of a cause charging the proprietor of such room with violating the law in the sale of such liquors upon such days or hours." (R. S. 1901, Sec. 7283c.)

LOCATION OF ROOMS—UNOBSTRUCTED VIEW.

"Any room where intoxicating liquors are sold by virtue of a license issued under the law of the State of Indiana, for the sale of spirituous, vinous, malt or

other intoxicating liquors in less quantities than a quart at a time, with permission to drink the same upon the premises, shall be situated upon the ground floor or basement of the building where the same are sold, and in a room fronting the street or highway upon which such building is situated, and said room shall be so arranged, either with window or glass door, as that the whole of said room may be in view from the street or highway, and no blinds, screens or obstructions to the view shall be arranged, erected or placed so as to prevent the entire view of said room from the street or highway upon which the same is situated during such days and hours when the sales of such liquors are prohibited by law. Upon conviction for the violation of this or either of the foregoing sections of this act the defendant shall be fined in any sum not less than \$10 nor more than \$100, to which may be added imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding ninety days, and in case of the conviction for the second offense, either upon a plea of guilty or conviction upon trial thereof, in any circuit, superior, criminal, justice or police court of Indiana, as a part of the judgment the court may make an order revoking the license of the person convicted, which said judgment shall have the effect to completely annul and set aside such license and all privileges and rights under the same, and upon the third conviction or plea of guilty entered, the court rendering judgment thereon shall annul and set aside such license and all privileges and rights under the same." (R. S. 1901, Sec. 7283d.)

ALCOHOLIC DRINKS—TEACHING EFFECTS OF IN SCHOOLS.

"That the nature of alcoholic drinks and narcotics and their effect on the human system in connection with the subjects of physiology and hygiene, shall be included in the branches to be regularly taught in the common schools of the State and in all educational institutions supported wholly or in part by money received from the State; and it shall be the duty of the boards of education and boards of such educational institutions, the township trustees, the board of school trustees of the several cities and towns in this State, to make provisions for such instruction in the schools and institutions under their jurisdiction and to adopt such methods as shall adapt the same to the capacity of the pupils in the various grades therein, but it shall be deemed a sufficient compliance with the requirements of this section if provision be made for such instruction orally only, and without the use of text-books by the people." R. S. 1901, Sec. 5984a.)

"No certificate shall be granted to any person (on) or after the first day of July, 1895, to teach in the common school or in any educational institution supported as aforesaid who does not pass a satisfactory examination as to the nature of alcoholic drinks and narcotics and their effects upon the human system." (R. S. 1901, Sec. 5984b.)

"Any superintendent or principal of or teacher in any common school or educational institution supported as aforesaid who wilfully refuses or neglects to give the instruction required by this act shall be dismissed from his or her employment." (R. S. 1901, Sec. 5984c.)

KEEPING GAMING HOUSES.

"Whoever keeps a building, room, garden, arbor, booth, shed, tenement, or canal-boat, wharf boat, or other water craft, to be used or occupied for gaming; or knowingly permits the same to be used or occupied for gaming; or whoever, being the owner of any building, room, arbor, garden, booth, shed, tenement, or canal-boat, wharf-boat, or other water craft, rents the same to be used or occupied for gaming—shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars nor less than ten dollars." (R. S. 1901, Sec. 2173.)

Permitting gambling on the grounds of any county fair, agricultural society or joint stock association, organized under the laws of this State, is forbidden. Any officer or officers who shall violate any of the provisions of this act shall upon conviction be fined not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars. (R. S. 1901, Sec. 2174.)

KEEPING DEVICES FOR GAMING.

"Whoever keeps or exhibits for gain, or to win or gain money or other property, any gaming table, Jenny Lind table, roulette, shuffle-board, faro or keno bank, nine-pin, or ten-pin alley, wheel of fortune, or any gambling apparatus, device, table or machine of any kind or description, under any denomination or name whatever, or keeps or exhibits any billiard table, bagatelle table, pigeon-hole table, or pool table, for the purpose of betting or gaming, or allows the same to be used for any such purpose, shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars nor less than twenty-five dollars, to which may be added imprisonment in the county jail not more than six months nor less than thirty days." (R. S. 1901, Sec. 2181.)

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The Supplement this month is contributed and edited by Mrs. Lou E. Rall, our energetic, faithful State Superintendent of the Mercy Department. Every subscriber will, I am sure, carefully save the supplement for future reference.

Local Unions—Now is the time to have Executive Committee meetings to lay broad plans for the year's work. Do not let the holiday season find this work undone. You cannot afford to do that. The enemy will reap a great harvest during our blessed Christmas time. Let us do what we can to thwart him.

Distribute Leaflets—District your town or city, secure the aid of the young people and give a leaflet into every home. Previous to the distribution ask the ministers to preach upon the subject of the leaflet to be distributed on the Sunday following the distribution. The result would be most helpful to the W. C. T. U. in all its branches.

Wear the tiny white bow. If you really mean for your life to be a protest against the saloon wear your little bow so that the stranger who meets you may know of your convictions. Indianapolis women who belong to the W. C. T. U., wear your white ribbon bow or get a tiny little enamel bow. Do not let the sight of a white ribbon be so scarce on our streets and in our church pews.

For consultation regarding the enforcement of laws pertaining to liquor selling, use of slot machines, minors in pool rooms, etc., the W. C. T. U. should invite the ministers and other prominent Christians and business men to meet some evening. Arrange to have this meeting in a prominent home, centrally located, and serve refreshments while the conditions and plans are being discussed. Only good will thus be accomplished.

Are the Liquor laws obeyed in your community? If not, secure a meeting of a few consecrated Christian workers, including the ministers and others who are practical business men, and talk over what can be done, and then proceed to do something. If the men do not help, go ahead and do the work yourselves. Read the liquor laws—read the duties of officers of the law—if necessary, have some of these things printed on hand bills and distributed into every home. See what a stir that will make. Then be ready with your plans for definite action. The taxpayers have a right to demand the enforcement of law by the officers who are paid for such service.

Every Union should this month make out a list of persons to whom some member will apply early in December for the pledge of an annual contribution. Merchants and individuals expect to contribute from one to ten dollars per year to the free kindergartens, orphans' homes, etc. They do so annually. Now is the time to approach them and ask for a contribution to the W. C. T. U. Secure as large donations as possible with which to carry on your work. The men of the United States make the laws which govern us. Through their legislation the saloon has become a part of our financial world. It takes our money, our boys, our men and our women, too. It ruins all and leaves us helpless. To antagonize this monster is our business, to kill its influence our privilege. To that end let us work. We need money. Make constant appeals for money, and when you get it use it wisely and you will continue to receive gifts and the help of influence.

The influence of our splendid State Convention will be felt in every Union whose delegates caught the inspiration of advancement. This year we have set our aim at an increase, over and above all losses, of one thousand new members. To make this gain of paid regular members, besides the honorary members, will mean a gain in every Union. This can be done. Every Union can do aggressive work. To do efficient, good work, the membership of the Union must be loyal to the county, State and National organizations, as well as confident in the ultimate success of our cause. The discouraged woman as to the final outcome is the woman who is not well informed upon the mighty work of the W. C. T. U. Such a woman, although possessed of splendid capabilities, is not suitable for any kind of an office. In a certain town in Indiana such a woman almost wrecked the Union. For several years she urged local temperance work, without W. C. T. U. organization. This sister believed that the W. C. T. U. had then outlived its day of usefulness. The Union workers fell out—the work went to a low tide—just a few of the faithful kept the fires burning—new courage came through the strong faith and prayers of a few—aggressive work was made possible by the energy and sacrifice of a few—the membership increased, and increased, until to-day a large majority of the Christian workers of the entire community are members of that Union.

THE PRESS.

Since it is ours to work together for another year in this very important department, let us enter upon the duties and privileges with a prayer, a hope, a determination to accomplish much during the year, and to do this we must give our best to the cause. One hope of mine is that during this year more papers in the State will be furnished with items, notices, reports, etc., of our work than ever has been known before and to that end I would ask that each County Superintendent see that each Union in her county has a capable, winsome woman as Press Superintendent, and that they shall work together to have our work presented in some form through every paper in that county. Of course this will take time and work and prayer, but it can be done and God will honor the effort and bless the results.

Arrange with as many papers in your county as possible for a column or half a column, which is to be used by you in presenting our work, and dear ones, when that space is granted you, don't fail to use it.

Advertise your meetings well and then after the meeting write a nice report of the same. Tell who the speakers were, the subjects discussed, etc. Watch the MESSAGE and Union Signal for items of interest and use them and in that way let the people know what is being done in other places. Get the people so interested that they will want to join us and be a part of our grand organization. Then let the County and Local Superintendents cooperate in holding Press meetings, one a quarter, or at least two during the year. You will find these meetings not only very interesting, but very helpful and they should be held in every county.

In counties where there is no County Press Superintendent the Local Superintendents can work together and carry on the work very nicely. In such counties I will ask the Superintendents to please send me their names and addresses, so that I may send the blanks to them. And now may I suggest a plan for keeping an account of your work? Take a small note book and on separate pages write the words, Items, Notices, Reports, etc. and each time you send or take an article of any kind to the paper make a note of it and at the end of the quarter it will take but a few minutes to make out your report.

I wish that each Press Superintendent in the State could have seen the beautiful and complete scrap-books which were made by some of our splendid women the past year and taken to the State Convention. Some of them will go to the National Convention. They were the result of much earnest, careful work, but what a splendid way to keep the clippings for future reference. Save your clippings and later on we will determine what we will do with them. The Press Leaflets which will be helpful to you in the work, I will be glad to send to any one who will send their name and address. Our report for last year showed a nice gain over former years and was most encouraging. I will not send out blanks until March, 1905, so please keep a careful record of your work and have a good report at that time. Let us work together, dear ones, in making this a banner year in this most important department. Let us enter every open door and do our best for the cause which is so dear to our hearts.

LAURA G. CAMMACK,
Converse, Ind. State Superintendent.

ANTI-NARCOTICS.

"I want you to know what one city has done and is still doing in our department and then I want you to think seriously, and I believe you will say what one city can do, is possible for another, and if each city in Indiana does as well, the traffic in our boys will soon be under control, if not entirely wiped out." This is taken from a letter written to me by Mrs. A. A. Brookbank, President of a Local Union in Jeffersonville, Indiana. Early in the year the Superintendent of Narcotics called a meeting of the Ministers' Club and Miss Loomis, Superintendent of the Jeffersonville Anti-Cigarette League, to the home of Mrs. Martha Sparks. The object of this meeting was co-operation and the formulation of plans for the en-

forcement of the tobacco law. Soon after, the Narcotic Superintendent asked the editors of the daily papers to print the tobacco law, also an article upon the effect of tobacco upon growing children. This they kindly consented to do. We cut these articles from the papers, placing them on petition papers, written by the present mayor of our city. After getting signatures, these petitions were given the Prosecuting Attorney and the Commissioners, asking that the tobacco law be enforced. Placards with the law were placed in all the school rooms, Protestant and Catholic, white and colored and in all places where it was thought they might do good; pledges were placed in each school room; 568 children signed the pledge; 130 yards of white ribbon was used to place a bow on each one who signed. One Union prayer meeting was held, the subject being Anti-Narcotics. Last Sunday afternoon, November 14, at the First Presbyterian church, a children's meeting was held preparatory to organizing a League. On Tuesday, September 6, an Anti-Cigarette League was organized with a membership of 63. Three talks were given last year on this subject. This year one of our pastors preached two sermons in the colored church before we organized our League. Superintendent, Mrs. F. Brookbank; Associates, Mrs. Whittaker, Mrs. Waybright, Rev. Butler, Mr. St. Clair. I would add that Mrs. Brookbank says that never was the temperance movement so strong; that 90 new members were gained for the Union with prospects of a good year. Do you think it pays? E. G. SMITH.

FRANCHISE.

When at the Hartford City convention I again accepted the superintendency of the Franchise work of Indiana I did not foresee that I would be called to other fields of endeavor almost as soon as I began to set my plans in motion. I assumed the troubles and labors of associate editor of a morning newspaper daily and as such spent my nights by the electric light chronicling the doings of my town folk, which you can readily see left me little or no time to give to the department—and not the physical strength, nor mental. There is a limit to the amount of work one can press into a given time.

Despite this and my great disappointment at my inability to do the work I had planned, I am glad to note an increase in interest, as reports show more work done this year throughout the State. Petitions sent to the mid-year executive were unfortunately mixed and only those to the Senate distributed and the names of those receiving these were not kept so as to remedy the error. I was greatly disappointed in not being able to secure the entire list of twenty-five subscribers to the *Woman's Journal*, as by this I had hoped to pay for a Franchise Issue to the MESSAGE. But this is no time for vain regrets. What I wish to do is to say goodbye to the many kindly friends I have made during my incumbency in the superintendency and ask you to renew your courage. I should feel it keenly had I discouraged any, in any way, with the work. It is a glorious cause and one that must win, but a long pull and a strong pull and by all together must be given before it can prevail. Let us not lose heart. You have a new superintendent whose ability and zeal should meet a ready response from you all. Write to her; encourage her. Hoping I may continue in your favor and remembrance. PEARL RALL.

Huntington, Ind.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Since our State Convention in June, your Corresponding Secretary, as well as myself, have been sending out letters to every County Secretary in the State and we have had a few replies. If anyone who received one of these letters and did not reply should see this, won't you please write to either Ritta Burnside, 3802 S. Washington street, Marion, or to me at Kokomo, in reply to the questions asked in the letter? I know of no other way in which to come in contact with your Legion other than to write to you. Several have sent in encouraging letters. We need faithful, persistent effort, and with it we can soon have a very strong organization in Indiana. I can not quite give up our graduates. I have some splendid ideas to offer to Senior organizations. And let me say right here that from now on I am at the command of any Legion in the State that I can reach Saturday evening for a Sunday meeting. I will go for my expenses and give you all the help I possibly can. I long to see the Senior work advance in Indiana. Remember that our watchword for this year is organization. We must first perfect our organization. I am delighted to report that of the letters we have received, we find good organization and splendid department work. Be sure to keep your senior and junior reports separated, take two reports each month, so that you can send the senior report to the State. We must have them.

Please write often to Miss Burnside and myself. We want to keep in touch with you and help you in any way we can. EDITH HILLIS,
State President.

MEDAL CONTESTS.

It is easy to pick up the pen laid down by abler and better hands, yet in assuming the duties of State Superintendent of Contest Work we feel that this has fallen to our lot. We are not unmindful of the work of our predecessor, nor shall we ever forget, or cease to hold in sacred memory the work accomplished by

THE MESSAGE.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., DECEMBER, 1904.



Please say to your White Ribboners that Miss Frances E. Willard and her assistant, Miss Gordon, have been, in the past, my very best friends and most deeply interested in the work of our Bands of Mercy, which now number nearly sixty thousand bands, with between two and three million members, whose mottoes are, "Glory to God;" "Peace on Earth;" "Kindness, Justice and Mercy to every living creature."

Yours sincerely,

GEORGE T. ANGELL.

President of the American Humane Education Society, the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and the Parent American Band of Mercy, 19 Milk Street, Boston, Mass.

A CLARION CALL.

In February, 1887, I prepared an eight-page pamphlet entitled Condensed Information, telling how to form societies for the prevention of cruelty to animals and Bands of Mercy, what to do and how to do it, etc., etc. About twenty thousand copies of this pamphlet have been distributed during the year.

During the summer I was corresponding with Frances E. Willard, president and the leader of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, to endeavor to have them adopt in all their juvenile temperance organizations in the United States our Bands of Mercy. I was invited to address their National Convention at Nashville, Tennessee, but finding I could not go, sent to the convention four thousand copies of the address I had prepared and various other humane publications. The convention advised that Bands of Mercy be formed in all their juvenile organizations, and many have been already formed. I also petitioned the convention to have stricken out of temperance school books all suggestions of experiments on living animals. It was decided that in future editions all such suggestions should be omitted.

A kind invitation, received November 1, 1891, from Frances E. Willard, to attend the World's Congress of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, to be held in Boston from November 13 to 18, and which contains the statement that this powerful organization of two hundred and fifty thousand women had printed in the past year over a hundred millions of pages of temperance literature, led me to investigate and find that our American Humane Education Society, from November 1, 1890, to November 1, 1891, printed about one hundred and nine millions and two hundred and eighty thousand pages of humane literature, and had then printing about eight hundred thousand pages more.

More than a thousand millions of the human race, in every generation, pass through sickness and pain into the great unknown. Millions of them, during every hour of the day and night, are tortured to greater

or less extent with mental and physical suffering.

War, pestilence, drunkenness and crime bring agonies which no pencil can paint or pen describe.

The tree of cruelty, like the great Banian tree of India, has, it may be, a thousand trunks.

In the animal world millions die of contagious and other diseases which medical science has thus far failed to discover any means of preventing.

Hundreds of thousands die in transportation on our railroads and ocean steamers.

Hundreds of thousands die of cold and starvation on our great plains.

Millions die in our slaughter houses with unnecessary suffering—often standing and witnessing the slaughter of other animals, knowing as well as human beings that their turn is coming next.

The moanings of hundreds of thousands of cattle are heard every spring when deprived of their offspring.

Millions of beautiful birds are killed and wounded to supply women with ornaments, and to gratify those who find sport in killing.

To hundreds of thousands of horses life is suffering until death gives relief.

It is no fault of ours.

We are brought into this world by no choice of our own.

We must take it as we find it.

But one thing we can do, namely, try to make it happier and better both for our own generation and for those that will follow us; and one thing there is which strikes right at the roots of all cruelty, and that is humane education—humane education in all our schools and Sunday schools and homes.

I say, then, that our remedy against the lawlessness and crime now so rapidly growing in this country lies in the humane—which will be found to include also the moral—education of the children, and that

this is also the shortest road to reach the parents.

For lo! the days are hastening on,
By prophet bards foretold,
When with the ever-circling years,
Comes round the age of gold;
When peace shall over all the earth
Its ancient splendors fling,
And the whole world give back the song
That now the angels sing.

The future historian will tell his readers that the most important discovery of the nineteenth century * * * * * was the discovery of the simple fact that the tap roots of all wars and murders and cruelty and crime could be cut off by simply teaching and leading every child to seize every opportunity to say a kind word or do a kind act that should make some other human being or dumb creature happier. * * * * * that a public sentiment was built up which made the rich kind to the poor, the poor kind to the rich, and all crimes and cruelties infamous, and so in process of time every form of unnecessary human and animal suffering was relieved, and wars, cruelty and crime banished, because every child was taught in all public, private and Sunday schools, and in a hundred thousand free kindergartens, supported at public expense, to make its own life happier by seizing every opportunity to say a kind word or do a kind act that should make happier the lives of others, both human and dumb, and that the highest honors of the state and nation were due to those who did the most to increase the nation's happiness.

GEORGE T. ANGELL.

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One day our cat brought a lovely gray squirrel to the house. As she dropped it in the doorway it fled for refuge and cuddled down in the basket with the kittens. They were asleep and when they awoke they seemed to think the squirrel was another kitten. After a time the cat returned and looked strangely at the squirrel, then sniffed at it for a few moments, and then she cuddled down contentedly and thereafter treated it as one of her own babies. EMMA C. STOUT.

KINSHIP.

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I am the voice of the voiceless,
Through me the dumb shall speak,
Till the deaf world's ear be made to hear
The wrongs of the wordless weak.
From street, from cage and from kennel,
From stable and zoo, the wail
Of my tortured kin proclaims the sin
Of the mighty against the frail.

Oh, shame to the praying Churchman
With his unstalled steed at the door,
Where the Winters beat with snow and sleet
Or the Summer sun-rays pour!
And shame on the mothers of mortals
Who have not stooped to teach
Of the sorrow that lies in dear, dumb eyes—
The sorrow that has no speech.

The same Force formed the sparrow
That fashioned Man, the King.
The God of the Whole gave a spark of soul
To furred and to feathered thing.
And I am my brother's keeper,
And I will fight his fight,
And speak the word for beast and bird
Till the world shall set things right.

—Elia Wheeler Wilcox.

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A BRILLIANT THOUGHT.

There may be more ways than one to kill a cat, but I learned of a novel way to protect that animal from the mischievous youngster the other day.

It happened that I was stopping at a summer boarding house up in the Catskills for a few days, where an old maid boarder had located herself and her three cats for the season. The children in the house, from the youngest to the oldest, had led the three cats such a dance that the felines were justified in wishing during their waking moments that they were dead.

It had kept the old lady on the jump to keep her cats out of the children's hands during the day and to protect them at night they had to be locked up in her room. Thus stood affairs until a few weeks ago the old lady happened to think of a scheme whereby her own and her pets' troubles would be ended. She organized a juvenile society for the prevention of cruelty to animals.

It was a thought that entered her head at 1 o'clock in the morning as she lay awake trying to devise a method to relieve the cats from trouble. The next morning every child in the boarding house was corralled in the old lady's room and she instilled into the young hearts love for everything that walked, flew or crawled, including babies.

The children, little comprehending the sport they were sacrificing, or the deep motive of the old lady, all took a pledge to live up to her teachings and not only this, but to get every new boarder's children to join the society, too. For fear the novelty would wear off and the children would forget their pledge, the old lady sent to the city and obtained little badges for the children to wear.

The result is that all the children in the house strut about like miniature policemen; the cats are recovering their composure, besides patches of new fur and the old lady can do her knitting without fear of being disturbed to rescue her pets from all but sudden death.—Herald.

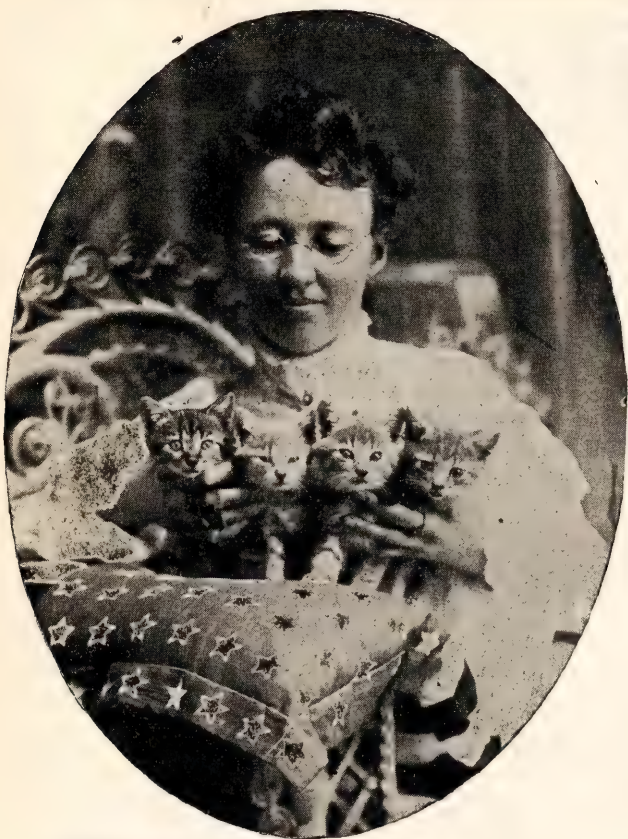
HE PUT UP HIS GUN.

One of our best practical farmers related to us the other day how he came to change his mind about killing birds. He said he formerly took a great deal of pleasure with his gun and dogs. About six months after coming to the Territory he told his wife he would go out and kill a few quail. It was about 4 o'clock; so calling his dogs, he started out on his own farm. He soon shot three quail and his wife, knowing if he got thoroughly interested in the pursuit of game he would be out till long after supper time, persuaded him to come back to the house and they would have supper, when he could go out again. All right, said the farmer, I will dress these and we will have them for supper. His wife remarked on the fullness of the craws of the birds and on opening one it was found full of chinch bugs. Out of curiosity, they counted and found over four hundred dead chinch bugs in the craw of one quail. Said the farmer in relating the circumstance to us: I just cleaned up the gun and have not shot a bird since and if you'll come down to my place of a morning or evening and see the birds coming to my farm you'll think they know their friends.—Hennery (Okla.) Clipper.

HUNTERS' SPORT.

To call it sport does not change the fact that animals hunted to death are just as surely killed as if knocked on the head by the butcher. If the hunter would only stop and think of the pain he is inflicting, his sympathy would disarm his sport. This actually happened during a recent deer-hunt in Tennessee. After the sportsmen had chased the deer for several miles and the hounds were close at its heels, the frightened animal turned suddenly and running up to one of the hunters, tucked its head under his arm as if for protection. No one had the heart to kill the animal and the hunt was abandoned.—The Holy Family.

NEVER RIDE BEHIND A DOCKED HORSE IF YOU CAN HELP IT.



PERSONAL LETTER.

With many prayers and heart overflowing with love for the women of our peace loving White Ribbon army, I send this little supplement to the MESSAGE out into the great, busy world. It is the child of my heart, born of love, consecrated with prayer, baptized with tears. I have chosen to let others more able than I speak the earnest words its pages reveal. Each contribution has been given by its writer especially for this issue. Many of the names have become familiar household words. All are large brained, brave hearted, loving souls who are devoting the rich talents God has given them to plead the cause of their dumb fellow creatures.

My own convictions on our attitude toward the animal world have been formed through years of observation and experience and strengthen with the years and I firmly believe no one can be truly a Christian who does not reach out protecting hands to every animal that breathes (even the humblest of them all), or who does not esteem their rights even greater than our own, because they are weaker and incapable of speech.

If there be any who long to give aid and sympathy to the cause, I feel moved to ask them to send to me any sum of money, great or small, to help push the humane education out into every nook and corner available. How earnestly our workers pray for funds to carry on the work. Never shall I forget when a dear friend, whose means were limited, pressed into my hand fifty cents to aid the cause and tears of joy welled to my eyes as I realized how God answers prayer.

I ask every White Ribboner to file away this issue of the MESSAGE, to be used sometime during the coming year to provide hints and helps for a Mercy program at one or more regular meetings of the Union.

This is my peaceful "Call to Arms." Let us make this year the greatest, in point of endeavor along the lines of Mercy work, that has yet been experienced in Indiana W. C. T. U.

PRIZES OFFERED THIS YEAR.

To the superintendent securing the most names to the Bird Pledge will be given four copies of "Dickey Downy." To the superintendent securing the most sermons preached on Kindness to Animals will be given one copy of "For Pity's Sake," by Sarah Nelson Carter. For every Band of Mercy of thirty members organized, with name of Band and officers thereto, will be sent Our Dumb Animals for one year and a roll of literature. Will superintendents please send name and address as soon as appointed and write me for instructions and sample literature?

Huntington, Ind.

Lou E. RALL.

Mrs. Lou E. Rall, of Huntington, is our energetic, enthusiastic State Superintendent of Mercy and to her we are indebted for this beautiful supplement. She edited it with an interest and devotion to the Mercy department which is most inspiring. Mrs. Rall, as you see her pictured face with the kittens, shows a rare love for animals. Yes, more; a love for God's creatures. In her home life and elsewhere she demonstrates her love for every living thing. So earnest and winsome is she as a mother that the only child, a young daughter, is in closest sympathy with her in her work and is her helper and constant companion. Mrs. Rall teaches us to rejoice in this beautiful world of sunshine and flowers and singing birds, that we may enter into loving sympathy with all life and help to make the world more beautiful and joyful for each other and for all the creatures by whom we are surrounded, remembering that the Golden Rule of Christ can bring the golden age of man.

THE BIRD PLEDGE.

We, whose names are hereunto affixed, hereby express our disapproval of the practice of wearing the bodies, wings, or feathers of birds as a part of our clothing or headgear, and we call upon all right-minded women to use their influence against it.

SPARE THE BIRDS!

THE SLAUGHTER OF THE INNOCENTS.

Oh God! that thou wouldst touch my tongue
With fervor so divine.
That ev'ry heart might feel my words
As they were words of Thine.

O Thou that know'st all human hearts,
Know'st all they have or need,
I pray Thee make them tender,
And give me power to plead!

Thou know'st the little birds, O Lord,
The birds that Thou hast made;
Thou see'st them singing in the sun,
And brooding in the shade.

The bonny, bonny little birds!
It is their hour of need;
They have no power to beg for life;
It is for them I plead.

The human cry to God is still
For mercy, mercy, solely;
The bird sings only, "God be praised,"
And "Holy, holy, holy."

They have no power to cry to us
When pride or fashion slays them
For woman who pretends to love,
And, Judas-like, betrays them—

For woman who will praise the song,
Then bid them slay the singer,
That the wee head or tortured breast
Some added charm may bring her.

Could ye but see the bright wings torn
From birds alive and bleeding,
And note their quivering agony,
I had no need for pleading.

The wingless form flung in the dirt,
Its deathly pain and terror,
Would wake in every woman's heart
A bitter sense of error.

Ten thousand thousand little birds,
In cruel hands a-dying,
Have heard, with breaking mother hearts,
Their hungry nestlings crying.

The bonny, bonny little birds!
It is their hour of need;
They have no power to beg for life;
It is for them I plead.

—Miss Elizabeth Freeland.

PERSONAL WORDS.

Mrs. Nora T. Gause is an Indiana woman and needs but a word of introduction, as she is well known for her years of devoted effort along humane lines of work. Both from the lecture platform and with her pen has she ably advocated the cause of our speechless fellow creatures.

Prominent among Indiana's humane workers is Mrs. Flora T. Neff, sister of Mrs. Nora Gause and the efficient local Superintendent of Logansport W. C. T. U., whose literary productions appear in this issue. She is a writer of poems and other productions of no mean ability, and composes the music to which her poems are set and which she sings with an earnestness and sweetness which wins her hearers to her cause. She has won several of the prizes offered by the Mercy department and barely missed winning the National prize last year, for excellent work. The originality of her plans, the thoroughness of her work and her unabated zeal proclaim her a truly consecrated worker for the cause she so dearly loves.

TURNED OUT TO DIE.

Only a poor old horse, that's all;
Only a worn-out faithful creature,
Blind and changed in every feature;
Who always answered his master's call,
And toiled for him in the days gone by.
The same hard-hearted master, who,
Finding no more for his servant to do,
Now turns him out to die!

Many a heavy load has been drawn
By this poor old horse, but never again
Will he obey the command of whip or rein.
For, here, on the frozen road-side lawn,
Some one will find, some early dawn,
Lying alone all stiff and cold,
Beneath a pitiless wintry sky,
This poor, dilapidated, old,
Deserted horse, turned out to die!

I know he thinks of his cruel fate,
Of the bitter lot which has come at last;
I know he remembers the steady gait
Which was his, though 'twas neither slow nor fast;
For he is sensible, still, amid all his pain,
More sensible far than the brute who spurned him,
And with a fiendish cruelty turned him
Away from the barn and the oats grain,
Turned him away, with never a sigh,
Out on the bleak roadside, to die!

—By Caleb Dunn.

PLAN OF WORK AND AIM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MERCY.

1. To secure a more widespread knowledge of existing laws against cruelty to children and to animals, and a better enforcement of them.
2. To obtain in Public Schools, Sunday Schools, in Loyal Temperance Legions, Epworth Leagues, Christian Endeavors, etc., the formation of Bands of Mercy.
3. To secure the co-operation of Ministers of the Gospel, by requesting them to preach upon the universal duty of mercy and consideration toward all God's creatures.
4. To endeavor, by the circulation of literature and by such other means as may be deemed best, to

develop public sentiment against the unnecessary, cruel and demoralizing practice called Vivisection, with a view to its total abolition.

5. To discourage any practice, custom or fashion which involves the infliction of suffering on any living creature.

6. To work for the general development and promulgation of the humane idea as a means of preventing injustice and oppression, and of hastening the coming of the Golden Age.

MEAT EATING AND ITS RELATION TO THE DRINK HABIT.

There is little doubt in my mind that the habitual use of meat as an article of food is productive of results similar to those which attend the use of liquor and tobacco.

Meat is largely a stimulant. But it has other qualities which make it even more injurious than tobacco or liquor. Meat contains impurities which enter the blood and produce cancer, rheumatism and kindred disorders. It leads to a craving for other stimulants as well.

Dr. Jackson, for forty years at the head of an asylum for drunkards, says:

"It is morally and physically impossible for any man to remain a drunkard who can be induced to forego the use of tobacco, tea, coffee, spicy condiments, common salt, flesh meats and medicinal drugs. If his diet consists of grain, fruits and vegetables simply cooked, he cannot retain an appetite for strong drinks. - The desire dies out of him, and in its stead comes up a disgust. This disgust is as decidedly moral as it is physical. His better nature revolts at the thought of drinking and the power in him to resist is strengthened thereby."

Of course, those who live on the purely animal plane, and who have done so for many years, will not find it so easy to make a radical change in their diet. But when the time comes that they really desire to make a change, and they see the advantages of a pure diet, they will not find it so difficult to gradually introduce fruits, cereals and vegetable products into their daily meals until meat is nearly or quite eliminated.

Children who are brought up on a non-meat diet are healthy and strong, and never have any craving for meat because they have not formed the habit of eating it.

There is one error into which many people fall when they first discard meat, either wholly or in part. That is, they eat too large a proportion of starchy food (bread, potatoes, pastry etc.) and not enough fruit and vegetables or nuts.

For those engaged in manual labor, peas, beans and lentils afford an excellent substitute for meat. The various kinds of nut butter can be used to good advantage, and ground nuts, in various combinations, make a good substitute for meat. Do not forget to make at least one meal a day wholly, or nearly so, of fresh, ripe fruit. And eat plenty of fruit at all times, either fresh or cooked.

Milk, butter, eggs and cheese will be found valuable aids to those who are beginning to eschew meat.

In conclusion, it is needless to say, perhaps, that many of the world's greatest scholars and most spiritually minded men have been non-meat eaters. A non-meat diet is certainly conducive to the the highest physical, mental and spiritual development. Keep the temple of your body pure, and your soul will then be better able to build you into such a being as you desire to become.

WILLIAM E. TOWNE,

The Magazine of Mysteries.

In urging temperance men to investigate the question of food reform, I do so as a total abstainer of ten years' standing whose conviction as to the advisability of such abstinence is unalterably fixed, but also as one who believes that he brings to the notice of his fellow-workers the knowledge of a more effective weapon wherewith to fight the evils that have so cursed our race in the past, and which still threaten it with the direst calamities.

Alcoholism is rightly denounced as a prolific breeder of other vices, but if there exists that which is the begetter of alcoholism, that undeniably is the parent of them all.

"Injudicious and unwholesome diet contributes to predispose the system to inebriety."

The inflammatory nature of flesh-meat is now generally recognized by the medical profession; and the close connection between its use and the drink habit has been unmistakably traced and exposed. Dr. Susanna W. Dodds, in a paper read at an International Congress held in Chicago in 1893, said, "A further objection to a meat diet is its stimulating character. The waste matter that it contains serves as an artificial stimulant, and the individual feels strengthened for the time being, very much as the dram-drinker fancies he is strengthened while the alcohol is in his system and the vital organs are trying to expel it. But as soon as this struggle is over it is followed by a reaction; there is a period of exhaustion, during which the overtaxed organs are taking a rest after the extra labor which they have performed. The habitual use of meat prepares the palate for other and stronger stimulants. . . . Then it is only a step to the use of beer, whisky, brandy, etc. These follow in regular gradation, each seeming to call for the other. But if there has not been a start on this down grade it is easier to hold

one's footing. Nature is better able to defend herself. It is, therefore, a common remark that so long as one abstains from the use of meat and seasonings that usually go with it there is no danger of becoming a drunkard."

The truth of this statement is corroborated and accentuated by the experience and testimony of food reformers in general. Abstinence from flesh and the adoption of a diet into which fruit largely enters will so cool and strengthen the feverish and diseased system that the desire for strong drink dies out. Food reformers, as such, do not pledge themselves to teetotal practices, but those few who are not total abstainers are extremely abstemious. When temperance people come to understand that no person can become a drunkard until an appetite for liquor has been created and fixed, and that such appetite always has its beginnings in exciting foods and narcotic or stimulo-narcotic drinks and depressant or tonic drugs, and that no one having become a drunkard can remain such—once he shall have entirely abandoned stimulating food and drugs—the way to success will be open before them."

The importance of this testimony from such an authority cannot be overestimated. It should not be ignored by those whose lives are devoted to the battle against intemperance. Is it true that by a change in diet, and by simple obedience to the laws of hygiene, we can reduce the drink fiend to impotence? If it is true, are we justified in thrusting aside so simple, so efficacious a safeguard, so complete and easy a cure—can we not do something to bring a knowledge of the truth to others? Ought we not to rise to a higher level of self-denial for the sake of the brother who perisheth? "It is good neither to eat flesh nor to drink wine, nor anything whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak." Thus wrote Paul of Tarsus, and if it is true that bloodless diet can and does cast out the devil of insane desire, should not such a fact secure the earnest attention of drink reformers? If there is any sacrifice involved in abstinence from that which science demonstrates to be unnecessary, unnatural and unwholesome, of what moment is it when compared with the glorious privilege of standing by the apostle's side and for reasons wholly unselfish, saying, "Wherefore, I will eat no meat so long as the world endureth"?

The scientific, moral and religious aspects of food reform should be studied by every person who makes any pretension to be a thinker; and the teetotaler who is ignorant of the basic truths upon which it is founded has not yet learned the elementary requisites for the successful prosecution of his own movement. The practice of flesh-eating is becoming more and more repellant to refined and cultured people, and as it is demonstrated to be a totally unnecessary habit which must inevitably give rise to a wholesale infringement of the law of love and mercy, they are, in ever increasing numbers, declaring it to be morally indefensible, and adopting a diet which is more in accordance with true temperance, as well as with reason, refinement and religious sentiment.

HARRY COCKING.

From the "Herald of the Golden Age."



MRS. MARY F. LOVELL,
WYNCOLE, PA.

We are pleased to introduce to our readers the kindly face of our beloved World's and National Superintendent of the Mercy Department. She, it was who had created this department of work in our organization with the assistance of Frances Willard, whose personal friend she was. With a tender heart attuned to pity for all God's suffering creatures she has tirelessly worked to ameliorate their condition and through teaching kindness to animals, to endeavor to raise the standard of Christian character and hasten the coming of His Kingdom here upon earth.

L. E. R.

When Agassiz, the greatest scientist we ever had in America, fully believed in the immortality of animals, does it not seem foolish for smaller intellects to dispute the immortality of man?

Discourage nest-robbing, boys, among your companions and encourage in its place an intelligent interest in the living birds.

RESPONSIVE READING.

President—Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

Society—The Lord is good to all and His tender mercies are over all His works.

President—He sendeth the springs into the valleys which run among the hills.

Society—They give drink to every beast of the field.

President—He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle.

Society—He giveth to the beast his food.

President—Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful.

Society—A righteous man regardeth the life of his beast.

President—The merciful man doeth good to his own soul.

Society—What does the Lord require of thee but to do justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God.

MERCY PLEDGE.

I promise to try to be kind to all living creatures and try to protect them from cruel usage.

MERCY HYMN.

Tune—Home, Sweet Home.

Dear Father in Heaven
We've taken this vow:
To be kind to all creatures,
Dear Lord show us how;
Oh, bless every effort
Unto Thee we pray,
And help us to keep
This pledge day by day.

CHORUS.

Hear us, bless us,
While we pray
And help us to keep
This pledge day by day.

—Arranged by Mrs. Flora T. Neff.

HUMANE EDUCATION.

Many of our women know what humane education can accomplish, what it does for the character of the individual, what kind of evils it seeks to cure; but what we aim for is such interest in every local Union that its aggressive work will promote the active practice of the principles of humaneness and mercy in every household of their communities and as far beyond as possible.

Though the world is growing better, it is impossible to find any community of human beings in which cruelty of some sort does not exist. In some the casual observer—and most observers are very casual—might fail to see wanton torture or neglect, but visits to the home would reveal many an instance of calm indifference to the suffering and of mischievous infliction of it. It is an abnormal mother who does not love her child, but the blind affection of many mothers develops abnormal children. The mother who provides a kitten or a puppy simply to amuse her little ones—who regards the creature only as an animated plaything; who allows it to be mauled into exhausted subjection, or teased until, after astonishing forbearance, it makes such retaliation as it can and earns punishment and dislike—is giving her child training in cruelty, and the element of thoughtlessness in the whole proceeding is also the element of selfishness. Most children, if not watched and restrained, will heedlessly, and quite often unconsciously, inflict suffering on animals. No child, unless he is taught, will even pick up a cat without causing it great discomfort, yet the majority of mothers do not know that a child should not squeeze tightly the fore part of the animal's body while the rest hangs dangling in the air, but that it should be told to hold it with one hand supporting the hind legs. Nevertheless common sense, not to speak of human feeling, should teach every grown person as much as this.

Children should not be left to the belief that their pet animals are merely living playthings, to be tossed about like rubber balls, but should be taught that they have feeling, and likes and dislikes, even as the children themselves have. The mother who, as soon as a cat or a dog is in sight, says to the child, "Be careful how you handle the cat; she might scratch you," or, "Let the dog alone, because he might bite you," is missing her opportunity for good and gentle training, and is developing traits of cruelty and pure selfishness. The child's idea of a cat is of a creature almost sure to scratch, and he believes that an innocent and friendly dog, who comes up to him with wagging tail, is a monster who will bite him without cause. The young, impressionable mind would just as easily have received the lesson that these creatures must be treated gently and kindly because they can feel, just as the child can. That their wants must be carefully anticipated, because they cannot speak, and that gentleness and kindness exercised toward them will beget in them a disposition to be gentle and kind.

The writer recently heard of a woman, who on a cold day, with a storm approaching, was seen to leave something in a field and hurry away. Investigation showed it to be a cat about to give birth to kittens. The poor creature when rescued was very sick, owing to fright and ill treatment. If that heartless woman had been properly trained in her youth, she might have felt a touch of pity for the poor animal mother in her extremity. If she had children of her own

what kind of lessons could they learn from her? It is not strange that the streets of our cities are filled with children whose only idea of the way to treat a helpless creature is to torture it, and who are qualifying for lives of crime. It is a shameful fact, moreover, that material for the cruel pastimes of such children is often furnished by people who claim respectability, but whose chosen method of getting rid of superfluous cats and dogs is to take them out and lose them, or who go away on summer vacations abandoning their former pets to starvation and misery. Summer vacations often provide material for the criminal education of the children of the streets.

The remedy is humane education. Introduce it wherever it is possible. The widest field is the public schools and it should be taught in all, as it is already in some, by law. The W. C. T. U. can make things happen; therefore, it can get humane education in the public schools written in all the statute books of the country. Local Unions should help toward this end by the distribution of literature, creation of sentiment by letters to the newspapers, getting sermons preached and by any other means which present themselves. The bills presented to legislatures should be carefully worded and contain a penalty for non-compliance and in order to more easily become laws must be introduced at the beginning of the legislative session and carefully watched. Literature which will help in the work can be obtained by addressing Mrs. Mary F. Lovell, World's and National W. C. T. U. Superintendent of Department of Mercy, Wyncote, Pa.

MRS. MARY OLIVER AYRES ELSTER.

One of the most practical and devoted humane workers that has ever been identified with Indiana's interests was Mrs. Mary Oliver Ayers Elster, who was born in Newark, N. J., Nov. 9, 1842. She was an exceptionally bright child, a constant surprise to her instructors and a wonder to her classmates. At the age of sixteen she was pronounced a successful teacher, first in Champaign, Ills., and then in Chicago, and after her marriage in 1884, in Indianapolis, where she taught both public and private schools until her death, December 26, 1900. Her library comprised the best in literature. She was a rapid and advanced thinker and a ready and fascinating writer. From infancy her great heart always went out to the suffering and lowly. The more helpless the creature, the more it received her pity and attention. Her home finally became shelter for unfortunate animals and November 20, 1896, she founded The Frances Power-Cobbe Refuge, which institution still exists in a meager way at 4515 East Washington street, Indianapolis.

Mrs. N. T. GAUSE.

TO MY DOG.

Noble fellow, faithful friend,
Devoted, kind and true,
In all this wide, wide world, I've found
No one who loves like you.

Faithful dog, rememb'rest thou—
O, lucky day for thee—
When thou a friendless puppy, came
To beg a crust from me?

Then thou wert hungry, foot-sore, cold,
Thy sides were lank, and thin;
But when I saw thy friendly face,
I gladly took thee in.

Now thou art beautiful and plump,
Thy fur is soft and sleek,
A pretty collar's buckled round
Thy noble, glossy neck.

But thou, O, noble, trusty friend,
Repay'st this care of mine
A thousand-fold, for who could spurn
Devotion, such as thine?

I know if thou, in time to come,
Some other friend should find,
Thou wilt not say, of me, harsh words
And sentences unkind.

So they who would our friendship scorn,
My fondness would reprove,
Would better come to thee and learn
True gratitude and love.

ESTHER NELSON KARN.



Esther Nelson Karn, author of Snowflakes and a new book, Violets, now in the hands of the publishers, contributes the above little poem. She is a member of the Western Writers' Association and her poems have elicited very high praise from writers of distinction throughout the country. This talented lady is deeply interested in the humane work and is the superintendent of Mercy in the W. C. T. U. at Ft. Wayne, where she resides.

EVERY KIND WORD YOU SAY TO A DUMB ANIMAL OR BIRD WILL MAKE YOU HAPPIER.

THE PIGGIE SONG.

Oh, I've been out in the country
For to see my Uncle Joe!
I'll tell you all about the sights
And where the piggies grow.
For I found 'em in a holler log
All cuddled down so fine,
But, oh they scatter when they hear my uncle!

For he calls 'em piggie, piggie,
Pig-oo-ey! That-a-way;
'Tis jolly fun to see 'em run
And scramble night and morn,
When Uncle Joseph sings that hymn,
That dream of yellow corn!
But ther's one way over yonder,
He has wandered far away,
In delight he seems to ponder
O'er the Piggie Roundelay;
Now his heart is palpitating,
For a piggie can rejoice,
And his feet are fast vibrating
At the sound of uncle's voice.

Oh, it's jolly in the country
When Aunt Mary sets her hens!
The rooster struts about the walk
And crows upon the fence,
He is such a lazy fellow
And he makes the hens so mad,
They ruffle up their feathers at Aunt Mary.

But she calls 'em chickie, chickie,
Chick-oo-ey! That-a-way;
'Tis jolly fun to see 'em run
And scramble night and morn,
When dear Aunt Mary sings that hymn,
That dream of yellow corn!
There's a guinea in the orchard
And a secret in her breast;
Not a sound of her kit-lacking,
Till she's farther from the nest,
Then in chorus with Aunt Mary
And my uncle on the hill;
And the moo-ing of the cattle,
And the gobler's lusty trill
Is a discord, filled with music;
To the nature-loving ear,
When, e're the morning sun flings forth
His banners bright and clear,
Or at evening when he sinks to rest
Upon his couch of gold,
There's mush and milk for supper in the country!

Some one calls em :-Children, children,
Hurry! Come now, right away!
'Tis jolly fun to see 'em run
And scramble night and morn,
When everybody sings that hymn,
That dream of yellow corn!
There may be a grander chorus
In that land so far away,
But I think there'll be a sighing
For the Piggie Roundelay,
When all hearts are tuned with gladness,
From the inspiration born,
Nature's children all made happy
In their dream of yellow corn!
Logansport, Ind. MRS. FLORA TRUEBLOOD-NEFF.

A PLEA FOR GREATER ACTIVITY.

Among the noblest of the land,
Tho' he may count himself the least,
That man I honor and revere,
Who, without favor, without fear,
In the great city dares to stand
The friend of every helpless beast.

—Longfellow.

After spending the greater portion of eighteen years in humane work, organizing and re-organizing humane societies, addressing public meetings, writing for the press, circulating humane literature, and daily entreating men and women to be kinder to the helpless creatures entrusted to their care, I find myself to-day answering the identical questions of eighteen years ago.

Everywhere I hear a loud call for heroic workers, the same earnest demand for more stringent laws and a better enforcement of those we now have and a universal regret that money does not come readily to hire humane officers to ferret out the cruelties and bring the perpetrators to justice.

But what is everybody's business is nobody's business and the barbarous practices now tolerated in almost every neighborhood must continue until the people are better organized against them and our humane societies duly equipped with authority and means to defend the helpless. It is no easy matter, single-handed, to contend with a cruel man or woman, but in this, as in other reforms, there is strength in union.

True it is, that the thousands of lame, sightless, bony, suffering horses under the lash of heartless men or women, the distressed cattle, the crowded pens of unwatered sheep and hogs, and the roughly handled poultry in every huckster's wagon, at every poultry depot, at every butchering establishment, on every freight train, ought to shame us into activity, and organizations ought to come almost without effort.

We need to forget ourselves in our efforts to better the condition of the dumb animals. Humanity Martin threw a thunderbolt into this old world when in 1824 he announced to the British Parliament that man had been selfishly legislating in his own behalf long enough, and that it was high time the dumb animals had protection.

Henry Bergh, the illustrious founder of humane work in America, electrified our people when in 1866 he began work in New York City.

Now and then preserving efforts rightly directed must bring success, but it behoves each and every one of us who is interested in the promotion of mercy and justice to God's humbler creatures to arise in our might and become an untiring laborer in this great reform.

Public sentiment is slow to mould, but right is might and we cannot doubt that the tons of humane literature that are being yearly sent out from our humane writers, the hundreds of humane societies working so faithfully, will ere long usher in a new era for our devoted friends; a time when life, no matter what

its form or expression, will be respected, not for what it has done or will do for man, but because it exists.

This subject has enlisted the highest mentality of the world, the brightest intellects have sanctioned it, the noblest characters have espoused it and the truest hearts have innately embraced it.

MRS. NORA TRUEBLOOD GAUSE.

THE RELATION OF CRUELTY TO FOOD SUPPLIES.

Extracts from a paper read at the Washington State W. C. T. U. Convention.

"When Knighthood Was in Flower" gallant men rode forth to break a lance for the weak, the poor and the helpless.

Many a young man feels that HE might have been a hero had he lived in the days of Chivalry. But THIS is God's time the more. There is now a hapless multitude whose sufferings might well quicken a new chivalry—the animal creation.

Cattle starving and freezing on the plains, all kinds of live stock bruised, frightened and thirsty during transit on steamer and car, domestic fowls crowded into close, filthy coops, where exercise is impossible, sheep, sick and dying from pneumonia, because too early shorn of their fleeces and left without adequate protection, docked horses, tight check reins, will not this array of helpless suffering arouse some one to break a lance?

The American people have tender hearts, and all that is needed is for some one to turn on the light.

Fear, anger, physical suffering, hunger and thirst produce poisons in the tissues of animals, making their flesh injurious as food. Live stock, crowded together for shipment—kept long hours without food, water and rest—terrorized in the slaughter house—can not make wholesome meat. These abuses entail financial losses, making the roast more expensive. For the sake of health and for the sake of economy every one who uses animal food in any form should look to these matters, from the oyster up.

But these are the lighter reasons. "Open thy mouth for the dumb" in the market place, in the abattoir, in the stock car, yes, and in the barn and on the farm. Society is degraded, civilization is hindered, Christianity is blighted by cruelty to our lowlier brothers.

According to the National Stock Growers' Association, there are forty millions of cattle on the western ranges without provision for food or shelter in winter.

C. K. Whitehead, Secretary of the Colorado State Board of Child and Animal Protection, says, "There is no blacker stain on the civilization of this nation to-day than this. Imagine in December a single animal, already gaunt from cold, hunger and thirst—imagine this wretched creature wandering about on an illimitable plain covered with snow, with nothing to eat, except here and there, buried under the snow, a sparse tuft of dead grass; by day wandering and pawing in the snow, by night lying down upon it, swept by pitiless winds and icy storms—always shivering with cold, always gnawed with hunger, parched with thirst—always searching for something to eat where there is nothing—always staring with dumb, hopeless eyes, blinded, swollen and festering from the sun's glare on the wastes of snow. Imagine that, and imagine yourself enduring one hour of it; multiply that by 24; multiply that by the slow moving days and nights from December to April, if life lasts so long;—then multiply that by forty millions, and you have the statistics of the brute suffering in this one way for one year and every year in this unspeakable trade.

"The owners of these animals are 'our best citizens,' foremost in politics, society, business and religion; warmly clad, eating three square meals a day and sleeping in comfortable beds paid for by the suffering of helpless beasts deliberately put where their owners know they are dying lingering deaths, because enough survive to make a profit."

Horses that have patiently and intelligently carried ore from almost inaccessible heights to a marketable point—carried it with more than human skill and faithfulness—at the close of the season are left shelterless in the mountains through the long, bitter winter. If none of them survive the hardships, well and good. The owners consider it cheaper to buy new ones than to care for their loyal helpers.

These are wrongs that cry to heaven. The people in the churches, the children in Sunday schools and day schools, the women in our Unions, should be taught the rights of animals, the responsibility of MAN towards them. If superior intelligence is ours, by so much the more should we bless the humbler lives.

"The strong should help the weak." Do this, and Knighthood will be again in flower.

Contributed by Emma E. Page, National Lecturer for the Mercy Department, Olympia, Washington.

DOCKING.

The operation is needless, painful and cruel, causing the animal much suffering and depriving it of its only means of defense against flies and insects. In my opinion no language too strong can be employed condemning this cruel operation.—Dr. Samuel K. Johnson, Chief Surgeon New York Veterinary Hospital.

Always kill a wounded bird or other animal as soon as you can. All suffering of any creature, just before it dies, poisons the meat.—Geo. T. Angell.

PUTTING ON CHRIST.

"Putting on Christ!" Boys, what does it mean?
That you gamble, and smoke, and chew,
And swear, and a dozen other things
That you wouldn't want girls to do?
Does it mean that Cruelty lurks within,
That something must suffer and die
For your amusement, the cats and the birds?
Do you rein your horse up high,
And lash it into a milk-white foam,
Until each breath is a piteous moan?
Is this why the tender Savior came?
Is this what it means to you?

"Putting on Christ!" Girls, what does it mean?
That you should be haughty and vain?
Despising the fallen, unfortunate, poor,
Thus helping to multiply pain?
Does it mean that mother-birds, hovering o'er
Their little ones high in the nest,
Shall be slain for you and their corpses worn,
That you may be grandly dressed,
While the birdlets feebly flutter and cry,
And thirst and hunger and finally die?
Is this why the gentle Savior came?
Is this what it means to you?

"Putting on Christ!" Ladies, what does it mean?
That you wouldn't step out of your way,
To ask for a vote on the Temperance side?
Is this your position to-day?
Are you lending a hand in Cruelty's crime?
Did you sanction that murderous pack,
In slaying the seal while her baby cried,
And shed great human tears, and died,
That her coat might warm your back?
Is this why the loving Savior came?
Is this what it means to you?

"Putting on Christ!" Men, what does it mean?
That you ballot the same old way?
Are you asking God to move the saloons,
And then you don't vote as you pray?
Would you rather dismiss all this from your mind,
The one hundred thousand lost,
And care not a whit for those souls adrift,
With none to rescue, or help, or lift,
Because of the ballot you cast?
Is this why the merciful Saviour came?
Is this what it means to you?

"Repentance, Baptism, Newness of life!
What do they mean in this world of strife?
Lessons of mercy and deeds of love
Our 'faith' in the living God to prove;
Which shall say to the politician bold:—
'I barter not in your crime for gold;
I'll vote for the home, nor care for the sneers
Of the whisky-ring, their fleers and jeers
Which Satan has used for so many years,
To further his harvest of bloodshed and tears.

The loving Savior never was born
To tickle the world with priestly form,
With priestly sermon and priestly song,
And licensing or gravest wrong.
"Putting on Christ," dear friends, must stand
For every creature in the land,
And the Christian refusing to work 'gainst sin,
Outside of the church as well as in,
Is a stumbling-block in the way of truth,
And the unbeliever seeking the truth.
Logansport, Ind. MRS. FLORA TRUEBLOOD NEFF.

TWO KINDS OF SPORT.

"'Tis a beautiful morning," a sportsman said,
"The world looks so happy—let's each take a gun,
Go out and kill something for pastime and fun,
And proudest be him who counts the most dead."

They blotted out lives that were happy and good;
Blinded eyes and broke wings that delighted to soar.
They killed for mere pleasure and crippled and tore,
Regardless of aught but the hunger for blood.

"'Tis a beautiful morning," a sportsman cried,
Who carried a kodak instead of a gun,
"The world looks so happy—so golden the sun,
I'll slip to the woods where the wild things hide."

The deer that he "shot" never dreamed of his aim,
The bird that he "caught" went on with her song.
Peace followed his footsteps, not slaughter and wrong,
Yet rich were his "trophies" and varied his "game."

—Calla Harcourt in Good Health.

WHY A DEPARTMENT OF MERCY SHOULD BE FORMED IN EACH STATE, COUNTY AND LOCAL UNION.

Because the use of strong drink develops brutality and cruelty, the systematic teaching of kindness bears a relation to both the preventive and reformatory work of the W. C. T. U.

Because the organization of Bands of Mercy could be carried to much greater extent if there were in each Union a woman who would make it her particular business to secure their formation through the several kinds of educational work.

Because, though humanity is growing better, its real and permanent elevation will be in the degree of the recognition of the rights of the weak.

Because we need a Christianity broadened to the full intent of its Founder. One not restricted to a mere contemplation of God's mercy to us, but inculcating our obligation to show the fullest mercy to all His creatures.

Because the development of the ideals of justice and humanity is essential to the highest character and a child taught through the Band of Mercy to be unselfish and to be considerate of the rights and welfare of every living creature, will be better in all the relations of life. A child so taught will not, when he grows up, be so likely to degrade himself by the use of strong drink or help to injure others by selling it.

As the world advances in civilization the time will surely come when it will not be considered sport to go out and shoot something. Nothing will then be considered sport that means suffering or death to any living creature.

White light includes all the prismatic colors; so the white ribbon stands for all phases of reform.—Frances E. Willard.

Nothing is impossible that is right. Nothing that is right is impractical.—C. N. Howard.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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PROFITS OF WHISKY.

The Wichita (Kas.) *Beacon* puts much in little thus:

The distiller from the bushel of corn makes four gallons of whisky with the aid of various harmful products and adulterations. These four gallons of whisky retail for \$16.40.

The farmer who raises the corn gets from 25 to 50 cents. The United States government through its tax on whisky gets \$4.40.

The railroad company gets \$1.00.

The manufacturer gets \$4.00.

The drayman who hauls the whisky gets 15 cents. The retailer gets \$7.

The man who drinks the whisky gets drunk.

His wife gets hunger and sorrow.

His children get rags and insufficient food.

OUR NEEDS.

More personal consecration to God, more conscience about being in our place when the roll is called. More initiative in the doing of what is at hand to be done, without being urged by the president to do what is clearly our duty, if we live up to the last clause of the pledge we have taken.

More system in the meetings of the Local Union. More singing of temperance songs. More sociability in the direction of ministers, teachers, editors and boys. More missionary zeal. This call to do missionary work presupposes an intelligent acquaintance on the part of all our Unions with foundation principles, with all laws, and with the plans of State and National Unions. Every member ought to be able to repeat the pledge from memory at any time, so that she can inform others as to the requirements of membership. More faithfulness in reporting work already done. Remember your work is not finished, no matter how well it is done, until it is reported.

We need breadth of thought and definiteness of action. More faith in God, in each other and in the humanity about us.

More faith, more hope, more love and who shall defeat us?
If God be for us, who can be against us?

—Marie C. Brehm in *Union Signal*.

THE BATTLESHIP.

Having referred at our late State Convention to the great expense entailed upon our country by its military system and repeated the statement of Mrs. Lucia Ames Mead that one of our large battleships cost more than Harvard University, several members of the Convention asked for a written statement, which I agreed to give in print through the columns of the *MESSAGE*; and for which I now ask a little space. Mrs. Ames' first statement was challenged, but she looked the matter up, comparing statistics which she obtained, as to the ship, from the naval department, as to buildings, from the secretary of each institution. The figures she obtained are as follows:

Cost of battleship.....	\$8,575,000
Land and 94 buildings of Harvard University.....	\$5,300,000
Land and buildings of Hampton Institute.....	600,000
Land and buildings of Tuskegee Institute, about.....	600,000
	\$6,500,000
Leaving surplus cost of ship....	\$75,000

Which would pay for a comfortable home for twenty-five families.

As a further illustration of what a naval battle may cost, take this from a note on the present Japanese war:

A battleship carries four cannon, each of which costs \$30,000. The four.....	\$120,000
Each gun can fire two shots a minute, each shot costing.....	\$400
Four guns cost per minute.....	3,200
Four guns cost in five minutes.....	\$16,000
Total.....	\$136,000

And this ship might in a minute, by a shot from an enemy's ship, be sent to the bottom of the sea, a lost and worthless wreck. It takes five or six years to build and equip a large ship and very few of them are of any use at anything like their original value, after twelve years. The figures here noted are but the beginning of naval expenses, for there follows the cost of furnishing, manning and mending, which easily runs up into millions more. It is an enormously expensive barbarity. May the women of Indiana be swift to do their part toward turning this vast expenditure of the people's money into nobler channels.

H. LAVINIA BAILY,
Richmond, Ind. State Superintendent.

A PLEA FOR MORE L. T. L. WORK.

At the National Convention in Philadelphia it was more evident than ever before that large numbers of young men and women are taking a deep interest

in the reforms which the W. C. T. U. stands for. Not only were there many splendid young women there representing the Y., but there were even more young men of the Senior Loyal Temperance Legion of many States, who felt no hesitation in supporting the work of the national organization through its branch. It was a surprise to many delegates that the Senior Legion had succeeded in raising young men of such obvious earnestness in temperance reform and Mrs. Stevens and Miss Gordon themselves enthusiastically expressed gratification for the encouragement lent to the temperance cause.

In the platform addresses, in the president's address, in the department reports, in the recommendations, and even in the convention sermon, much emphasis was placed upon the necessity of educating the young, or, in other words, of organizing Loyal Temperance Legions, both Junior and Senior. The great truth—which the liquor organizations are recognizing perhaps more sharply than are we—that the future profits and the future drunkards resulting from the liquor traffic must come from those whose ductile minds and souls are even now in our hands, could not help but be exploited over and over again in this convention of farsighted and earnest temperance workers. And the further truth that the temperance workers of the future who shall take up the arms when we must lay them down and now the boys and girls and young men and women of to-day, ready to take any training we may give them, could also not possibly be overlooked.

Quoting the strong conviction of Frances Willard, oft expressed, that it was the duty of every Union in the land to organize a legion, I desire to impress every Union in Indiana with their responsibility in this direction. It is not as easy a branch of work as some others, but it is by far the richer in rewards, in significance and in effectiveness. With its course of study and graduation and post graduate courses, it provides a training school for young people which has not yet failed and cannot fail to train workers who will prove a mighty right arm in the conflict with the entrenched power of licensed rum-selling. We train young people to-day with solicitous care for all ordinary pursuits of life; why should we not train them as thoroughly for reform work?

To the Unions which are ready to organize, but lack leaders and complain of other hindrances, I would say, that nothing ought to stop you from organizing one. If there is no place to meet publicly, then meet in a home; and if there is no volunteer leader, then let each woman gather a half dozen or more of her own and her neighbors' children about her for an hour and talk to them from the lesson manuals as if they were her own. It is a mistake to assume that the leader must be trained in a complicated system of work; any woman with a love for little ones and a mother's ambition for the future of her race and her country can succeed in planting the seeds of sobriety and purity in the little ones she gathers about her. The State and National officers of the legion are always ready to help and suggest.

And, furthermore, a Union owes it to the older young people of the community to give them an opportunity to belong to a club that holds up the ideals that the W. stands for—the senior L. T. L. It owes a duty to the temperance cause, which it aims to serve, to provide for the future by training young people to understand the facts and principles at issue. The young people in all cases are found ready to learn if approached in the right way, and the results in members for the Union and voters for God's party, wherever the attempt is made, ought to make every Union resolve to lend strong and persistent efforts in this direction at once.

J. GEORGE FREDERICK.

THE THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

In order not to travel on Sunday the Indiana party of White Ribboners left Indianapolis in a special sleeper on Friday evening, November 25. Several Illinois White Ribboners joined us and we had with us Mrs. Vayhinger, our State president and Mrs. Stoddard, president of the Texas W. C. T. U. On Saturday we learned that a sleeper just behind ours contained a detachment of 41 marines in charge of Lieut. Charles Campbell, of Wheeling, W. Va. They were returning to New York from a three years' service in the Philippine Islands. We invited them into our coach for a noontide gospel service.

The program consisted of short talks by Miss Vayhinger, Mrs. Stoddard and Mrs. Brand and a humorous reading by Mrs. Miner, of Illinois, and the singing of America, some gospel hymns, and the Senior L. T. L. song as a solo by Miss Edith Hillis. With earnestness the young men joined in singing the chorus to this song and in the singing of the hymns.

From the train news agent we secured the requisite number of large apples and at the close of

the program Mrs. Brand carried the basket and Miss Edith Hillis and Miss Ethel McWhirter distributed them to our guests.

These soldier boys, many of them scarcely out of their teens, lingered for hours and talked with the members of our party. Many were homesick—all had enlisted for four years, some of them had nearly two years yet to serve, others only a few months. Among the number was a nephew of our lamented Mary A. Woodbridge. All seemed to greatly appreciate our invitation. One young man said to Miss Clara Sears, you are the first white woman that I have spoken to in three years. How dreadful it is for our nation to send its youth, the flower of its young manhood, out under such conditions. On Sunday morning we attended service in the Baptist Temple, and heard its famed pastor, Dr. Russell Conwell, deliver an eloquent and inspiring sermon on the dignity of labor, speaking emphatically upon the desirability of woman's activity, socially and politically. Five telephone receivers were so arranged that the services could be heard in as many different places. The hospital, supported by the church, provides a 'phone for each bed, so every patient can hear the service. On Sunday afternoon several of us attended Mr. John Wanamaker's Sunday School of 3,000, saw the marvelous organization of young forces and the bible class numbering 1,600 which Mr. Wanamaker teaches. It is composed of middle aged people.

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION

Was held in the great Baptist Temple, Philadelphia, November 28 to December 4. The attendance was unusually large. The Credentials Committee reported the total voting membership of the convention to be 511. Thousands of visitors attended the sessions, which were varied and interesting. Great audiences present every evening. The officers' reports showed that a splendid net increase in membership had been made in all the States and territories. That, never daunted by unfavorable weather or method of transportation, our National President, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens and her loyal Vice-President-at-large, Miss Anna A. Gordon and the National Organizers had gone into many new fields and planted the seed which already begins to bear fruit.

The Superintendents of Departments have been aggressive along some lines. Much definite educational and legislative work has been accomplished through this, the strongest organization of reform forces in the world to-day.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens; Vice-President at large, Miss Anna A. Gordon; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Susanna M. D. Fry; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Clara C. Hoffman; Assistant Recording Secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth Preston, Anderson; Treasurer, Mrs. Harriet Wright Brand.

Mrs. Frances Beauchamp, President Kentucky W. C. T. U., was reported as not desiring to serve again, so Mrs. Anderson, the valiant standard bearer of North Dakota, was selected. Mrs. Helen M. Barker felt that, on account of her health, she could not serve again as treasurer and withdrew her name as a candidate. "Such a demonstration of affection and appreciation rarely, if ever, falls to the lot of a retiring officer. From all over the house came word flowers and word jewels to their beloved treasurer."

Mrs. Hattie W. Brand, our faithful and efficient State Corresponding Secretary, was elected as her successor. Two years ago, Mrs. Brand, as Corresponding Secretary, arranged for Mrs. Stevens and Miss Gordon to spend a week in Indiana. There being no funds at command, Mrs. Brand devised a financial plan and took risk of deficit. She accompanied Mrs. Stevens and Miss Gordon in their tour of the State. After paying all expenses of the trip, Mrs. Brand turned over \$— to the State treasury for further use in organization. Mrs. Stevens and Miss Gordon were greatly pleased with Mrs. Brand. Her refinement and ability as a speaker, combined with a thorough business training, were unusual qualifications. They said that during all that week of arduous duties, traveling, etc., sometimes visiting two towns in a day and holding two or more meetings at a place, that by previous arrangement every detail was perfected. Evidently, as a result of peculiar fitness, Mrs. Brand has been called to the office of National Treasurer. Thus Indiana is honored in having one of its women chosen for a national office.

SENIOR LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

A banquet was tendered by the Senior Loyal Temperance Legion of Pennsylvania to Mother National on evening of November 28. Covers were laid for 850 guests. This number was increased to over 1,000 by the admission of those who paid entrance to hear the toasts. Even the seats could not be secured. Mr. J. George Frederick, President of Pennsylvania Senior L. T. L., was toastmaster. The excellent menu was furnished by the Battle Creek Pure Food Co.

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Assistant Recording Secretary, Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp, Lexington, Ky.

Treasurer, Mrs. Helen M. Barker, Evanston, Ill.

The following letter was received by Mrs. Luella McWhirter from the President of the Manitoba W. C. T. U.:

DEAR SISTER—I enclose order for forty cents, for which will you kindly send me your State W. C. T. U. paper and a copy of your State report. I sent twenty-five cents last year for the paper, but I do not know, now, to whom, but I got only one copy, but that was so helpful in so many ways that I have wished for more copies of it. The papers may have gone astray in some way, but it does not matter now. If forty cents does not cover report and paper for one year, send it for six months, when I hope to renew.

MRS. E. CHISHOLM,
272 BALMORAL ST.,
Winnipeg, Manitoba. President Manitoba W. C. T. U.

The Greatest National W. C. T. U. Convention was held in Philadelphia, November 29 to December 6. Special Convention numbers of the Union Signal, December 8 to 15. The two copies for 5 cents. Write for these copies. Enclose five cents in postage stamps. Address The Union Signal, Evanston, Ill. Send immediately, before supply is exhausted.

THE ADDRESS OF THE NEW STATE W. C. T. U. TREASURER

Is Miss Clara M. Sears, 222 W. 14th street, Anderson, Ind. We believe it is necessary to have this put in a place where the women will see it, as many complaints came because it was not in a more prominent place in the last issue. Some of the mail is not properly addressed. Miss Sears says, I want to thank the Treasurers who have been so prompt in returning the blanks, also the MESSAGE list. I ask you to bear with me till I can get the subscription list corrected. I believe there are several parties, who are not members, receiving our paper at present. Again, names have been reported to me and in looking over the list their names and addresses are all right. When I think that all the dues from your County Treasurer have been sent in I will send you receipt. By the time this issue reaches you your State Minutes will be in your hands.

PAY WHAT THOU OWEST.

In order to know how to pay what thou owest and to so instruct others, study the subject. Your State Superintendent recommends that each Local Union own as a reference text book, Mr Horn and His Friends, by Rev. Mark Guy Harse. This is published by McDonald & Gill, Boston. Price, seventy cents. Also Money, by Dr. Andrew Murray, of Wellington, South Africa, published by Revell, Chicago. Price, twenty-five cents. You will find a tract of Dr. Josiah Strong, called Money and the Kingdom, which you can get for two cents—one dollar and sixty cents a hundred—from the American Tract Society, 10 E. 23d street, N. Y., of great value for distribution among converts to the Tithing System. Order from Mrs. Flora Miller Morris, Bloomington, Ind., sending one cent each to pay postage, the following: Giving and Giving Up, Mrs. Howe's Black Silk Dress, Questions and Answers About Giving, Ten Ways of Giving. Please appoint a Superintendent of this Department if you have none and report to
ALICE RUTH PALMER,
Franklin, Ind. State Superintendent.

FLOWER MISSION.

I realize very keenly that I have been called to fill the place of one, about whom we cannot speak too highly with reference to her successfulness as State Superintendent of Flower Mission work. However, after the women have been trained by such a leader I feel confident that for the sake of the good work, if for no other reason, they will not cease their energetic efforts.

It seems to me the work in this department is the sweetest and easiest work in all the different departments of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Remember our Heavenly Master said, "Inasmuch as ye do it unto the least of these, my brethren, ye do it unto me;" so let us consider our day's work incomplete without some kind word, some helpful service or a sweet flower has been left to cheer one in need.

Let us endeavor to have Indiana again, next year, stand at the head not only in pledge signing but in her Flower Mission report. Let us be more careful about visiting our institutions and leaving some token bearing one verse of scripture, for kind work never falls unheeded, as our Leader and Master is ever watchful.

Remember, too, the weary clerk, as he day by day tolls behind the counter. I know that a kind word, a dainty dish, or a pretty flower often would find a response if only we would think to do this. Let us be more careful this year to serve the needy and distressed and to attend to their wants, especially to remember the sick.

God, from his abundance, has promised to bless us this year if we but ask. So let us start out with a fervent prayer that we may accomplish much in this department, not for honor to ourselves, but to Him and that we may lead others to Christ.

In order that our work may be properly reported let us each keep our own reports and see that they are sent to our County Superintendents that I may receive them, thus obtaining a complete account of the work done. The blanks will be sent to the different Superintendents in due time, that I may get my reports in by March, then again in September. I feel that two reports a year are sufficient in this department.

I do most sincerely trust that our women will feel free to write to me concerning this work, for I will gladly answer all letters and send all literature that I can.

Martinsville, Ind.

HAZEL K. TONER.

PURITY AND MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

I have secured quite a supply of literature from which you can glean many good suggestions and ideas for your Purity and Mothers' Meetings. I am anxious to share them with you and will send a package to every Superintendent who will apply with stamps to pay postage.

Dear sisters, ours is a great department. Shall we not commence early to sow the seed and ask God to so bless the labor of our hands that this coming year may be fraught with better results than any previous year? Remember, eternal vigilance is the price of liberty. Let us work as though the success of this great reformation depended upon what we do, then let us pray and trust our Heavenly Father as though it all depended on God. I will also furnish some Purity pledges to those who desire them and will use them.

Hartford City, Ind.

MRS. S. M. STAHL,
State Superintendent.

DEAR EVANGELISTS AND SUPERINTENDENTS—That you may be assured of my remembrance of you, I send you a loving New Year's greeting. I wish I could take each one of you by the hand and spend a few hours with you in prayer and consultation as to the best methods of increasing the efficiency of our department work. If my strength holds out and my loved ones keep well, I will be engaged in revival work until some time in February. I earnestly ask to be remembered in your prayers, that I may be used of God in the salvation of souls and the upbuilding of believers in the most Holy Faith. I want to be as helpful to you as I possibly can. I will endeavor to promptly answer all letters and to give you any suggestions that you may need in the prosecution of your work so far as I am able to do. Last year, at the Cincinnati convention, our World's and National Superintendent, Miss E. W. Greenwood, together with the National Evangelists present, arranged a program for a two days' Evangelistic Institute. This was printed in Miss Greenwood's Recommendations for 1904, which I have sent to many of you. I have a few more copies, which I will gladly furnish you upon your request. As soon as her Recommendations for 1905 are out you can obtain them by sending to her at 294 Stuyvesant avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y. Also she will gladly furnish you a copy of the 1904 Recommendations. Please either get them of her, or me, that you may know what our special work will be for this year and may have the helpful suggestions it contains. I have given out all the copies of the Plan of Work arranged by myself for our State work and I have hardly deemed it necessary to have another leaflet printed, as I can send you frequent messages through our State paper. I will gladly receive any suggestions from you which will make our department more helpful. I hope you are keeping a faithful record of the work you are doing and report to me in March and September. Read the following list of questions and I earnestly ask

that you may answer them in the order printed, that I may more easily make out my report for the State and national. My heart goes out to you in sisterly love and fellowship and I pray that this may be the best year of your lives; first, in your own spiritual growth and development and second, in the work accomplished for the Master. The questions appended will indicate the lines of work. I hope you can arrange for W. C. T. U. Evangelistic institutes, using the program printed as nearly as possible.

ELIZABETH M. HAUGHTON,
State Superintendent.

SUGGESTIVE PROGRAM FOR W. C. T. U. EVANGELISTIC INSTITUTES.

EVENING.

Opening Exercises.
Sermon and Explanation of the Institute.

FIRST MORNING.

Devotional Exercises.
Ten Minute Paper or Address—Methods of Bible Study.
Three Minute Discussion.
Application to Home—School—Social Life.
Hymn or Solo.
Paper or Address—The Evangelistic Department—Its Aims.
11 A. M.—Bible Exposition and Consecration Meeting.

AFTERNOON.

Devotional Services.
Paper or Address on the Ministry of Song.
Address—Young Woman's Place in the Evangelistic Work of the W. C. T. U.
Discussion. Hymn or Solo.
Paper or Address—The Evangelistic Department and Mothers' Meetings.
Discussion.

SECOND EVENING.

Evangelistic Sermon.

SECOND DAY.

Devotional Service.
Character Study or Drill, Locating Texts—Bible Books and Characters.
Address or Paper—Sabbath Observance.
Address or Paper—Systematic Giving.
Solo or Hymn.
Address or Paper—Purity.
11 A. M.—Bible Exposition.
12—Noontide Prayer and Adjournment.

EVANGELISTIC REPORTS.

The following questions will be asked each State Superintendent at the end of the year: Did you seek to secure religious and moral teaching in your schools and with what result?.....Have you held W. C. T. U. Evangelistic Institutes?.....How many temperance addresses have been given before conventions or regular meetings of Christian Endeavor and Epworth League Societies?.....Did you as State Evangelistic Superintendent secure an issue of your State paper in the interests of the Evangelistic Department?.....What work has been done in almshouses?.....

LIST OF QUESTIONS.

Number of evangelical meetings?.....How many in churches?.....How many in prisons and jails?.....How many in penitentiaries?.....How many in halls?.....How many in cottages?.....How many Mothers' Meetings?.....How many in school houses?.....How many on ships or in forts?.....How many out-door services?.....How many visits made by Union?.....How many conversions?.....How many Bible readings in Union?.....How many signatures to pledge?.....How many pages temperance literature distributed?.....Only figures can be given in the Annual Report, hence such States as summarize have honorable mention.

ANTI-NARCOTIC PLAN OF WORK, 1904-5.

I am afraid my plan of work will be like William J. Bryan's silver speeches; nothing but a reiteration of the same subject. I still believe in the power of petition. In the report of the Legislative Committee of the International Reform Bureau, is this sentence: The Berean's Legislative Committee is glad to report, to the credit of Congress and for the encouragement and rebuke of good citizens, that in the eight years of the Berean's history no moral measure has failed to pass, for which public opinion has adequately expressed itself in petitions, letters, telegrams and living deputations, nor has Congress failed to defeat any immoral measure, against which, by the same means, adequate popular protest has been made. Among the Berean's plans for 1904-5 are two measures of the greatest interest to workers in the Anti Narcotics Department. The first is a world movement to constrain England to release China from treaty compulsion to tolerate the opium traffic. England has 2,973,500 acres in India given over to the cultivation of opium and the 600,000,000 human beings in Asia are exposed to the evil of the opium traffic as legalized by the British. The third measure is a National Anti-Cigarette law. Can we not help in this work by securing signatures from all organized bodies of men and women and from individual voters?

Mrs. Stevens, National W. C. T. U.'s President, has this recommendation in her annual address and message: That the various States shall work for a law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarettes; also, for a law prohibiting the sale to minors of tobacco in any form. Judge Stubbs, of the Indianapolis Juvenile Court, promises that a very strong law will be presented to the State Legislature this winter. Now is the time to begin work. State what you want on your petition, both National and State. Get your signatures and I will send them to the proper persons, or send them to me for the proper form of petition and send them yourselves. In the meantime do not neglect the children; form Leagues

whenever possible and do ask every child you meet to sign the Anti-Cigarette Pledge card. These cards are only 10 cents per 100, so can be used freely with little expense. I think you cannot begin to pledge children too young. A mother said to me recently, my husband has never smoked, but my son, who is almost a baby, is continually buying sugar pipes and cigars. He will pretend to smoke a pencil or anything else that has the least resemblance to a cigar. If the little boys are told of the danger in tobacco, in a way easy to comprehend and a pledge card given them, even if mother has to sign it for them, they will understand that it is a promise and it will surely prove a restraint and safeguard when he enters school, where the cigarette habit is often contracted during the first year. So I say, pledge the babies. I would also ask all persons, whether Superintendents in this department or not, to report work done to me. I will send blank reports to any person wishing them.

Mrs. E. G. SMITH,
1917 Highland Place, Indianapolis. State Superintendent.

FRANCHISE.

I hope every Corresponding Secretary of a Union having a Superintendent of Christian Citizenship has sent her name to the new Superintendent, so that you may help her to do much more than we did last year.

One more favor, dear Secretaries. While you have your pen in hand, please send me the name and address of every Superintendent of franchise. I hope to receive a long list of them in a few days, for surely women must be interested in this department. Tell me of good papers read in your Unions and of helpful literature you have used; and of anything that will help us to make this a good year for woman's cause.

LAURA M. THOMPSON,
Greensburg. State Superintendent.

Premiums offered in the Medal Contest Department for the year. To the local W. C. T. U. sending in the largest amount of money from a contest held for the benefit of the Hadley Industrial School, during the quarter ending March 15, 1905, I will give a small gold medal, value \$5.00. To the county superintendent holding the greatest number of contests during the year, W. C. T. U. silver medal will be given. To the local superintendent holding the greatest number of contests, I will give ten contest books.

JULIA OVERMAN,
Marion, Ind. Superintendent.

THE CHURCH AND THE SALOON POWER.

The saloon is the chief and most audacious law-breaker of the age. It is the arch destroyer of all that is dear to man. It is sleepless, restless, insatiable, mighty. There is but one power in the land that is stronger, and that is the Church. If the saloon is to be overthrown the Church must overthrow it. Will she? The question is one of purpose, not ability. She can do whatsoever she will in this all-important work. The service which the Church has already rendered in antagonism to the saloon is not, by any means, to be disparaged. On the contrary, it is to be acknowledged as well nigh invaluable. More than all other agents, she has rescued perishing inebriates, and softened the hearts of those who were forcing their brothers down to drunkards' graves.

She, more than anything, or more than anybody else, has created the sentiment which rules dramsellers out of respectable society, and places drunkard-making in the list of crimes. Nearly all of her denominations have cried aloud against the drink traffic, and have denounced it in unmeasured terms; and some of these denominations have so legislated that none of their members can lawfully buy, sell or use as a beverage the deadly liquid. All honor to the Church for her warfare against the saloon! We give to her great credit and thankful praise. Unquestionably she has been, and still is, in the van. Nevertheless, we are persuaded that, before she can fully accomplish the great mission to which we believe God has called her, she must take a much longer step in advance and strike far heavier blows.—Bishop Fitzgerald.

HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

REPORT ON THE \$1,000 FUND.

Reported to last MESSAGE.....\$369.38
Received from Anna A. Eberly, Boswell..... 1.00
" " Emma Bosler, Indianapolis..... 1.00
Total.....\$371.38

These two are the only ones who have contributed to this fund since reporting to the State Convention. But since that time Jeffersonville Union has sent \$5. Benton County W. C. T. U. sent \$10 and Coloma Union \$6.55, which was the proceeds of a contest and Mrs. Helen Sherfey sent a thank offering of \$10 (and we are glad her heart is so large) and all of this has been applied on the coal bill. Many thanks are due these persons for their timely help for Hadley School. We are very anxious that the credit of Hadley School be good, but to be so, we must meet all bills promptly, but we cannot do this without the needed funds and there are several Unions that did not contribute last year to the support of the school, while others made an extra effort to do more than their part, which was very much appreciated.

Hadley Industrial School belongs to every W. C. T. U. woman in Indiana and we would ask those who did not remember their obligations toward the school last year to jot it down in their note books and lay aside for the purpose according as the Lord has pro-

pered them. We have gained much the last year, still there is a hard pull before we are out of debt. We have lately sent \$100 to be credited for the Ridgeway note and we are very sorry that we cannot pay this all off, but cannot unless funds come in faster than at present.

The Big Four R. R. hauled 42 tons of coal for us free and promised to bring another load free if ordered. This is quite a help financially to the school. The pantry shelves are filled with canned fruit and several bushels of potatoes are stored away and we have plenty of corn to feed the stock for the year and with every White Ribboner doing her part toward the support of the school this year I am sure Hadley Industrial School would be on a good financial basis. Our girls are getting along well in the public school. They are in good health and seem very happy and contented.

MATTIE E. H. CHANDLER,
State Treasurer.

SUMMARY OF TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT.

RECEIPTS	
Dues from 1903.....	\$9 00
For convention funds.....	69.35
All receipts from Hartford City Convention..	93.14
For Hadley Industrial School.....	72.60
National memorial fund.....	16 00
Thank offerings.....	32 51
Legacy from Ridgeway estate.....	100 00
Life Membership, Mrs. Steckle.....	25.00
Sale and advertisements of State Minutes.....	107.30
L. T. L. dues and graduating dues.....	26.60
State dues.....	3,094.40
Interest on endowment fund.....	31.20
Sale of literature and all other sources.....	219 43
Total.....	\$3,896 53

DISBURSEMENTS.	
National lecturers—	
Mrs. Lake, Hartford City.....	\$30.00
Dr. Anna Shaw, Greensburg.....	20.00
General officers' expense to Hartford City.....	18 00
State printing.....	129.60
Local Convention expenses, 2 conventions...	69.35
For Hadley Industrial School.....	72 60
National memorial fund.....	16 00
All expenses of sending out Message.....	598.12
Printing and sending out Annual Report.....	241.14
Superintendent's appropriations.....	199.00
General officers, editors' and secretaries' appropriations, postage and office supplies...	1,316.00
L. T. L. dues to national treasurer.....	13.00
National dues.....	482.15
For literature and all other expenses.....	254.44
Total.....	\$3,460.05
Balance.....	\$436.58

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

FRANKLIN, IND., November, 5, 1904.

We have carefully examined the within report and find it correct as submitted by the treasurer, Miss Alice Ruth Palmer. Yours very truly,
A. A. ALEXANDER, O. C. DUNN,
Vice President. Cashier Citizens National Bank.

BRIEF NOTES.

The Elkhart County Press Superintendent, on the evening of December 9, held a musical, literary, temperance and religious entertainment at Nappanee, receiving a free will offering at the door for the benefit of her department and the local Union, netting \$3.00.

The Frances E. Willard Union was entertained at the home of the President, Mrs. W. M. Williams, December 13. Readings of interest and talks, a recitation, The Martyred Mother, by Mrs. Llewellyn. The silk quilt, pieced by the Union for the benefit of Hadley School, was disposed of, the amount realized being \$29.25. The quilt was presented to the Secretary, Dotia Daugherty.

Wabash County Union met in annual convention Thursday, October 6. Had a very profitable, earnest session. Mrs. Stanley arrived in the afternoon and gave a short talk. In the evening she gave a fine address to a full house and it was very much appreciated. The following evening, Farmer's Union had her for an address. We hear very enthusiastic reports from it.

Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer, as organizer, has finished the following amount of work in ten days' time: Towns visited, 5; miles traveled, 335; lectures, 5; sermons, 3; parlor meetings, 6; teachers' county associations addressed, 2; high schools addressed, 3; addresses in graded schools, 11; Y. P. S. C. E., 1; unions organized, 1; new members gained, 36.

The Lebanon Union held a five days' bargain sale under the direction of Local Treasurer Mrs. Mary D. Hendricks. The sale consisted of some new articles, such as comforters, aprons, etc., in connection with second-hand garments. The sale closed with a market of home made bread, pies, cakes, fruit, etc. Over \$25 was added to the treasury. In each package sold was placed several pages of the best W. C. T. U. leaflets.

Mrs. Walmer, President Wells County, writes: Mrs. S. Stanley just finished giving Wells County seven premium lectures to which she was entitled for quarter ending September 15. Made a gain of twenty-three women and fifteen men and turned \$18

into county treasury. Wells County is entitled to six more premium lectures for quarter ending December 15. This will make fifteen premium lectures since June 15. Every Local Union in county except three. We now have eighteen Unions, I presume you know. Two new ones since State Convention and two reorganized. What's the matter with Wells County? Every new Union organized since I was County President, twelve, has had a premium lecture.

Mooreville. Our women, with the exception of a few, are middle aged and I know the W. C. T. U. women are the most busy in the world, nevertheless, we have done some work. Early in the year a thank offering was held, which resulted in much good, financially and otherwise. We have had Elizabeth Stanley with us three times and the last time, October 2, she had a crowded house, which looks hopeful, with a collection of eight dollars. We have held our meetings regularly. Observed Flower Mission with success. The following are our officers, recently elected: President, Eliza Harvey; Vice-President, Viola Harvey; Recording Secretary, Alice Burk; assistant, Martha J. Sumner; Treasurer, Sarah Keller.

LaPorte. Our delegate returned from the national convention, held at Philadelphia, full of cheer and good tidings. Following are some of the interesting reports: That the great work of temperance reform is progressing all over the nation and that nearly every report of the department work exceeded that of last year; that the entire debt was erased from our beloved organ, the *Union Signal*, and that it now wholly belongs to the W. C. T. U. of the nation; the *Crusader Monthly* is also free from encumbrance; several hundred dollars were realized over and above the indebtedness; also a large sum was received for life membership and with the new old officers already in the harness, which was surely refitted and repolished during this grand and helpful convention, much more will be accomplished and reported by next year when our dear sisters will meet in California, where they have the promise assured them of all the sunshine and flowers that they may desire. The delegate, in speaking of the newly elected Treasurer, said this is our own sweet Hattie and all seemed so glad. Another pleasing report was that of our State being on the program on benefit night, having made a gain of over five hundred members during the past year. The delegates were allowed seats on the platform and with a neat little speech from their President, repeated the State motto and sang a verse of the State song. They presented their President, Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, with a bouquet of white chrysanthemums. In regard to hospitality, our delegate thinks the ladies of Philadelphia cannot be surpassed.

Lawrence County. Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer spent eight days, in November, speaking to between seven and eight hundred school children in Bedford, Mitchell and Heltonville. At Heltonville she organized a new Union, with Mrs. Carrie Bennett, President; Mrs. V. T. Alexander, Vice-President; Mrs. John Williams, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Emma Fairbion, Recording Secretary; Mrs. N. H. Roberts, Treasurer; Mrs. Dr. Woolery, Superintendent Non-Alcoholic Medication; Mrs. G. M. Norman, Superintendent Contests; Mrs. Homer Ragsdale, L. T. L. Secretary. At Bedford she gave a very interesting lecture on the W. C. T. U. work in Africa and at an afternoon meeting she spoke on Non-Alcoholic Medication, L. T. L. Mothers' Meetings and their work in solving the liquor problem. The Lawrence County Teachers' Association being in session at Bedford, one hour was given to an address on the subject of L. T. L. and one hundred and fifty copies of the Reply to the Committee of Fifty were distributed to the teachers present. One day was given to Mitchell, where two meetings were held, and much interest displayed by good sized audiences. Miss Palmer secured quite a number of new members to the two Unions which were already organized and added one new organization to the county's forces. She will always retain a loving place in the hearts of the White Ribbon women of Lawrence County and we hope she will come this way again soon.

Spencer Union. Miss Alice Palmer of Franklin and our W. C. T. U. Missionary was with us from Saturday to Monday, November 26 to 28. She met the Spencer Union and gave them some instruction as to the work and how to work, which we appreciated very much. On Sunday morning at 10 a. m. she talked to the Presbyterian Sunday-school on the World's Temperance Lesson. She made it so applicable to this day and age that any one who wanted the Light could see it. At 10:20 a. m. she addressed the people gathered at the M. E. church; then in the evening of the same day we had a Union meeting of all the church at the Christian churches, where was a large congregation to listen to the true gospel of temperance by Miss Palmer. She has no uncertain sound. If she could cast the ballot, she would not cast it with the party that would legalize the liquor traffic, as many of our Christian voters do. We believe she was the woman sent of God to this place at that special time, the World's Temperance Sunday. She sowed good seed and according to the word of God it will bring forth an abundant harvest. Many have said she is fine.

A Short Sketch of what the women of the Elkhart Central Union has been doing. First, two of our members were married. Miss Cordelia Clark married Mr. Sudborough and Miss Madge Work (our Press

Superintendent) was married October 26 to Mr. Orville Kemp, a young merchant of this city and a clean Prohibitionist. We bespeak for them a bright future. Work in Purity in Literature and Art; had one very interesting meeting at Mrs. Davis'. Rev. O. V. Wheeler gave a fine address on Purity in Literature and Art, followed by Mesdames Vail, Davis and Cunningham, of Goshen and Rev. Tompkins of Elkhart. The Superintendent has given out three thousand pages of literature. Two meetings have been held in interest of Sabbath Observance and Total Abstinence; pledges presented to three Sunday-schools; gave out 1,500 pages literature and instead of observing World's Temperance Sunday we had fifteen sermons preached the Sunday before election, thinking we might influence some ballots for our Prohibition candidate for governor, which I am sure we did. The work seems to move so slow; so hard to get Superintendents not only in our own county, but in the State as well, that are willing to take up the work and especially do I find it so in Literature and Art. It seems to me God gives us time for less important things. I wonder if he would not give us time for this work? Won't some one volunteer to try it and receive the blessing?

R. C. TRAVIS,
State Superintendent.

Marion County News Items—In speaking of State Jubilee night, the latest issue of the *Union Signal* says, a new word has been coined which will properly express the spirit of exaltation which abounds on that night. It is uphistedness. We in Marion County are glad the word was coined, as it expresses our feeling, when we think that this county has the honor of being the home of the newly elected National Treasurer, Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, called by most of the women in the County, our Hattie Brand. It surely shows great appreciation of Mrs. Brand's hard work and constant study, when such an honor came to her unsolicited. Central Union in Indianapolis, of which Mrs. Brand is a member, planned a home-coming reception for her December 16, but Mrs. Brand was called to Evanston. The reception will be given whenever she makes her appearance and will probably be made a County function.

Mrs. Mary Moody, well known over the State as an earnest temperance worker, also probably the most loved woman in Marion County, is very ill with typhoid fever. Mrs. Moody has done good work in nearly every department carried by the W. C. T. U. in the last twenty years and her assistance and advice to new workers was invaluable. Mrs. Moody had planned a winter of hard legislative work, being much interested in the petition for a State laboratory and also in a stronger tobacco law.

Meridian Union in Indianapolis, Mrs. Mary Sims, President, is doing splendid work this year. In October a reception was given the members of the Y. Branch, organized by this Union years ago. Most of the girls are now mothers of families, who realized their need of the help of the W. C. T. U. in their efforts to raise good citizens and so reunited with Meridian Union. At the November meeting eight new members were secured and in December four more united with this Union. Meridian Union has planned to hold several public meetings during the year. The first will be held in College Avenue Baptist Church, when Judge Stubbs will lecture on cigarettes. The second will be a Frances Willard memorial service held in Central Christian Church the second Sunday in February. A third meeting will be held in United Brethren Church. This will be a Prohibition meeting and will commemorate Neal Dow.

Mrs. Martha Gipe, president of Marion County, also superintendent of the Department of Mothers' Meetings and Purity, was invited by the Union in Bridgeport, Ind., to conduct a Mothers' Meeting. The church in which this meeting was held was filled. Eight new members were added to the Union and others expressed their intention of uniting with the W. C. T. U. in their efforts for the betterment of the human race.

Mrs. Gipe also conducted a Mothers' Meeting in Central Union in Indianapolis in November. She spoke of the freedom in the manners of our young people in public places and urged mothers to watch their girls and boys more closely. Mrs. McWhirter, president of this Union, led the conversation. Members of four Unions were present on this occasion.

A year's subscription to the *Union Signal* was given by the National Superintendent of Press Work to the Marion County Press Superintendent for the best scrap book prepared during the past year, although the book had attended two previous conventions in Indiana and was much soiled. The press in Indianapolis has dealt very generously with temperance people during the past year and the clippings filled a 57 page book.

Rev. Charles Criley and wife presented Central Union with fifty testaments for use in the comfort bags, made and filled in Central Union. Mrs. Frances Williams and Mrs. Florence Smith donated the testaments used by Frances Willard Union for the same purpose.

Mrs. E. G. SMITH,
Press Reporter.

IN MEMORIAM.

SUSAN THOMPSON—New London, Howard County, Union has been made sad by the removal of Aunt Susan Thompson, one of their most faithful, loyal, loving members. She became a member of this Union in March, 1880, and has always been ready to do her part in everything. She loved the Sabbath day and the burden of her heart of late has been the desecration of this day.

NATIONAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTION.

(Continued from first page.)

The speakers were Mr. Frederick Alden Mills, of New York, Miss Maude Rice, of Pennsylvania; Mr. Floyd Starr, of Michigan, Miss Edith Hillis, of Indiana, Mr. Harry Kendall Bassett, of Wisconsin and Rev. Charles Wesley Burns, of Pennsylvania. These young people were fine speakers and won laurels for their cause. Our own Miss Edith Hillis brought honor to herself and to Indiana. Miss Anna Gordon responded to the toast "Our Host" and was given an ovation. Mrs. Rice, National Secretary of the L. T. L. branch, spoke enthusiastically of the work and development of the L. T. L. Mrs. Stevens closed with a benediction.

Y. W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Clara Parrish Wright, General Secretary of the Young Woman's Branch not being present, her time on the program was given to State Y. Secretaries. Twelve of these young women spoke of their work in about as many minutes—it was a most significant feature of the program. Our Miss Clara Sears, so many years State Y. Secretary of Indiana, spoke beautifully of our work and workers.

GAINS IN MEMBERSHIP.

Nine States were on the honor roll, having made a net gain of 500 or more members: Ohio, 2,013; Illinois, 1,255; Pennsylvania, 1,034; Nebraska, 765; Indiana, 618; Kansas, 609; New York, 606; Maine, 519; Southern California, 515.

Twenty-four other States report good gains; some well up to the requisite 500; West Washington made a gain of 392.

By change of Constitution the Vice-Presidents at large of States were made members of the National Convention. Mrs. Stella B. Irvine, National Superintendent of Sunday School Department, offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That this Convention hereby expresses thanks to Sunday School Lesson writers and publishers of Sunday School literature for the manner in which they are augmenting our efforts for temperance work in the Sunday Schools and also that we express thanks to Mr. Marion Lawrence, International General Secretary, Dr. John Potts, chairman of the International Sunday School Lesson Committee and to all international and State field workers who are presenting practical methods of Sunday School temperance work.

Resolved, That we petition the International Sunday School Convention, to be held in Toronto, 1905, to endorse the movement for a temperance department in State and county Sunday school associations, and urge that other practical lines of Sunday school temperance work be considered.

NATIONAL CONVENTION ITEMS.

Indiana's delegation was full with exception of our State Recording Secretary, Mrs. Gibson and State Y. Secretary, Miss LaDrew, Mrs. Mary H. Hiley Hall as National Superintendent and Mrs. Elizabeth Houghton as National Evangelist. The personnel of the Convention has never been excelled. All of our own white ribboners whose names are familiar in the national temperance work were present.

On Welcome Night our State President, Mrs. Vayhinger, made one of the responses. The *Union Signal* in speaking of her address said, "delighted the audience with a masterly address given in a voice that was in perfect harmony with her magnificent physique."

Indiana was one of the nine States on Jubilee Night for having made a net increase in membership of 500 members. The program was arranged by the nine State Presidents. It consisted in allotting eight minutes time to each of the nine States to use as they severally desired. Indiana's President spoke briefly and introduced Mrs. Stanley as our brilliant State lecturer. Mrs. Brand as head of organization and Mrs. Walmer as President of the county, having organized the most Unions—each one of these spoke briefly and to the point. The Indiana song was sung; after which, for the delegation, Mrs. W. H. Blodgett of Indianapolis presented Mrs. Vayhinger with a bouquet of chrysanthemums. Every State President received some token from her delegation.

Mrs. Brand was made a member of the Resolutions Standing Committee at the Cincinnati Convention; served during this year and at this Convention. Mrs. McWhirter was elected President of the W. C. T. U. National Press Association for this year.

Dr. Baily of the Spiceland Sanitarium and General B. A. Richardson, of Indianapolis, dropped in at the National Convention, where they commented as follows:

"General, you will scarcely find assembled for any other purpose, so fine looking and intelligent a company of women, will you?"

"I was just thinking, doctor, that the cause which is supported and championed by such a company of noble and earnest women, must certainly prosper and eventually prevail."

DEPARTMENT HONORS TO INDIANA.

The medal contest banner was awarded to Indiana.

The Flower Mission Department gave Indiana place of honor for having secured greatest number of signatures to total abstinence pledges, 814.

The Non-Alcoholic Department classed Indiana as one of the foremost States in all phases of work. Our Superintendent, Mrs. A. T. Whitson, energetic and aggressive, has annually contributed a supplement to the *Message* on the department.

Miss Laura Cammack, our State Superintendent of Press Department received honorable mention for excellent work by Mrs. Horning, National Superintendent.

Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, of Indianapolis, Press Superintendent of Marion County, was awarded the prize for the best scrap book made in the nation.

THE UNION SIGNAL AND THE CRUSADER MONTHLY.

By action of the last Convention the *Union Signal* and the *Crusader Monthly* became, for the first time, the property of the National W. C. T. U. The entire unpaid amount of the purchase price, about \$3,000, was contributed by members and friends during the Convention. The *Crusader Monthly* was made entirely free from debt and a generous amount donated to its management. Besides all this, nearly \$250 was given to President Stevens toward the philanthropy fund of the *Union Signal*.

MRS. STEVENS' ADDRESS.

The annual address of President Stevens was statesmanlike, comprehensive and replete with facts which made it most interesting. It will be given in full in the National Annual Report, price 15 cents; to be had of the National Treasurer, National W. C. T. U., Rest Cottage, Evanston. A copy should be in the hands of every W. C. T. U. worker.

GUESTS INTRODUCED TO THE CONVENTION.

Rev. Dr. R. H. Conwell pastor of the Baptist Temple; Mrs. Blankenburg, of the National American Woman Suffrage Association; Miss H. E. Dunhill, of India; Rev. Wilbur F. Crafts, Ph. D., Washington, D. C., President International Reform Bureau. Rev. Anna Shaw, President American Woman Suffrage Association. Dr. David Stuart Dodge, President of the National Temperance Society. Rev. S. E. Nicholson, Secretary, National Anti-Saloon League. Mr. Joshua L. Baily, many years President National Temperance Society; Mrs. Hannah K. Schoff, President National Congress of Mothers; Mrs. Ella A. Boole, Secretary of the Woman's Board of the Presbyterian church; Dr. Cordelia H. Greene, of Castile, N. Y.; Mrs. Maria C. Weed, of New York, lecturer on Mormonism for the International Council of Women; Mr. John M. Shrigley, of Philadelphia, President of the Williams Memorial School for Boys; Rev. J. F. B. Tilling, of London, England, the honored father.

Miss Christine Tining, World's Missionary for W. C. T. U.; Dr. C. H. Mead, of New York; Mr. Charles R. Jones, State Chairman of the Prohibition Party; Mrs. Mary H. Way and Elizabeth B. Passmore, Fraternal Delegates from the Baltimore yearly meeting of the religious society of Friends; Professor Charles Scanlon, Field Secretary of the General Assembly's Committee on Temperance of the Presbyterian church, U. S. A.; Mrs. Anna Cooper Lippincott on behalf of the Toronto Canada Conference of Friends; Miss Arabella Carter, Secretary of the Universal Peace Union; Rev. C. W. McColl, Field Secretary of the Philadelphia Bible Conference; Miss Gertrude Rumsey, Y. Evangelist for the Bermuda Islands; Rev. S. Antoinette Esterbrook, of the Seaman's Mission and Tropical Training School, Barbadoes, West Indies; Miss Christine Tining, of England; Mr. Alfred Love, President Universal Peace Union; Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, of the Methodist Episcopal church; Mrs. Howard Lippincott, President of the Mothers' Congress of Pennsylvania; Mr. Irvine, of Riverside, California, husband of Mrs. Stella B. Irvine; Mr. DeLeigh Colvin, National President of the Inter-Collegiate Prohibition Association; Mrs. Kate Waller Barret, Florence Crittenden Missions; Mrs. C. B. Clark, wife of Superintendent of Methodist Missions in Black Hills; Rev. Howard Hoge, of Virginia; Mr. John C. Martin, of New York, husband of Mrs. Emily D. Martin; Rev. Dr. Miller, of Little Rock, Arkansas; Rev. W. G. Robinson, of the Baptist church, Newfield, N. J.; Little Elma Parrish, Graham, Philadelphia; Mrs. Frances J. Barnes, Honorary World's Y. Secretary; Mrs. Harriet F. Crocker, mother of Sallie Crocker, the artist; Mr. Charles Stokes, of Kansas City, Prohibition speaker and editor; Mr. E. M. Sweet, Jr., Secretary of the Indiana Territory Church Federation; Mrs. Mary Gildersleeve, of New York, Secretary of the International Council of Women; Rev. E. C. Dinwiddie, Legislative Superintendent American Anti-Saloon League; Rev. Mecca Varney, of Illinois; Rev. Silas D. Swallow, of Pennsylvania, recent candidate for President of United States on the Prohibition ticket; Dr. Stevenson of the National Reform Association; Mrs. John D. Bidwell, of California, widow of Gen. Bidwell; Miss Ella Gilbert Ives, our Boston poet; Rev. S. H. Cummings, of the Baltimore Conference; Miss Hanna; W. C. T. U. missionary to Burmah; Mr. Bronson Snyder of Indiana; Mr. George May Powell, President of the International Arbitration Council. Besides these a score or more ministers and christian workers of the city of Philadelphia were introduced.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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TEMPERANCE LEGISLATION.

It is gratifying to note the general interest manifested by the present session of the Indiana Legislature in relation to the liquor laws. It now seems probable that the ninth section of the Nicholson law will be amended in spite of the urgent protest of the Indianapolis News and of the liquor men. An effort is being made, under the strong and commendable recommendation of Governor Hanly, to have the remonstrance stand for two years against all applicants and as it should be, have remonstrances directed against the business instead of primarily against individuals engaged in selling liquor. Such a change is in harmony with the spirit of our government and of fairness, both to the liquor dealer and to his opposition. No law should be so constructed that the weight of opposition to an evil shall be made possible only by singling out here and there the individual and centering fire upon him without being able to reach the business in which such one is engaged. Such now is the provision of the Nicholson bill and it will be, doubtless, and ought to be amended. It is also probable that the territory over which a remonstrance may be circulated will be extended. An effort is being made to include counties, townships or wards. Such an enlargement ought to meet with no opposition. However, in view of the hostility of the Indianapolis News and other liquor sympathizers and liquor interests, it is well for every good citizen to write at once to the members of the Legislature, commending the amendments proposed and urging upon them speedy action. Later the session becomes crowded and it will be more difficult to succeed. Please write a letter or postal card to-day, addressed to your member, care State House, Indianapolis. It is important. Now is your opportunity.

PETERSBURG MERCHANTS' BILL.

The report of the Public Morals Committee on Senator Morgan's Bill to make the jail sentence in the penalty for selling cigarettes and tobacco to minors optional instead of compulsory, as it now is, was approved in the Senate, January 17.

When the bill came before the committee, the Senator and an attorney from his neighboring county, explained the facts behind the bill to the committee. The facts were, that a number of dealers in one of Senator Milburn's neighboring cities, had been indicted for selling tobacco to minors and while willing to pay the fine imposed, they were not willing to suffer the jail sentence.

I ask every W. C. T. U. woman in Senator Morgan's district to insist that three influential citizens and that Presidents of organizations write to their Senator immediately, protesting against this most pernicious bill. The work should be done at once.

MRS. E. G. SMITH,
State Supt. of Anti-Narcotics.
1917 Highland Place.

PROGRAM FOR FRANCES E. WILLARD DAY, FEBRUARY 17.

In the parlors of the best home in the community or in church.

Hymn, My Faith Looks Up to Thee
Scripture reading.

Prayer

Solo, On Heights of Power, by Frances E. Willard.

Quotations from Miss Willard's writings by members of the Union.

Miss Willard { An Organizer;
An Educator;
A Reformer;

by three prominent people; each address or paper not to be more than ten or twelve minutes long.

2 A collection for the National W. C. T. U. Organization fund and for our Indiana Organization fund.

Singing—Rock of Ages.
Invitation to new members.
Benediction.

March first is the birthday of our beloved National President, Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens and it is Union Signal Red Letter Day. From every union new subscriptions should be sent in during the time intervening between February 17 and March 1. The former is Miss Willard's heavenly birthday and should be celebrated in every Union and mentioned in some definite manner in every White Ribbon home. If possible, every temperance family should have the pictured face of Miss Willard upon the wall. Her face is, through the influence of our Unions, being placed in the beautiful art glass windows in some of our new churches and hangs upon the walls of city libraries and high schools. Seven or eight dollars spent in getting a picture and having it framed and presented to a library or school would certainly be appreciated. Copies of the "Beautiful Life of Frances E. Willard" and "A Great Mother" should be in W. C. T. U. homes and in all public libraries.

Mr. William Whitson died suddenly of paralysis on January 8, at his home on North Meridian street, in Indianapolis. His grief stricken wife, our Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, was a former State Treasurer and is now our most excellent State Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication. She, at this time, has the sympathy of thousands of white ribboners in this and other States. During the first year that the MESSAGE was published, there being no fund for its support, the State Officers edited it and Mrs. Whitson, then State Treasurer, kept the subscription list and wrote the wrappers for mailing. Each month the papers were printed and delivered in turn to the residences of one of the three State officers living in Indianapolis (Messdames Whitson, Balch and McWhirter), there to be folded and wrapped by the State Officers. At such times the cordial welcome the MESSAGE and the workers received from Mr. Whitson in his beautiful home and to his bountiful table will ever be appreciatively remembered. During that year, to save expense, the large mail bags containing the MESSAGE were delivered to the post office by Mr. Whitson or Mr. Balch, each having a horse and buggy. Mr. Whitson was a successful Christian business man of incorruptible integrity. He was unselfishly devoted to his splendid wife. Her opinions, desires and pleasures were always kindly respected and she had his cordial co operation in her temperance work. His magnanimity to her found a generous response in her heart and life. By the death of Mr. Whitson the MESSAGE has lost a true friend and the W. C. T. U. a loyal supporter and brother.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

We are already in the second quarter. The first quarter seemed very short because the National Convention came so late. I trust we are really settled down to hard work now, ready for the "long pull, strong pull and pull altogether," which will bring us up to our plan of work. By your efforts in the Local Unions, Indiana won honors at the National this year. If we reach the standard set for this year, we will maintain these honors. We had the pleasure of being on Benefit night, with eight other States of the Nation and our share of the collection was \$10.87. We were very proud to bear this to our State treasury, but doubly glad that we had made the gain to our blessed cause, of women who would help in this battle of home against saloon. As we sat in the L. T. L. banquet hall and heard our Edith respond to one of the toasts in her own sweet, yet convincing manner, we were glad we came from Indiana. And now, dear hearts, will you not co-operate with her and our untiring L. T. L. Secretary, Mrs. Ida Mix, in pushing the work this year as never before? The hope of the temperance reform is in the boys and girls. Let us get them ready to strike the blow which will lay low our enemy and theirs.

I wish I might say something to emphasize the importance of the Non-Alcoholic Medication department. Will you not appoint a Superintendent at once and put her in communication with the State Superintendent, so that some effective work can be done on this line?

I hope we may this year enter and organize in every county in the State. There are friends of our cause in every town and village, if we can only find them. Will you not help to find these and write me of them and I will try to plan for a meeting and organization?

May the dear Father strengthen our love for the work and deepen our conviction that we are to help bring the victory by enlisting others and by persistent work to spread the truth. Write me of your plans and work and if I can be of any service to you I will be glad to serve you. CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

FROM MRS. RALL.

When this letter comes to you in the February MESSAGE the time will not be far distant when I shall lay down my work for the Indiana W. C. T. U. and leave for Los Angeles, California, where I expect to make my future home.

It is with a feeling of real sorrow that I relinquish the work in its many departments and especially in that of my own beloved department of Mercy, of which I have been the head since its inception over twelve years ago.

I have learned to love the White Ribbon women of Indiana and to sever relations and go so far away to take up new duties and make new friends is no easy task.

I can only trust that others more efficient may fill my place and that those now appointed to do the work for the coming year may endeavor more earnestly than ever to carry out the plan I have made for this year, for the prizes I offered in the Mercy Supplement for December. I will give, at the close of the year or otherwise just as they are offered, and I think one will take my place who will endeavor just as

earnestly to advance the cause. Her name will be announced later and I bespeak for my successor the same kindly treatment that has always been accorded me.

I have some extra copies of the Mercy Supplement, which I will be glad to send out to those who can use them to advantage if a dime is sent for postage. It would be well to hand a copy to the ministers of your town. By all means have one Mercy Meeting on your yearly programs, and many helpful hints and helps can be found in the Supplement. I have literature now which I will send out in bundles to any sending 10, 25 or 50 cents, according to amount needed, and remember I send it much cheaper than you can obtain it elsewhere, as I only keep enough to pay a trifle over postage and not the amount it costs me.

Let me urge the dear sisters to take up the work with vigor this year, that such an impetus may be gained as will carry us busily on at Our Father's business through the entire year. Send for the Bird Pledge and try to get every member of your own Union to sign it and then try outside the Union. Ask all your ministers to preach on Kindness to Dumb Animals and if anyone promises to do so send me his name and address and I will send him some helpful literature.

Make earnest effort to take up Band of Mercy work, either as individual societies or in other societies and where practicable have the work introduced into public schools. Oh, what a field we have among children who love animals, to instill into their tender hearts principles of kindness that shall influence their every relation of life for good! Let us not ignore this wonderful opportunity to implant the seeds of kindness and hasten the day when "none shall hurt nor destroy in all His holy mountain."

"He prayeth best who loveth best
All things, both great and small,
For the dear God who loveth us,
He made and loves them all."

And now praying God's blessing on all of Indiana's White Ribbon Host and that they may go on in the future, as in the past, to new victories for God and home and every land, I bid you all a loving good-by.

LOU E. RALL,
Sunnyside, Huntington, Ind. State Superintendent.

The Executive Committee is called to meet in its mid-year session at Mulberry, Clinton County, on April 4 and 5, 1905. It is important that all members be present.

Send to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 1013 N. New Jersey st., Indianapolis, for Total Abstinence Pledge Cards, 25 cents per hundred. W. C. T. U. Membership Pledge Cards, 25 cents per hundred. Flower Mission Scripture Text Cards, 25 cents per hundred. Cards of Condolence, 10 cents each or \$1.00 per hundred. These cards contain tender messages suitable for use during the season when flowers are scarce. With the white ribbon bow attached they make an appropriate remembrance.

A WORD TO CONTEST WORKERS.

The National Superintendent writes me thus: "I simply will not report a contest where there has been a violation of rules." Now, dear co workers, if we want our State to hold the National Banner (now in my possession) for another year, we must observe the following rules:

1. The competing class must consist of not less than six, or more than eight.
2. The selection recited by the winner of a medal cannot be repeated in competing for another medal.
3. Selections must not be compiled, but spoken in their entirety, unless special permission be granted by the State Superintendent.
4. In selecting a class, special care must be taken to select those of as nearly the same age and ability as possible.

A contest should never be held with fewer than six speakers, though it is better to proceed with five rather than disappoint those who are prepared and an expectant audience; in such cases, however, the permission of the State Superintendent must first be secured.

Medals awarded in a class composed of fewer than five members do not make the winner eligible to compete in a class for a higher grade medal.

These are not my rules, dear sisters, but those sent out by the National Superintendent with the imperative injunction to see that they are enforced in Indiana.

JULIA OVERMAN,
Superintendent.

By action of the State Convention the President appointed Mrs. Ella Kroft, Whiteland, Ind., to have charge of the Memorial Services at the Convention of 1905, and requests that the names of those who pass away this year be sent to her, with such notices as will help her in the service.

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FEBRUARY, 1905.

The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union has established an organization fund as a memorial to the memory of the greatest organizer, our dear departed leader, Miss Frances E. Willard. Each year every Union is asked to contribute the sum of two dollars toward this fund for the National and to give at least one dollar to our State Treasurer for work in Indiana. We hope that no Union in Indiana will fail to thus help to build a monument of eternal good through the missionary work of this fund.

FORMER TREASURER'S REPORT.

Oct. 14, 1904.	Ice water fountain, St. Louis...	\$0.50
" 14, 1904.	L. T. L. dues, Palmer L. T. L., Indianapolis.....	1.40
" 17, 1904.	Interest on Farris loan.....	14.75
" 20, 1904.	For Hadley debt, Huntington..	1.25

CONVENTION FUND FOR COLUMBUS.

Coloma.....	\$0.50	
Deputy.....	.50	
Elwood.....	.50	
Normal City.....	.50	
Huntington.....	.50	
Eaton.....	.50	
Frances E. Willard, Fort Wayne.....	.50	
Gas City.....	.50	
Danville.....	.50	
Mary Hadley Y., Terre Haute.....	.50	
Boston.....	.50	
Campbellsburg.....	.50	
North Manchester.....	.50	
North East Indianapolis.....	.50	
Farmers', Wabash County.....	.50	
Fountain City.....	.50	
Burlington.....	.50	
Elkhart.....	.50	
Guilford.....	.50	
Tocsin.....	.50	
Upland.....	.50	
Deer Creek ..	.50	
Back Creek.....	.50	
Warsaw.....	.50	
Edwardsport.....	.50	
Oct. 25, 1904.	Plymouth L. T. L. dues, Terre Haute.....	1.30
" 25, 1904.	Sale Convention badges.....	12.10
" 25, 1904.	Advertisements for minutes...	2.50
" 25, 1904.	Photograph Miss Willard.....	.25
" 25, 1904	Willard buttons.....	1.55
" 25, 1904	Miss Ral's Mercv Supplement	12.00
" 25, 1904.	Sale of tobacco law cards, etc.	.87
" 25, 1904.	Collections from Columbus....	44.00
" 25, 1904	Receipts from contest.....	46.25
		\$151.22

EXPENDITURES.

Oct. 25, 1904.	Redeeming R. R. certificates...	\$1.25
" 25, 1904.	Mrs Lenora Lake's lecture, Columbus, cash.....	30.00
" 25, 1904.	Expenses, musical director....	6.50
" 25, 1904.	" treasurer .....	.80
" 25, 1904.	Telephone to Columbus.....	.70
" 25, 1904.	Car fare treasurer, Columbus..	.85
" 25, 1904.	Transfer of books and literature	.25
" 25, 1904.	Rubber bands and pins.....	.05
" 25, 1904.	Receipt book.....	1.70
" 25, 1904.	Lunches, dinners, one lodging and repairing bannerettes....	2.00
" 25, 1904.	Mrs. Ingalls' ice water fund....	.50
" 25, 1904.	Pound postage on MESSAGE.....	1.68
" 25, 1904.	Clerical work.....	9.00
" 25, 1904.	Mrs. Jones, for Convention fund, Columbus.....	12.50
		\$67.78

ALICE RUTH PALMER,
State Treasurer.

TREASURER'S REPORT, 1904.

RECEIPTS.

Oct. 31.	Central Passenger Association, Chicago.....	\$11.00
Nov. 2.	From Alice R. Palmer, former Treasurer.....	86.44
Nov. 7.	From Alice R. Palmer, former Treasurer.....	342.36
Nov. 14.	For State W. C. T. U. Minutes...	15.20
Dec. 10.	Alice R. Palmer, check for note and interest.....	303.00
" 10.	Dues from Loogootee.....	4.06

Dec. 10.	Two copies of minutes for Loogootee.....	\$0.30
" 10.	From Helen Barker, National Treasurer—benefit night.....	10.87
" 10.	Minutes for Lebanon.....	1.50
" 10.	Minutes for Martinsville.....	2.40
" 10.	Minutes for Elkhart.....	1.50
" 16.	Dues from Bloomington Union...	10.40
" 16.	" " Rising Sun " ..	1.95
" 16.	" " Hattie W. Brand, sale of reports, pledge cards.....	5.80
" 16.	Dues from Newcastle Union.....	6.50
" 17.	" " Topeka Union.....	8.00
" 17.	" " Crown Point Union.....	4.00
" 17.	" " Burlington "	4.00
" 17.	" " LaPorte "	1.95
" 17.	" " Logansport "	7.40
" 17.	" " Delaware County.....	15.20
" 21.	" " Bartholomew County..	9.75
" 21.	" " Winamac Union.....	.65
" 21.	" " Coloma Union.....	.65
" 21.	" " Valparaiso.....	3.25
" 21.	" " Hebron.....	2.75
" 21.	" " Clinton County.....	9.10
" 21.	" " Miami County and subscription for one MESSAGE.....	10.00
" 21.	Dues from Blackford County.....	14.95
" 21.	" " Morocco Union.....	1.95
" 21.	" " St. Joseph County.....	14.95
" 21.	" " Dana Union.....	4.00
" 21.	" " Benton County.....	10.40
" 21.	" " Hendricks County.....	11.05
" 21.	Minutes for Frankfort Union.....	1.50
" 21.	Dues from Windfall Union.....	.65
" 24.	" " Elkhart County.....	10.05
" 24.	" " Huntington County.....	32.50
" 24.	" " Grant "	77.35
" 24.	" " L. T. L., Grant County..	1.90
" 24.	Hadley Union for State work.....	3.85
" 24.	Dues from Wells County.....	66.30
" 24.	" " Whitley County and one copy Minutes.....	7.30
" 24.	Dues from DeKalb County.....	5.85
" 24.	" " Covington Union.....	.65
" 24.	" " Lawrence County.....	10.40
" 24.	" " Albany Union and two copies of Minutes.....	1.60
" 24.	Dues from Boone County.....	13.65
" 24.	" " Allen "	16.90
" 24.	" " LaPorte "	6.50
" 24.	" " Princeton Union.....	3.20
" 24.	" " Washington County and one copy Minutes.....	8.10
" 24.	Dues from Vanderburg County...	5.85
" 24.	" " Howard "	28.60
" 24.	" " Marion County and for 25 copies Minutes.....	23.95
" 24.	Dues from Palmer Y, Indianapolis.....	.65
" 24.	Dues from Morgan County.....	11.05
" 24.	" " Johnson "	2.85
" 24.	" " Owensville.....	4.80
" 24.	" " Clark County, Jeffersonville Union.....	5.20
" 24.	Dues from Vincennes Union	5.20
" 24.	" " Steuben County.....	8.45
" 24.	" " Tippecanoe County.....	15.60
" 24.	Wells County for Minutes, 100 copies	10.00
" 24.	Dues from Madison County.....	14.30
" 24.	" " Owen "	2.85
" 24.	Gosport Union.....	12.35
" 24.	Wabash County.....	2.60
" 29.	Wayne "	14.30
" 29.	Lawrence " Mitchell Union...	3.90
" 29.	Hancock " Western Grove Union.....	5.20

DISBURSEMENTS.

Nov. 10.	Anderson Publishing Co., printing stationary.....	\$28.00
" 18.	Sears Real Estate Co., bond for State Treasurer.....	8.00
" 18.	Mrs. L. F. McWhirter, MESSAGE postage, etc.....	15.49
" 18.	Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack Gibson, expenses to State convention...	6.45
" 18.	Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, expenses to State convention.....	5.35
" 18.	Advance sheet reports and ballots	18.75
" 18.	State convention programs.....	20.00
" 18.	Indianapolis Photo. Button Co., buttons and scarf pins.....	18.00
" 24.	Elizabeth T. Stanley, expenses to Convention, Columbus, Indianapolis, and envelopes.....	10.25
" 24.	Culla J. Vayhinger, expense to Indianapolis, trustees' meeting	6.25
" 24.	November MESSAGE.....	38.33
Dec. 12.	Herald Publishing Co., for printing circular letters, etc.....	17.50
" 21.	To Hattie W. Brand, expense acc. Sept. 15 to Dec. 15, also lectures	28.72
" 21.	Clara M. Sears, petty exp., check for items paid by Treasurer.....	11.79
" 21.	The Daily Star, Franklin, printing 500 contracts.....	1.50
" 21.	Mrs. Josephine Walmer, for gain of 100 in membership.....	5.00
" 21.	Miss Alice R. Palmer, for premium lectures and expenses.....	7.70
" 21.	December MESSAGE and supplement, postage, etc.....	73.02

Dec. 21.	Mrs. Mattie Cammack Gibson, 1 quarter's exp. and car fare to trustees' meeting and postage...	\$5.00
" 21.	Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, expense to National convention.....	25.25
" 21.	Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, two months' salary.....	25.00
" 21.	Mrs. Hattie W. Brand, 2 months' salary.....	62.50
" 22.	Mrs. Mattie Gibson, 2 months on salary or appropriation and expense to trustees' meeting.....	20.22
" 22.	Mrs. Clara M. Sears, 2 months on salary.....	41.62
" 21.	Mrs. Mary Hall, expense to trustees' meeting.....	2.60
" 22.	Union Signal, on purchase price...	20.00
" 22.	Mrs. Ida Mix, one half appropriation L. T. L. Branch.....	10.00
" 22.	Miss Lily La Drew, one half appropriation Y. W. C. T. U. Branch	10.00
" 21.	Miss Mattie C. Gibson, editing Phalanx.....	10.00
" 21.	Mrs. Luella McWhirter, Editor MESSAGE, street car fare, postage, telegrams, etc.....	20.84
" 23.	Mrs. Lou E. Rall, one-half appropriation Mercy Department.....	3.00
" 27.	Miss Susan Clark, one-half appropriation Work Among Colored people.....	2.50
" 27.	Miss Maud Baker, one-half appropriation Health and Physical Culture.....	2.50
" 27.	Mrs. Julia Trish, one half appropriation Work Among Foreigners	2.50
" 27.	Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall, one-half appropriation W. C. T. U. Normal Institutes.....	20.00
" 27.	Mrs. Lida Outland, one-half appropriation for Sunday School Work.....	2.50
" 27.	Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, one half appropriation on Scientific Temperance Instruction	3.00
" 27.	Rev. M. A. Tompkins, one half appropriation on Parliamentary Usage.....	1.50
" 27.	Mrs. Hattie W. Brand, one half appropriation Temperance Literature.....	2.00
" 27.	Miss Laura Cammack, one-half appropriation on Press Work.....	3.50
" 27.	Mrs. S. M. Stahl, one-half appropriation Mothers' Meetings and Purity.....	5.00
" 27.	Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, one-half appropriation on Anti-Narcotics	3.50
" 27.	Miss Lavinia Bailey, one-half appropriation on Peace and Arbitration	2.50
" 27.	Miss Carrie Styer, one-half appropriation Law and Statistics...	2.00
" 27.	Mrs. Mary Moody, one-half appropriation Household Economics	2.00
" 27.	Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer, Summer Assemblies, one half appropriation.....	2.50
" 27.	Mrs. E. M. Haughton, one-half appropriation, Evangelistic Department.....	3.00
" 27.	Mrs. Emily McIntosh, one-half appropriation Work Among Railroaders.....	3.00
" 27.	Mrs. Ellen Davis, one-half appropriation, Jail and Prison Work..	2.50
" 27.	Mrs. Lizzie Heath, one-half appropriation, Soldiers and Sailors...	3.50
" 27.	Mrs. Katie Holler, one-half appropriation, Sabbath Observance...	4.50
" 27.	Miss Hazel Toner, one half appropriation, Flower Mission.....	2.50
" 27.	Mrs. Ada B. Leck, one-half appropriation, Fair and Open Air Meetings.....	3.50
" 27.	Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, one-half appropriation, Non Alcoholic Medication.....	5.50
" 27.	Mrs. Laura Thompson, one-half appropriation, Franchise.....	5.00
" 27.	Mrs. Gertrude Fulton, one-half appropriation, Christian Citizenship	2.50
" 27.	Mrs. R. C. Travis, one half appropriation, Purity in Literature and Art.....	3.50
" 27.	Miss Palmer, one-half appropriation, Systematic Giving.....	3.00
" 27.	Mr. Felix T. McWhirter, check for money to loan at 6 per cent interest.....	301.00

Total disbursements for quarter ending January 3, 1905..... \$976.63
Actual balance in bank January 3, 1905..... 417.40

Total amount received for quarter ending January 3, 1905..... \$1,394.03

NOTE—Certificate of deposit for \$299.00 sent to Mr. McWhirter to loan at 6 percent with the \$301.00.

CLARA M. SEARS,
Treasurer.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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INDIANAPOLIS, IND., FEBRUARY, 1905—EXTRA. SINGLE SUBSCRIPTION, 35c PER YEAR.

EXTRA EDITION—On account of great need of united effort to secure the passage of Parks' Anti-Cigarette Bill in the Indiana House of Representatives.

THE PARKS' PROHIBITORY CIGARETTE BILL PASSED THE SENATE.

PRESSURE MUST BE BROUGHT TO BEAR ON OUR REPRESENTATIVES IN THE HOUSE TO CAUSE THEM TO DEMAND A REPORT OF THIS BILL BY THE COMMITTEE HAVING IT IN CHARGE. IN ORDER THAT IT MAY BECOME A LAW IT MUST BE READ THREE TIMES BEFORE THE HOUSE, RECEIVE A MAJORITY VOTE AND BE SIGNED BY GOVERNOR HANLY.

To kill the bill, great efforts will be made to keep the committee having it in charge from reporting, and thus prevent any chance for a vote on the bill. To DELAY ACTION is the tactics of the enemy. A copy of petition form is given in another column. Copy this petition form with type writer, if convenient; if not, have it PLAINLY WRITTEN on one end of a sheet of legal cap paper, secure as MANY AS TWENTY-FIVE voters' names, or more if you can, and put into an envelope and plainly address it to the Representative from your county. With it send a letter from some voter in your household.

If this bill becomes a law it will be the result of the energetic, persistent efforts of the friends of boys.

THE INDIANAPOLIS NEWS is reported to have the largest circulation of any newspaper in Indiana. In its editorial columns it is unfavorable to the passage of the Parks' Anti-Cigarette bill. Such influence against the bill can only be offset by members of the House hearing directly from many constituents.

On the first page of the Indianapolis News of the issue of February 4 the following news report appeared:

SAYS TRUST WILL STOP CIGARETTE PROHIBITION.

SENATE'S ACTION WILL MAKE LOBBY COME A-RUNNING.

MR. DESCHLER'S DECLARATION.

That Senator Parks' anti-cigarette bill will not pass the House because the tobacco trust will look after the members, is the statement of Louis G. Deschler, Indianapolis tobacco dealer.

Mr. Deschler was seen at the English Hotel, and was asked if he knew that the Senate had passed a bill that would absolutely prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes and cigarette papers.

"No," said Mr. Deschler, "I hadn't heard a word of it."

"The bill went through with only seven Senators voting against it," he was told.

"It's a joke, then," Mr. Deschler said. "It'll never go through. Somebody has tried to pass a bill like that through every Legislature in the last few years, but it never got that far before."

"Nobody expected the Senate to pass the bill, but it has done it," it was remarked.

"But the bill won't pass," insisted the tobacco man. "The trust won't stand for it. There are too many cigarettes sold in the State. There's a world of business in cigarettes in Indiana. The House won't pass the bill. The trust will buy 'em off. The trust knows of it by this time, and will have somebody here by to-morrow."

MRS. ELIZABETH SMITH, State Superintendent Anti-Narcotics,
1917 Highland Place, Indianapolis, Indiana.

FORM OF PETITION.

To the Hon. _____

(Here write name of your Representative.)

We, the undersigned, earnestly petition you to use your influence to promote the passage, in the House, of the Parks' Anti-Cigarette Bill, without amendment, known as Senate Bill No. 51, which prohibits the sale or gift of cigarettes or cigarette paper and provides that a fine of from \$25.00 to \$50.00 be collected for the first offense and from \$100.00 to \$500.00 and a maximum imprisonment of six months added, at the discretion of the court, for the second offense.

Names and addresses of voters: _____

WILL COME IN A HURRY.

Mr. Deschler said, that so far as he knew, the trust—the American Tobacco Company—had no one on the ground to lobby for it, but had said that it wouldn't take long to get people here. The company formerly had an office and several local representatives in the State Life building, but discontinued the office some time ago. Mr. Deschler said that he did not know of any local attorneys who represented the trust.

Three of the largest selling brands of cigarettes that are consumed in the State are put out by the American Tobacco Company. Of these three brands alone the American Tobacco Company has thousands of boxes on the shelves of tobacco dealers in the State, and has spent thousands more in advertising them. Mr. Deschler sells millions of these cigarettes in a year. The nearest office of the trust is in Chicago, and it is from this substation that, according to Mr. Deschler, the envoys of the trust are to sally forth to look after the members of the Indiana House.

One man who has been frequenting the legislative halls is known to be close to the cigarette manufacturing interests, and that is former Senator Baker, of Marion, known as "Cigarette Baker." He is a persistent lobbyist for the cigarette interests, but seems to have slipped up on the present case. He was seen in the Senate chamber a few hours before the bill passed.

BAKER WOULD NOT BELIEVE IT.

Representative Keyes, of Vermilion and Vigo, met former Senator Baker, of Marion, who is looking after the interests of the tobacco trust, at the Denison last night and told him that the Parks' cigarette bill had been passed by the Senate.

"Oh, I guess not," responded Baker. "I am keeping pretty close watch on that. It won't get away from me."

"Well, it has got away from you," replied Keyes, "and the Senate has passed it all right."

"You are mistaken. What you say can not be true, for I am looking after that bill personally."

"All right. I just thought I would tell you that you are up against it."

Later Mr. Keyes was told by Lieutenant-Governor Miller that the bill had passed, and when he ran across Baker again he told him what Mr. Miller had said.

"Oh, pshaw," said Baker. "Mr. Miller has some other bill in his mind. I just talked to one of the Senators, and he said he had heard nothing of it."

It was to-day before Baker found out in truth that the measure he was fighting so vigorously had been adopted by the upper House, and then—well, talk about gymnastics, Baker had them all beaten.

The bill reached the House to-day, but was not handed down for assignment to committee.

LETTERS AND TELEGRAMS from men who voted for your Representative asking him to urge the passage of the Parks' anti-cigarette bill bring results otherwise unattainable.

SISTERS, LET NOTHING prevent you from attending promptly to this matter.

IT IS NOT ENOUGH to ask your Representative to vote for this Parks' anti-cigarette bill. Unless a determined effort is made by the Representatives the influence of the Tobacco Trust will keep the bill from ever being brought before the House of Representatives for a vote.

TWO THINGS THAT EVERY WHITE RIBBONER IN INDIANA IS NOW URGED TO DO.

1. Get four prominent voters, if possible, those who voted for your representative, to write a letter or telegraph him, to immediately urge the passage of the Parks' Anti-Cigarette Bill.

2. To get at least twenty-five prominent voters to sign the Anti-Cigarette petition, with which you will enclose a letter from a voter, then address to your representative to the State House, Indianapolis, and see that it is promptly mailed.

(From Indianapolis Morning Star.)

PARKS' ANTI-CIGARETTE BILL PASSES THE SENATE.

A discussion that assumed surprisingly serious proportions was provoked yesterday afternoon on Senate Bill No. 51—Senator Parks' Anti-Cigarette Bill—and to the surprise of many, the bill was passed, only seven Senators voting against it, namely, Barcus, Durre, Kittenger, Milburn, Powell, Singer and Sticler. Senators Ulrey, Mock, Garland, Roche, and Moore of Putnam, spoke for the bill, and Senators Durre, Kittenger, Milburn and Hugg against it. The essential section of the bill is as follows:

That it shall be unlawful for any person, by himself, clerk, servant, employe or agent, directly or indirectly, upon any pretense or by any device, to manufacture, sell, exchange, barter, dispose of or give away, or keep for sale, any cigarettes, cigarette paper, or cigarette wrappers, or any paper made or prepared for the purpose of being filled with tobacco for smoking; or keep or own, or be in any way concerned, engaged or employed in owning or keeping any such cigarettes, cigarette paper or wrappers, and any person in violation of the same shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall, for the first offense pay a fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$50 and cost of prosecution, and stand committed to the county jail until such costs are paid; and for the second and each subsequent offense he shall pay, upon conviction thereof, a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 and the costs of prosecution, or be imprisoned in the county jail not to exceed six months; Provided, that the provisions hereof shall not apply to the sales of jobbers doing an interstate business with customers outside the State.

COUNTY PRESIDENTS IN INDIANA.

I am very anxious that the Anti-Narcotic Department should be a part of the work of every organized county in Indiana. Educators from every part of the United States condemn the use of the cigarette. Judges of juvenile courts find there is no help for the boy who has become addicted to the habit. We, as mothers, should use every means within our power to combat this evil. A call is issued in this extra edition of the MESSAGE that needs no explanation from me. Will you ask your local Union to work, and work at once, in securing signatures to the petition for this most necessary law? I ask you to work not only for the benefit of other children, but for the safeguarding of your own. This work, when accomplished, will not only affect the children of this generation, but will tell on the class of men following us. Think what the manhood of the future means when 80 per cent of our boys are smoking the deadly cigarette.

E. G. SMITH,
1917 Highland Place, Indianapolis. State Supt. Anti-Narcotics.

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Treasurer, Mrs. Helen M. Barker, Evanston, Ill.

THE ANTI-CIGARETTE LAW of Tennessee has stood the test of the Supreme Court of Tennessee and also of the United States Supreme Court. If the Parks' anti-cigarette bill is passed it will give to Indiana the same kind of a law. For such a law it will pay us to work. Every person who reads this MESSAGE EXTRA should get at least four voters each to write a personal letter to his Representative in the House urging him to secure, if possible, a favorable report of the bill by the committee and his strongest influence for the passage of the bill.

"HIS WORKS DO FOLLOW HIM."

A memorial meeting for Dr. N. S. Davis was held in Powers' Theater, Chicago, on the afternoon of Sunday, October 24. Many noted men were present—preachers, doctors and laymen—and the very large audience listened with sympathetic interest to the eulogies of this good man, whose whole life was given to the work of aiding suffering humanity.

Commenting on this meeting and on the proposition to make such meeting of annual recurrence, a correspondent to the *Chicago Chronicle* says:

Not many Sundays before death Dr. Davis was seen at his house by the writer. In the course of the interview he spoke of his uniform advocacy of, not temperance, but entire abstinence from the use of intoxicating liquors. Though dead, let him still speak.

"I have this one consolation among others, now that I have but a few months, or more likely a few days to live, that I have never caused any man to become a drunkard. In no case since I commenced the practice of medicine have I prescribed beer, wine or any kind of liquor. On the contrary, whenever patients were in the habit of drinking more or less, I have refused to treat them until they had given me their pledge that they would abstain strictly so long as they were in my care." After a moment's pause he added: "If every doctor who has been fifty years in the practice could honestly say the same there would now be thousands fewer drunkards and correspondingly less misery in the world."

He was asked if it was not commonly the case with physicians that they prescribe liquor when a stimulant is needed.

"I shouldn't state it so strongly as that," he replied, "for there are cases where any intelligent physician knows that some other stimulant were better. But I will confess that probably a large majority of physicians some time in their practice recommend whisky. Sometimes this may be done with no lasting evil consequence, but what doctor can surely say when that may be? There is the case of a man who has what is correctly enough called 'circular insanity' and is a periodical drinker; he may nearly have cured himself by the aid of his will, but he takes some ailment and goes to a physician, who, besides giving him a pill or a powder, advises him to 'keep up his strength' by taking a drink once or twice a day. What is the result? Why, he is back where he was before he attempted to reform himself. Another man may not have acquired the drink habit, but after he has been dosed for a time by his doctor with whisky he is in the vice's snare. For this reason I have always refused to give my patients liquor of any kind. Hence I am guiltless of causing any person's ruin, moral and physical."

The foregoing was enough to recall to his interviewer more than one address for temperance reform which he in former days heard from Dr. Davis' lips.

Perhaps the most convincing of these was delivered before the Father Mathew Temperance and Benevolent Society. Summarized, his description of three classes of drinkers is the following: The first is composed of those who have acquired an appetite which is well nigh uncontrollable, although they may consider it as such and often talk of their ability to control themselves.

The second is the fashionable class, and in this are nearly all the women who become victims of the drink habit.

The third class are laborers who are much exposed to cold in winter and to the heat in summer. They have the false notion that liquor is necessary to keep them in health and strength.

Having described the three classes, he proceeds to show the effect of liquor on the human system. In thirty minutes after taking it, it has passed into the blood and gone into the lungs. The texture of the cell is so affected that the entrance of oxygen from the air breathed is so much retarded and the gaseous poisons are by so much retained. A single drink will do this, and cause a lessening of 25 per cent in the quantity of pure air utilized. How can this be, one will ask, when a single drink will make a man lively and sociable? But let him take another drink, and he begins to talk as if his tongue was thick. If he takes still another, he will not be able to talk or walk at all. After another he will be as stupid as a log and all the sound that can be got out of him is a grunt. Why is the effect so different at the various stages of inebriation? It is because, when only one drink has been taken, the alcohol not only went to the lungs, but entered the left side of the heart, and went with the blood through the great artery all over the system. The blood thus disturbed went to the brain and irritated it. It excited the man for the time being. People imagine then that it does them good, that it warms them. But the fact is that they are just as cold as they were before, only they are not so conscious of the cold. It is the unconsciousness of pain produced by the drinking of liquor that causes so many persons who have the drink habit to get their hands or feet frozen in winter. Four-fifths of the persons frozen in winter are drinkers. A total abstinence man rarely has frozen, because he is always able to feel the cold, and so will be induced in some way to warm himself.

Signing of the temperance pledge is a feature of the work of the Father Mathew societies, and Dr. Davis in this discourse alluded to the objection often made to taking the pledge, that it is to part with the signer's freedom. On this head he was eloquent. "Freedom," he said, "is possessed only by the man who is sure of his faculties and has the power to control himself. He alone is his own master." He ended by saying: "Drinking lessens the power of working, either with the hand or brain."

MONEY.

Local Treasurers should always take a collection. Never ask for a penny collection. According to your faith, so be it unto you. Have faith for an increasingly large collection at each Local Union meeting. At all public and evening meetings, take a collection after a rousing speech has been made telling of the moneyed power of the Liquor Traffic and our need of money for agitation and for educational purposes.

Secure the gentlemen for members. They will help by their influence, their moral support and by their dollars. Be sure and secure their services for your annual program.

One way a Union can secure money is to decide to make a silk quilt and when finished to have it displayed and sold at a parlor meeting to which many people are invited, a nice, short program rendered and refreshments served—the meeting to be held in April, before evenings get warm. To do this appoint committee to decide, during recess of the Union meeting, the size and number of blocks and if sheet cotton will be used on lining. When these facts are announced, then begin at that meeting to secure pledges for making blocks and for securing others friendly to the cause to make blocks. Appoint a time when all must be brought to the Unions. Then a time for a quilting, which in this instance will mean sewing blocks together, lining and binding.

An Easter Sale, planned for now and worked for would be both pleasant and profitable. Tiny live chicks are always salable in cities. Many inexpensive little articles can be made that would sell readily. Such a sale will bring in a nice sum of money to the Union that will appoint a committee to secure space in a book store, or some other, besides a dry goods store, where sale may be held the week before Easter. Then ask the girls and young women to solicit articles from everybody who is a friend to the W. C. T. U., of course taking money when offered.

For sales people, select popular young women and young men to act as cashiers in the evening. Continue sale two days and nights, with certain people for certain times. Use as many young people as possible. Some substantial W. C. T. U. woman or two to be present, but not to sell goods. Get merchant, to allow window space for decorations. Use Miss Willard's picture. Announce the sale in newspapers at least two months ahead, so as to pre-empt the time. Afterwards advertise well in the newspapers. Be economical of printer's ink in advertising and you fail financially.

Princess Henry of Battenburg has opened a Church of England Temperance Society sale of work at Bromley in aid of prison missions.

In Malaysia Good Templary has just been planted by the institution of the "Good Hope of Malaya" Lodge at Kuala Lumpur Selangor. Mr. A. H. Lloyd, who is in charge at the prison, was the instituting officer.

The Scottish Temperance League has had a grand celebration of its jubilee, including Sunday services and Monday conversation, in the great St. Andrew's Hall, Glasgow, and a civic reception by the Town Council of Falkirk, where the League originated fifty years ago.

The 34th National Anniversary of Good Templary in England has been celebrated at Birmingham, where the Order was planted by Joseph Malins in 1868, since which time it has administered its pledge to 1,500,000 persons over 15 years of age, and to 500,000 young children. In England there are 2,200 adult and juvenile branches meeting weekly, with 120,000 members, and as many more in the rest of the United Kingdom.

Three million song birds are killed each year for the purpose of adorning women's hats with their plumage.

The extremes of prison accommodations are reached in the Nebraska State Prison, where in each cell is an electric light, hot and cold running water, and in the southern stockade prison, where there are no comforts.

Mrs. W. H. C. Keough, a member of the Chicago Board of Education, is making a vigorous campaign in that city against the sale of dime novels to children.

At the National Convention held in Portland a committee consisting of Miss Anna A. Gordon, Mrs. Marion H. Dunham and Mrs. A. E. Carman were appointed to compile and publish a song book suitable for use in the oratorical and musical contests. This book is now ready and we hope it will be used by all Unions and other Temperance organizations holding contests. Musical Contests are very popular in connection with oratorical contests. "Music and oratory are the twin forces which, rightly developed and guided, will weaken every vice and strengthen every virtue among the people." The book was compiled by Anna A. Gordon and needs no other words of commendation than the selections are the very best obtainable. Many selections are especially fine, and any of them well worth the value of the book. In consulting several of the State Superintendents of the contest department it was thought best that all orders should be sent directly to the National Superintendent. We hope this book will be used extensively and want your orders either by the dozen or single copies. Prices: Cloth .35 cents each or \$3.60 per dozen, express not prepaid. Limp muslin, wire stitched, 30 cents each or \$3.00 per dozen, express not prepaid.

MRS. ADELIA E. CARMAN,
National Superintendent.

The mid-year Executive Committee Meeting will be held at Mulberry, Clinton County, April 4 and 5.

Vincennes Union held its first meeting for 1905 at the home of Mrs. Fowler on North 8th st. Mrs. Partridge, Superintendent of Jail and County Home, reported a good meeting held at the Home January 1. Rev. St. Clair and Rev. Robison conducted the service, while a dozen or more friends of the institution assisted in the singing. At the conclusion of the service a treat was given the inmates, consisting of apples, oranges and candy. This came as a surprise, and was greatly appreciated. Services are held at the Home once a month. Miss Maggie McWhirter, Evangelistic Superintendent, reported a service held at the Orphans' Home on January 1. Mrs. Gilkie presented the life of Christ, from birth to manhood, in a pleasing and instructive manner to the children. A jail service is held every Sabbath, with good results. The prisoners were given a treat on Christmas day.

Bluffton W. C. T. U. held a Press meeting in connection with the regular meeting, Friday, December 16, led by the County Press Superintendent, Mrs. Chas. Hauker. The devotionals were led by Mrs. D. E. Studebaker. The program included songs. A beautiful recitation by Mrs. Fred. McBride was much enjoyed by every one present. A paper was then read entitled, The Press, the Pulpit and the Petticoat, by Mrs. D. T. Smith, who always delights her hearers and did not fail on this occasion. As a White Ribboner we are justly proud of her. Prayers were offered by Mrs. Sarah Gettle. Mrs. W. W. McBride and our dear local President, Mr. Dr. Goodin. There were thirty present, and all seemed pleased with the meeting. Our County President, Mrs. D. O. Walmer, brought back to Wells County almost, if not a complete, report of the great National Convention of the W. C. T. U. at Philadelphia; it was so inspiring and real. Many of us who heard it felt as though we ourselves had been there. Mrs. Walmer gave her report in the M. E. Church on Sunday evening, December 25. She will give her report at all the churches in the city. Mrs. Walmer's report shows she gave all her time and very much thought to the affairs of the Convention, and Wells County has been benefited and helped by her being the delegate.

INDIANA W. C. T. U. NORMAL INSTITUTE—COUNTY SCHEDULE FOR 1905.

SECTION 1.

Grant County, Jonesboro.....	March 30-31
Whitley County, Columbia City.....	April 10-11
Kosciusko County.....	April 13-14
DeKalb County, Butler.....	April 17-18
Steuken County, Fremont.....	April 20-21
LaGrange County.....	April 24-25
Elkhart County.....	April 28-29
St. Joseph County, South Bend.....	May 1-2
LaPorte County, LaPorte.....	May 4-5
Porter County, Hebron.....	May 8-9
Lake County.....	May 11-12
Newton County.....	May 15-16

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Haughton, Leader, Richmond, Ind.

Schedule continued and subjects given in March MESSAGE.

FRACTIONAL.

Allen County, Boston or Monroeville.....	March 13-14
Huntington County, Markle or Warren.....	March 16-17
Wabash County, Mill Creek Church.....	March 20-21
Miami County, Peru.....	March 23-24
Marshall County, Plymouth.....	March 27-28
Pulaski County, Winamac.....	March 30-31
Carroll County, for organization.....	April 1

MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE.

Madison County, Elwood.....	April 6-7
Delaware County, Normal City.....	April 13-14
Jay County, Balbec.....	April 17-18
Hamilton County.....	April 20-21
Boone County, Lebanon.....	April 24-25

Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall, Leader, 285 E. Jefferson st., Franklin, Ind.

TOPICS FOR EVENING MEETINGS.

1. What will the Church Do with the Saloon?
2. Illustrated Lecture—The Effects of Alcohol on Living Tissue and Cell Life.

FOR SABBATH SERVICE.

My People Doth not Consider.

SECTION 3.

Johnson County, Franklin.....	March 9-10
Marion County, Indianapolis.....	March 23-24
Morgan County, Morgantown.....	March 27-28
Henry County.....	March 30-31

MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE.

Clinton County, Mulberry.....	April 4-5
Wayne County.....	April 6-7
Union County, College Corner.....	April 12-13
Franklin County, Bath.....	April 18-19

Mrs. Elizabeth T. Stanley, Leader, Liberty, Ind.

TOPICS FOR EVENING MEETINGS.

1. The Perils of Our Civilization.
2. A Drunkard Factory in a Christian Home.
3. The New Emancipation.

SABBATH SERVICES.

1. Divine Ideal of Patriotism.
2. Joseph of Arimathea and Judas Iscariot.

If preferred, reading will be given—At the Mercy of the State—Babcock, or Who Killed Joe's Baby? by Sheldon.

FRACTIONAL.

Bartholomew County.....	March 6-7
Lawrence County, Bedford.....	March 13-14
Clay County, Brazil.....	March 16-17
Vigo County.....	March 20-21
Vermillion County, for organization.....	March 23-24
Parke County, Marshall.....	March 30-31
Jackson County.....	April 3-4

Rev. Isabel Goodacre, Leader, Flora, Ind.

TOPICS FOR EVENING MEETINGS.

1. Australia—Climate, Religion, and the Temperance Problem.

FOR SABBATH SERVICE.

1. The Beautiful City.
2. Visions.

SECTION 4.

Howard County.....	March 27-28
Wells County.....	March 30-31
Dearborn County, Aurora.....	April 6-7
Ripley County, Milan or Osgood.....	April 10-11
Ohio County, for organization.....	April 12-13
Jennings County, for organization.....	April 14
Jefferson County.....	April 17-18
Washington County, Salem.....	April 20-21
Floyd County, New Albany.....	April 24-25
Harrison County, for organization.....	April 26
DuBois County, for organization.....	April 27-28
Gibson County, for organization.....	April 30, May 1
Vanderburg County, Evansville.....	May 3-4
Spencer County, for organization.....	May 5-6
Posey County, for organization.....	May 7-8
Knox County, for organization.....	May 9-10
Davies County, for organization.....	May 11-12
Greene County, for organization.....	May 13
Martin County, for organization.....	May 14-15
Clark County, Jeffersonville.....	May 16-17

Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer, Leader, 398 Kentucky street, Franklin, Ind.

SUBJECTS FOR LECTURES AND SABBATH SERVICES.

1. The Growth of Giant Despair.
2. The Thousandth Part of Justice.
3. The Modern Moloch.

W. C. T. U. INSTITUTES—PROGRAM 1905.

FIRST DAY—MORNING.

- 10:00. Meeting of county officers and workers. Review of the work accomplished since State and National Conventions. Plans for future work, or Semi-Annual County Convention, or arranged by County W. C. T. U. Executive.

AFTERNOON.

- 2:00. Music. Invocation and Scripture reading by County Secretary. Song.
- 2:15. Welcome by the local President. Response by Institute Leader.
- 2:35. Organization. Appointment of Secretary, reporters, committees on courtesies, membership and subscriptions to our periodicals.
- 2:55. What definite results shall we work for during this Institute? Subscriptions to periodicals, additions to department literature, membership, etc. By the County President.
- 3:10. Music.
- 3:20. Presentation of the *Union Signal*, *Crusader Monthly*, *American Motherhood*, etc., by the Superintendent of Literature. Discussion by Leader.
- 3:40. Opening of subscription lists by committee on periodicals.
- 4:00. Recitation by an L. T. L. boy or girl or a flag drill by the Legion.
- 4:20. Announcements and benediction.

EVENING.

- 7:30. Music. Invocation by a County President. Special music.
- Welcome Night—Addresses of welcome from five to eight minutes each, according to the number of interests represented. Response by Institute Leader.
- Music. Invitation to membership.
- Or, if preferred, the evening may be given to an address by the Leader.

SECOND DAY—MORNING.

- 9:00. Devotional services by a local officer or worker.
- 9:15. How Can the Children? A five minutes' paper by the L. T. L. Superintendent. Discussion.
- 9:30. Household economics, pure food law, etc. A drill or paper by Superintendent of Household Economics. Discussion.
- 9:45. How can young people in high schools and colleges be enlisted in temperance work? A paper by Superintendent of Y. Work. Discussion.
- 10:00. National and State plans and interests to be emphasized this year. Drill and quiz by Leader.
- 10:20. Cigarette and tobacco laws of the State and their violation. Superintendent of Anti-Narcotics. Discussion.
- 10:40. History and meaning of your badge. Why and when do you wear it? Leader. Discussion.
- 11:00. Consecration Hour—Evangelistic Superintendent.
- 12:00. Adjourn for lunch.

AFTERNOON.

- 2:00. Music. Prayer. Special music.
- 2:20. Mothers' Meetings and Purity, Helpful Literature, etc. A paper by the Superintendent of Purity.
- 2:30. A lesson or drill in parliamentary law by the Leader.
- 2:50. The Patent Medicine Question. A paper by the Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication. What world-wide medical authorities say of alcohol in medicine. Leader. Discussion. Music.
- 3:20. Would the ballot in the hands of women tend to purity and reform in government? Presented in four papers or talks of five minutes each. General discussion.
- 4:20. Music. Invocation. Announcements. Benediction.
- EVENING.
- 7:30. Music. Invocation. Special music. A temperance, musical or oratorical contest, or, if well timed, these may be combined. Admission charged for Institute expenses. Extend invitation for members while judges make out report.
- Music. Closing prayer. Aaronic Benediction.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION.

1. How make our scientific temperance instruction laws more effective?
 2. If the army canteen is good for the soldier boy, why is not the saloon good for the boy at home?
 3. How can a union of temperance forces be secured?
 4. Our work at summer assemblies.
 5. The foregoings of the day illustrated.
- The foregoing can be used in an open parliament the first meeting if desired.

Here again is our Institute Program. It seems such a little thing to have behind it so much earnest and prayerful thought, of State and National work-

ers. Yet crude and imperfect as the arrangement may be by your Superintendent it is an evolution of things we now need to consider, which have been coming to us through more than a quarter of a century of consecrated effort, along the lines of our great work for humanity.

The correspondence of County Presidents (sometimes by their Secretaries) has been unusually satisfactory and in many cases prompt. Every letter and card has been an inspiration for prompt and full reply, but such was impossible in the midst of getting out the work for the year and as much of it did not call for a definite reply, I am sure you will pardon me for answering in this general way and especially will you do this when you receive the kind and helpful letters which will come to you from the Section Leaders.

A few of you say you have not received a copy of our last State report. For this send 15 cents to State Treasurer, Miss Clara M. Sears, Anderson, Ind. When you get it, read carefully the Institute Plan of Work on page 59, and also the rest of Indiana's Plan of Work, on the pages just preceding and make your plans well, for organizing a W., a Y., or an L. T. L., or for adding 10 or more paid members at or immediately following the Institute and thus build up your ranks and secure a premium lecture.

Wednesday of each week is the day for organization, unless railroad connection prevents the Leader remaining. Keep her busy.

A few other things you will want to keep in mind:

1. Form your contest class on time and to make it also a great financial success send 35 cents for 200 tickets and envelopes to our new State Superintendent of Contests, Mrs. Julia Overman, 1802 South Branson street, Marion, Ind. Send to her also for books and medals and expect from her a strong co-operation to make this and all contests a success. Some County Presidents are now holding contests to create sentiment and replenish their treasuries.

2. Come to the Institute prepared to renew your subscription to the *Union Signal*, *American Motherhood*, etc., or to take them if you do not already read them. The National is especially desirous that we should be loyal to our periodicals and to our personal need of them.

3. Correspond with your Section Leader in regard to evening services, Sunday services, or any matter pertaining to the success of your Institute.

4. Fill your program and advertise thoroughly. Ask your Leader for testimonials and advertise her just as faithfully as if she came to you from another State, or across the water, for indeed you have preferred your own State workers. Two of them are regularly ordained ministers, in addition to the official recognition given by the W. C. T. U. One of them is a State and National Evangelist. One a State officer and a platform orator of recognized national ability. The other leaves her desk and comes to you to fill a vacancy and to help you and she believes that with your co-operation she can. Just as I was ready to make the schedule for the counties, I received a letter from our dear State President, Mrs. Vayhinger, saying that she had gotten up from a sick bed just long enough to write me. She would be unable to go out in Institute work this year. This will be a disappointment to some counties, whose membership have never met our State President, and to others, no doubt, who would be glad to meet her again. But all with a beautiful spirit of loyalty to our work have said in effect and some of them in words, We will welcome whatever Leader comes to us; any of them can teach us much. As a County President, I am convinced that our Institutes will be just what we make them, or that we will get out of them, in results either tangible or unseen, all that we put into them of thought and prayer and hard, well directed work.

For one, two and three years, New York, Ohio and Illinois have been writing me that they were following closely Indiana's Institute plan. Their victories, both State and National, have been great. Let us in turn emulate their painstaking efforts. Illinois, both last year and the year before, spent over \$2,000.00 in Institute work, and for months kept 22 workers in the field. Ohio, had a gain of over 2,000 members and was first on benefit night. New York has advanced from one hour's Institute work at each county convention to an Institute Session in almost every county in the State. Indiana has made a good beginning for 1905. Let us with one accord keep the work going.

MARY HADLEY HALL,
Supt. National and Indiana W. C. T. U. Institutes.

Mrs. Culla Vayhinger organized a Union, with 80 members, at Madison, on January 4.

Ask your minister to preach a sermon during February on the life of Miss Frances E. Willard.

The Madison County Institute will be held in Elwood March 28-29. The Local Union has already made preparations for entertaining it and we look forward to a successful meeting. Our Local Union is steadily growing under the leadership of our President, Mrs. Adair, and we will soon have enough new members to get our free lecture. At our last meeting the Union voted to present to the Carnegie Public Library a life size picture of Frances E. Willard and the Story of her Life. A committee will present them at the next meeting of the Board. We are so glad to welcome into our Union Mrs. Henrietta Wilkes, attorney at law and daughter of our beloved Mother Trish.

ITINERARY OF STATE LECTURER, ELIZABETH T. STANLEY.

When I last wrote you I was starting to Lancaster, Pa., for one week's work preceding the National and to my great delight found the Pennsylvania women just as aggressive and enthusiastic as my own dear sisters of Indiana. Pennsylvania gained 1033 new members last year, as against 618 gained in Indiana, and they only pay fifty cents dues and each woman takes the State paper if she so desires, but they like our Indiana plan much better than their own and are endeavoring to bring their State up to it. While in Lancaster I visited the grave of Thaddeus Stevens, because, when I was a baby they called him a crank. Now, they build a monument to his memory and hang his portrait on the walls of every school room and in almost every home of the State. It has always been the way of the world to extol dead reformers and crucify living ones. I addressed seven audiences under direction of Mrs. Elizabeth Griest, the efficient State Treasurer of Pennsylvania and when I reached Philadelphia I was invited to address the only juvenile church in the world. I found 500 boys and girls organized into a real church under a young man as pastor. The requirements for membership are a triple total abstinence pledge and a promise to attend church and support it with free will offerings. I also spent one Sabbath in the State Penitentiary, located in the heart of Philadelphia. I found 1,103 men and 23 women in the prison; 18 of the 23 were colored women. The warden gave me the annual report of the Institution, which shows that the saloon is back of a majority of their guests. Since my return to Indiana I have visited Blackford County; had one enthusiastic meeting in Hartford City. Thence to Delaware and Wells; in the latter county, giving seven addresses to enthusiastic audiences and securing 23 active and 11 honorary members. Mrs. Walmer has the people in Wells County so completely under her control that they simply feel slighted if she fails to invite them to join the Union. One man said to me "The W. C. T. U. is the most popular club in town." Sisters, let us make it the most popular, effective and helpful organization in the State. Why not write your Representatives and Senators just now and tell them the women of Indiana expect them to vote for Guir's amendment to the Nicholson law and a little bouquet to Governor Hanly, just now, seems eminently fitting. All our Governors say good things as they retire from office, but he is the only Executive Indiana has had for many years who dared suggest a righteous measure at the beginning of his term and I, for one, propose to ask him to be an honorary member of the W. C. T. U. I mean thus to honor him. Last week I spent four days in Ohio in a local option campaign. The ballots were counted out thus: The women could not be counted and the men voted the saloon in by just three votes. Oh, shame on the State that dares to handcuff its mothers and "fling its citizens to fight or die into the teeth of a traffic with heart of iron and fangs of brass." Push the equal suffrage work as never before, far more than ever. I am convinced that we can never win until armed with the spotless ballot of a free people. Woman stands side by side with her brother man in the solution of problems that so vitally affect her home.

E. T. S.

The following members have changed their residences in Indiana and elsewhere:

Mrs. Cyrus Shannon,	from Rockville to Danville
Mrs. Flora Wyncoff,	from Brazil to 1457 Elm st., Terre Haute
Mrs. Celia Wright,	from Rockville to Coloma.
Mrs. Sarah Connell,	from Elwood to Foltz.
Mrs. Dee Skillen,	from Loogootee to Yorktown.
Rev. Valentine,	from Hartford City to Van Buren
Mrs. Josie Valentine,	from Hartford City to Van Buren
Mrs. Nettie Estep,	from Hartford City to Muncie.
Mrs. Maggie Gilbert,	from Hartford City to Redkey.
Mrs. Maggie Ponet,	from Hartford City to Muncie.
Mrs. Phoebe Roberts,	from Greensburg to St. Paul.
Mrs. Laura Town,	from Michigan City to Greencastle.
Mrs. Harry Cason,	from Hammond to 4245 Wabash ave., Chicago, Ill.
Mrs. C. H. Mudge,	from Hammond to Ashley, Michigan.
Mrs. Frank Wissinger,	from Ravenswood, Ill., to Goshen.
Mrs. W. B. Stoney,	from Hartford City to Jeannette, Pa.
Mrs. Rena Boggs,	from Hartford City to Cushing, Okla.

L. T. L. SECRETARIES AND SENIOR LEGIONERS.

But a little more than a third of this year is now left to us to bring to completion the work of the Senior L. T. L. Shall we not all make the Loyal Temperance Legion the first thing in our lives for these remaining months and make them count for the Senior Legion in Indiana?

I count the trip to Philadelphia as the greatest privilege of the year to me. I have come back to Indiana filled with enthusiasm and zeal, and my sight has been cleared until I can see wonderful possibilities for us in Indiana, and that before our next State Convention, providing every Legioner catches the inspiration of the National and works with a will.

I have greater faith in the Senior Legioners of our own State than ever before. I wish you might all have been with me in that great National Convention and have met the Seniors of other States; then you, too, would have felt the thrill of new ambitions and the proud satisfaction of being a member of the Senior Loyal Temperance Legion.

Indiana is one of the foremost States in plans for work. We fall short only in organization. Our plans were in advance of many—behind none. We had many reasons to be proud of the Old Hoosier State in that great Convention.

I believe that no one can accomplish so much of good with so little of time and means as the Legioner. But, we must have consecration to the work. We must put it first in our lives and make everything bend to it. This is what I ask of you for the next few months. Why not have a State Convention that will have the spirit of the great National? We can easily do that very thing. I am loaded with new plans, new enthusiasm, new zeal and new ambitions.

In the first place, I want to disabuse your minds of the thought, if any of you have it, that only graduates can be members of our Senior Legions. Any one over the age of twelve years can belong to our Legion. Membership in the State organization can be had only upon the possession of a diploma, and all officers in all Legions must be signers of the triple pledge. However, let us make greater effort to enlist all our friends in the Senior Legion, thus increasing the membership, the dues, and, in time, the graduates, for few will come into the Senior meetings who will not, sooner or later, desire the diploma.

Again, let us be very careful about the payment of dues this year. We need funds for the State work. We are trying to boom the work on an almost empty treasury. Why not have each Legion hold one pay entertainment and turn the proceeds over to the State treasurer? Why not do this before our next State Convention? Be sure that every Legioner's dues are paid by the 15th of June, 1905, into the State treasury. Only by the payment of dues are you entitled to a seat as delegate in the convention, even though you hold a diploma. Then, we need the dues for the successful carrying on of the State work. If the Legioner does not pay his own dues, then let the Legion hold some sort of entertainment—a Medal Contest is always good—and from the receipts pay dues for each pledged member.

This leads me to another plan: Among the prizes offered this year, one is for the County with the largest delegation at the State Convention. Once again, call upon your resources and raise the money with which to pay the expenses of all your Legioners to the Convention, provided they cannot pay their own. See to it that no one stays away because of the expense. Let us make it our endeavor to take every paid-up graduate to the Convention and as many visitors as we can. Let us plan largely and we will reap largely.

We have new Senior report blanks. I will send one of each kind to you soon, that you may know just what reports you will be expected to send in by June 15. To better separate the work, I suggest that, where possible, the Senior Legion meet by itself. An evening meeting will be quite satisfactory in many places where the Seniors are old enough for this. Make out a program for a year in advance (six months if you prefer), and see to it that the social and literary sides of your meetings are entertaining and made drawing cards. Make your Senior the most enjoyable, as well as profitable, hour of the entire week. Do not neglect the lessons nor the required readings from the *Crusader*, neither slight the department work, but add something to make every meeting so interesting that every member will want to be there. For instance:

First week of the month, hold your business meeting—reports, required readings from the *Crusader* and any other business that may come before you. Second meeting, a discussion of some important and interesting topic of Local or National affairs, or some questions that present themselves to the Legioners about the work. Third meeting, take some one of our departments of work, possibly having some prominent man or woman of your home town to address you upon the subject. Fourth meeting, a social and literary evening and a parlor meeting. These programs should be made to meet local needs. These evening meetings, with some such program, are proving very successful in other States and I believe would be profitable for us. I have a program filled in, which I will be glad to send to any one upon request.

In addition to the prizes always offered, we have this year the following: To the Legion sending the largest subscription list for the *Crusader Monthly* to our State Agent, Mrs. Monta Cooper, Wabash, R. R. No. 11, from the first of February until the State Convention, she will give a set of six books belonging to the Seal Course. To the Legion having the best program made from the 1905 Convention to the 1906 Convention, another book from the Seal Course. To the Legion sending in the fullest reports, another one of these books. This does not mean merely the largest reports, but those who send reports of all departments and have their blanks well filled in; also, this will mean that all reports are in the hands of the State officers by June 15. Another prize will be given to the Legion paying dues for all pledged members, and one for the County with the largest delegation regularly seated in the Convention. Remember, this is only for Senior Legions.

Our National benevolences for the year are: The extension fund, the Willard memorial organization fund, L. T. L. room in Willard Temperance Hospital. I recommend that we follow National plans as nearly as possible. It was also voted at the National to inaugurate a contest in every State for a National song and rallying cry, these to be submitted to the State Convention and the one judged to be the best to be sent to the National, a committee to decide which State sent the best song and cry—these to become National. In the song the tune and the words may both be original, or only the words. Let Indiana have several to present at our State Convention.

Once again, I remind you that our time is short and we must improve every moment. Indiana ought and will have the greatest State Convention on record in 1905 if we will but put ourselves into the work and put everything else second to our Senior Legion from this time until the Convention. I believe we will do it.

EDITH HILLIS,
State President.

Kokomo, Ind.

Marion County News Items—The first conference of the Department Superintendents of Marion County in 1905 was held Thursday, January 12, in the Second Presbyterian church. County officers, with one exception, Board officers and fifteen Department Superintendents were present, also visitors. Mrs. Lillian Sedwick, Board President, in her address, spoke of the value of each branch of W. C. T. U. departmental work; her address was both interesting and instructive and was filled with the same Christian hope and courage so noticeable in her gifted sister's public addresses. Mrs. Martha Gipe, President of Marion County, spoke of the motherly relation existing between the County President and the Local Unions. She urged Local Presidents to cultivate the same feeling in their Local Unions and advised them to call the Department Workers together often for conference, that intelligent work might be accomplished. Mrs. Lillian Sedwick, Y. Secretary and Mrs. Frances Metz, Secretary of L. T. L., both spoke of the imperative need of work in these branches and of its importance to future generations. Miss Susan Clark, State and County Superintendent in Colored Work, will institute a pledge signing campaign in Colored Sunday Schools this year. Miss Maud Baker spoke of the necessity of living a simple life if good health was desired and gave a physical culture drill. The subject *What Do the Report Blanks Mean to the Organization and to the Industrial Worker?* was ably handled by Mrs. Nina Brigham, County Corresponding Secretary. During the afternoon session, Mrs. Luella McWhirter conducted a Parliamentary Drill; she also gave an extempore speech in her indignation and the manner in which Scientific Temperance was taught in the Public Schools in Indiana. The plan of work given by the Superintendents was practical and much useful information was brought out in the discussion following each plan. Mrs. Amanda Whitson had asked that she be given thirty minutes in which to present the Non-Alcoholic Medication Department, as it was to receive special attention in each State during this year. Mrs. Whitson's recent bereavement made it impossible for her to carry out her plans. At the request of Mrs. Sedwick, Mrs. McWhirter read Mrs. M. M. Allen's address given before the National Convention and recently published in the *Union Signal*. Resolutions of sympathy were sent from the Conference to Mrs. Whitson in her great trouble.

Central Union in Indianapolis will hold four evening meetings during the year. The first was an Echo meeting from the National Convention, held in December. The second will be a Frances Willard memorial service, February 15, at the residence of Dr. Hawley, 1011 North New Jersey street.

Miss Susan Clark, State and County Superintendent of Work Among Colored People talked of her life long interest in this people and of their wonderful advancement in the last forty years. Mrs. Frances Potter gave a brief talk upon the necessity of a manual training school for homeless and friendless girls. Mrs. Amanda Whitson, State Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication, told of the plan adopted in Mapleton Union, of which she is the President. She said: One business and one social meeting is held in this Union monthly. As soon as the necessary business is transacted, the study of this department is taken up, Mrs. M. M. Allen's book, *Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine*, being used as a text book. Mrs. Whitson presided at the tea table, assisted by Misses Ethel and Susie McWhirter.

Mrs. Culla Vayhinger will spend one week in Marion County, beginning February 27. The County will ask for two days of Mrs. Vayhinger's time; the remainder will be spent in Local Unions. A great awakening is expected among temperance people as a result of this visit.

Mrs. Mary Moody, of Indianapolis, has so much improved in health that she will soon be at home to her friends.

A meeting will be held January 19 at the home of Mrs. Frances Potter by the members of Central Union. Mrs. Sallie Lemen will read a paper upon the Life and Character of Dr. Nathaniel Davis. The department of Non-Alcoholic Medication will be discussed by members of the Union. Mrs. Potter will talk upon Rescue Work. Mrs. Thomas Sedwick will lead the devotional exercises. Miss Susie McWhirter, Miss Laura Potter and Miss Miriam Frieze will preside at the tea table. E. G. SMITH.

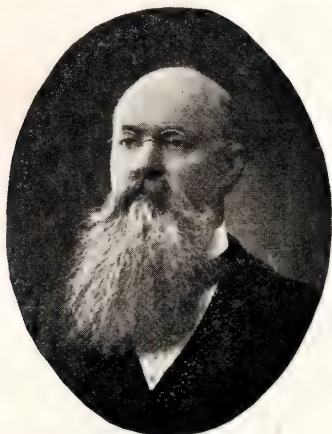
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JOHN W. PARKS,
Author of the Anti-Cigarette Law.

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL No. 51.
A BILL FOR AN ACT TO REGULATE, AND IN CERTAIN CASES TO PROHIBIT, THE MANUFACTURE, SALE, KEEPING, KEEPING FOR SALE, OWNING, OR GIVING AWAY OF CIGARETTES, CIGARETTE PAPER, CIGARETTE WRAPPERS AND OTHER SUBSTITUTES FOR THE SAME; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF, AND REPEALING ALL LAWS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, That it shall be unlawful for any person, by himself, clerk, servant, employe or agent, directly or indirectly, upon any pretense or by any device, to manufacture, sell, exchange, barter, dispose of or give away, or keep for sale, any cigarettes, cigarette paper or cigarette wrappers, or any paper made or prepared for the purpose of being filled with tobacco for smoking, or keep or own, or be in any way concerned, engaged or employed in owning or keeping any such cigarettes, cigarette paper or wrappers, and any person for violation of the same shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall for the first offense pay a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than fifty dollars and cost of prosecution, and stand committed to the county jail until such costs are paid, and for the second and each subsequent offense he shall pay, upon conviction thereof, a fine of not less than one hundred dollars nor more than five hundred dollars and the costs of prosecution, or be imprisoned in the county jail not to exceed six months: Provided, That the provisions hereof shall not apply to the sales of jobbers doing an interstate business with customers outside the State.

SECTION 2. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

VICTORY!

The passage of the Anti-Cigarette Bill by this Legislature was indeed a great victory. From many members of the House of Representatives we learn that they felt the influence of their constituents. In one instance even a cigarette smoker voted for the measure because he said he knew that his constituents wanted him to. How did these men know what their constituents wanted? By the letters received from them and by their names sent in on petitions.

About 6,400 persons were reached by the MESSAGE Extra. Of these, hundreds began active work and great has been the result of their efforts united with those of educators and some earnest legislators.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF MISS WILLARD.

Frances E. Willard was of New England ancestry. She was born in Churchville, N. Y., in 1839, reared in Wisconsin and educated in Illinois at the Northwestern University of Evanston, the largest suburb of Chicago. Here was the family home for well-nigh forty years, and here, beginning in the public schools, Miss Willard, by what she liked to call "honest hard work," achieved the position of dean of the woman's department of the University, and professor of rhetoric in a faculty otherwise composed of men, nearly all of whom had been graduated from European universities. She herself studied abroad two years or more, from 1868 to 1870; French, German, Italian history and the fine arts being the subjects to which her attention was devoted. It was her expectation to be a literary woman in connection with her work as a college professor. She was perhaps more celebrated for her method of school government than for any other one thing at this time. She organized what amounted to a senate and house of representatives of the young women in the college and practically placed their government in their own hands. This method worked so well for the good order of the institution and for the development of a high standard of honor in the young women, that it has since been introduced in many colleges and public schools.

In 1862 Miss Willard wrote her first book, "Nineteen Beautiful Years," which was published by Harper & Brothers, and with an introduction by the poet Whittier. It has been translated into several languages. She also wrote, "How to Win," a book for girls; "Woman and Temperance," a history of the W. C. T. U.; "A Classic Town," a history of the beautiful university town of Evanston; "A Young Woman Journalist," intended to inspire young women to take up a profession in which Miss Willard herself had been engaged for many years. "Glimpses of Fifty Years," her autobiography, of which 50,000 copies have been sold, was written in 1889 by request of the National W. C. T. U. "A Great Mother" is perhaps her best book, containing, as it does, the theory and practice of bringing up children according to her mother's plan, and Madam Willard was in the estimation of every one who knew her, a truly "Great Mother." Miss Willard's handbook for the World's white ribboners, entitled "Do Everything," is packed full of hints and helps for local workers. She also wrote, "Women in the Pulpit," "How I Learned to Ride the Bicycle" and "Occupations for Women."

In 1883 Miss Willard and Miss Gordon made a temperance organizing trip, visiting each of the fifty states and territories of the United States, traveling 30,000 miles or more, from Puget Sound to the Gulf of Mexico, such a trip as has never been made by man or woman in any cause, so far as we know. In the same year Miss Willard founded the W. C. T. U., of which she became president and which has made the white ribbon society known in every English-speaking country of the globe.

In 1892 Miss Willard and Miss Gordon went to England by invitation of Lady Henry Somerset, their devoted friend, and who then led the movement in Great Britain. Here they helped to develop white ribbon methods and to edit the English white ribbon paper. Editions of Miss Willard's books were brought out, thus making her known to the reading public in the mother country. A great reception was tendered her in Exeter Hall, participated in by fifty philanthropic societies of London, with such speakers as Canon Wilberforce, Lady Henry Somerset, Mrs. Ormiston Chant, William T. Stead, Rev. Hugh Price Hughes, Rev. Mark Guy Pearce and several members of Parliament.

They returned to America from this visit in the summer of 1894, Lady Henry Somerset coming with them. The winter of 1894-95 was spent mostly in Boston. In March, 1895, they again went to England. Miss Willard and Miss Gordon came back in time for the National W. C. T. U. Convention held that year in Baltimore. April, 1896, Miss Willard made her last voyage to England, accompanied by Miss Gordon, and it was in the autumn of this year that she and Lady Henry did their notable work for the Armenian refugees at Marseilles, and her interest in their welfare never waned. She reached her native land late in October, 1896, spent the following winter in Castile, N. Y., and the last summer of her life was spent mostly in New England.

Miss Willard presided over the World's W. C. T. U. Convention in Toronto, in October, 1897. Her address as president of that Convention was pronounced to be one of the finest, most powerful and eloquent that she had ever delivered. A few days later she presided over the National Convention at Buffalo, N. Y. The weeks intervening between this convention and her translation, February 17, 1898, were spent in Chicago, Evanston, Ill., Wisconsin and New York City.

Miss Willard originated the Polygot Petition for the prohibition of the liquor traffic and the opium trade, which with several million names and attestations of great societies was presented to the President of the United States in February, 1895, and in London before an audience of ten thousand people in June, 1895.

In April, 1898, I presented the petition to the Dominion of Canada at a great meeting in Ottawa arranged by the Canadian W. C. T. U., when it was received on behalf of the Canadian Government by the Premier Wilfred Laurier. Miss Willard's active interest on behalf of social purity, labor reform and woman suffrage was in consistent accord with her belief in the "do everything" policy of dealing with the great problem of the day.

In 1894 the honorary degree of LL.D. was conferred upon Miss Willard by the Ohio Wesleyan University.

HOW SHE CAME INTO THE WORK.

Miss Willard has repeatedly said to me that, when the Crusade came, she read of it daily in the Chicago Post, edited by her brother Oliver, and she, as well as her mother, became absorbingly interested in it; more so than in anything which they had ever read, except abolition and the anti-slavery war.

The winter of 1874 was a time of heart break to Miss Willard on account of the difficulties at Northwestern University at Evanston, Ill., and she resigned the presidency of the woman's college and her professorship in the university in June of that year. Attractive positions as the head of education institutions were offered her, but she felt more and more drawn toward the women of the Crusade. She was not in Chautauqua when the preliminary committee was formed, but was at that time in Maine, consulting with Neal Dow, and in Boston consulting with Dr. Dio Lewis. Meantime she wrote to Bishop Simpson, who had been a greatly honored friend of her family for years; also to Mrs. Mary A. Livermore, whom she and her mother admired more than any other woman they knew; and to other leaders, as well as to her own family, friends and relatives—not one of whom sent her a favorable reply except Mrs. Livermore, who encouraged her greatly and told her by all means to follow her leadings.

But Miss Willard's resolution to join the Crusade movement was taken independently. One morning in August, 1874, there came to her a letter, from Mrs. Louise S. Rounds, who had led the Crusade movement in Chicago during the winter, asking her if she would come to Chicago and act as president of the local W. C. T. U. They were a weak band of middle-aged women, without financial resources, and Mrs. Rounds wrote Miss Willard that they could offer her no salary. On the same day that this letter reached her at Cambridge, Mass., Miss Willard received a definite offer from the principal of a ladies' school in New York City, near Central Park, offering her \$2,500 a year if she would act as preceptress, teaching as little or as much as she pleased, but exercising a helpful influence over the young ladies and among the patrons. She was entirely without income, and had not laid up a penny, as those who knew her do not need to be told; her mother was advancing in years, and Miss Willard was her only support; the Crusade movement had passed away, and there seemed to be a lull in the work; yet so profound was the impression that God called her to the work of the W. C. T. U. that she at once wrote to New York, declining Dr. Van Norman's offer, and to Mrs. Rounds, accepting the position as president of the W. C. T. U. of Chicago, upon the duties of which she entered a few weeks later.

It was indeed well for the world that Frances Willard thus decided. No woman has ever done so much to lift humanity heavenward. The one woman of the centuries! Best beloved, God crowned.

MRS. L. M. N. STEVENS,
President National W. C. T. U.

THE FRANCES E. WILLARD STATUE

Was presented by the State of Illinois to the National Congress on February 17. Each State is entitled to place two statues in Statuary Hall in the National Capitol. Illinois legislature, recognizing Miss Willard as its most illustrious deceased citizen, appropriated \$9,000 for the placing of her statue in Statuary Hall. The exercises connected with the acceptance of the statue by Congress were auspicious and impressive in both the Senate and in the House.

The statue is of Carrara marble, a little more than life size, and represents Miss Willard standing in an easy, graceful position. The right arm is slightly extended, the hand resting upon a reading desk; the left arm is at her side, with a few pages of manuscript in the hand. The pose of the head is very lifelike, as Miss Willard appeared when looking out upon an audience. The face is strong and spiritual.

The pedestal is of Vermont marble and bears the

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SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

I am ambitious that Indiana merits some of the prizes to be given at the National Convention and knowing as you do that we only obtain what we strive for I want to urge that we be up and doing, for the year is far spent. If you have no army post-ships, soldiers' home, or any of these things near you, do personal work where opportunity affords, distribute literature on the canteen question and other like subjects, that the people may become acquainted with them, use your pledge cards, prepare comfort bags. County executives, I appeal to you. Where we have no Superintendent in this department will you not appoint one at once, that they may push the local work, for this is where our reports must come from. Should it be impossible to appoint Superintendents I ask that Presidents keep account of the work done and report to me at the close of the year. I beg of you to assist me to be instrumental in helping some mother's boys to a better life in Christ's name. Finally, dear sisters, let us do our very best and leave the results with Him who doeth all things well and both we and our efforts will be blessed. Following you will find a list of questions on our report blanks:

1. Number of meetings held.
2. Comfort bags sent.
3. Papers sent.
4. Amount of literature distributed.
5. Pledges signed.
6. Letters written.
7. Christian Temperance Unions formed.
8. Conversions reported.
9. Bibles and Testaments given away.
10. Memorial days observed.
11. Number of honorary members among these men.
12. Money expended.

Please report all new County Superintendents to me as early as convenient.

MRS. LIZZIE HEATH,
Indianapolis, Ind. State Superintendent.

JAIL AND PRISON DEPARTMENT.

With Christ in my mind, the most important work of the W. C. T. U. is that of jail and prison. Important, because every prisoner, whether white or black, has a soul that will either be saved or lost. So few people are willing to minister unto them. I pray that this may be the best year of our lives and that we may go forward in the work of the Master with more zeal and energy than we have ever had and to this end I pray that we may tarry at Jerusalem until we be endued with power from on high and be filled with the blessed Holy Spirit, that we may not work in vain, but we will see results from our labors as workers. I hope we can realize that we have had some victories and in the years to come we may be able to lift up many of our fallen brothers and sisters, for indeed they are our brothers and sisters by creation and it is our duty to help them become adapted into the family of Christ. I trust that I may have your prayers and hearty co-operation, that we may make this a glorious year and that we may see many precious souls born into the kingdom such as shall be eternally saved. I will send blanks in March and September to all the names that I can find in the State Minutes and the names that I already have, but if there is a county or Union that I miss, will some one please write to me and I will

send blanks. Please report promptly all work done in this line in March and September. I thank all the dear sisters for promptness in the past and am expecting even greater work done this year.

Richmond, Ind. MRS. ELLEN DAVIS,
State Superintendent.

FRANCHISE.

I thank you who have so promptly answered my letters and ask others not to wait to hear from me, but to write and tell me of your plans and what you have been able to accomplish. I need your help. Did you notice we had a speech given in the legislature in favor of giving women the ballot? Your Superintendent promptly sent a letter of thanks and received a very kind reply. The Senator thinks Indiana is ready to take that step and only conservatism hinders it. I also telephoned a friend in Indianapolis asking her to send flowers to his desk, with thanks for his courage for speaking for us. The Indianapolis Star said it was sent by the W. C. T. U. I was sorry they made it appear I had acted as State President. I intended it for our department, but since I have been so severely criticised, perhaps, you will not want to have to share that. I will gladly bear it and more, too, if that will help to hasten the time when the ballot, our best home protection weapon, be given women. Some of our own criticise me, because the Senator did not vote for the Temperance measure. Mother Willard said, Praise them for the good they do and I believe she was right.

Greensburg. LAURA M. THOMPSON,
State Superintendent.

DEPARTMENT OF MEDAL CONTEST.

NATIONAL BANNER.

The following conditions will be observed in awarding the National Banner: 1—Observance of rules. 2—High grade contests held 3—Greatest increase over last year.

TO STATE SUPERINTENDENTS.

To the State holding the largest per cent. increase over the preceding year, 100 recitation books. To the State Superintendent who reports the largest number of contests in proportion to membership, a gold medal. To the State Superintendent whose report shows the largest average receipts from contests held, 100 books.

LOCAL PRIZES.

The the Local Superintendent who holds the largest increase in number of contests over last year, a gold medal. To the Local Superintendent who holds the largest number of contests, The Beautiful Life of Francis E. Willard —A. E. Carmen.

Dear Co-Workers, you will see by the above the conditions upon which the National Banner will be awarded next year, also list of prizes offered by the National Superintendent. We must gradually work up to a better observance of the contest rules in Indiana if we hope to retain the Banner. I am endeavoring to do this as a County and Local worker. But where every effort has been made to have a full class and at the last moment a part of them fail you, I should proceed with my contest and you have my consent to do so.

JULIA OVERMAN,
State Superintendent.

FOR SUPERINTENDENTS OF MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

In reply to several letters saying, have you any new plans? I say nothing especially new but much more of the old, educate, educate. Remember ignorance is not innocence. On the other hand, it may be the very means by which innocence is changed to guilt. If we would keep our children pure let us begin by training them in the best ways. All women should be invited to the Mothers' Meetings. At some of your Mothers' Meetings have questions for discussion, such as How early shall we begin to train our children? How can we best teach purity in the home? Anything which helps to teach purity, to uplift humanity, to mold character and thereby make purer lives, better homes and nobler men and women is our legitimate work. In the January MESSAGE I said that every Superintendent who applied, with stamps for postage, I would send a package of literature. Twenty have applied, some with and some without stamps, but every one got a package. From the Directory in the Annual Report I got the name and address of twenty-eight County Superintendents of Mothers' Meetings and I have sent each one blanks and literature. Will all County Superintendents who have not received blanks please send to me at once, for you know, dear hearts, I can not send to you without your name and address? I have Purity Pledges at one-half cent a piece or 100 for 25 cents. Cradle Roll Pledges the same. Remember the enemy is after the children and you can not begin too early to teach temperance and purity.

Hartford City. MRS. S. M. STAHL,
State Superintendent.

PLEA FOR LEGIONS.

I want to make another plea to the childless Unions in our State. According to the directory in our last State Minutes we have 263 Unions; eighteen of these reported work done last year for the children. Seventy-five counties are doing W. C. T. U. work and only ten reported work in the Children's Branch. Miss Willard said: "The Woman's Christian Tem-

perance Union is organized mother-love." Are you sure you are doing the most important work in your Union? Here are the children placed in our hands, the responsibility is ours, our future organization depends upon them. What will it be? Are we true to the command of God? "That they may teach their children." Will He hold us guiltless if we leave this undone? I hope you have all read our State President's letter in February's MESSAGE and noticed this, Indiana is one of the foremost States in plans for work. We fall short only in organization. Our plans are in advance of many, behind none. This is one of the many things she found out at the National Convention. I know we have one of the best Presidents in the Nation. Won't you please study her plans and push the work this year? Good plans and a good President helps, but will not do the work over the State. After all, it falls back on us at home in the local work. By the time you receive this letter you will have received the blanks, with a copy of the Constitution and general plans of work. Where there is no County L. T. L. Secretary named in the Directory I have mailed to the County W. C. T. U. President a blank for each Union. Report all work done in your County from the 15th of September, 1904 to the 15th of March, 1905 (unless you have already reported for the first quarter) through the County L. T. L. Secretary where you have one, if not send direct to me by the 25th of March, then at the W. C. T. U. Institute have the subject thoroughly discussed and plan for this work to be taken up in each Union right away. The Institute Leaders have each had the plans sent to them and will be prepared to give you the information on this branch of our work.

IDA M. MIX,
Kokomo, Ind. General Secretary L. T. L. Branch.

PLANS OF WORK FOR ANTI-NARCOTIC DEPARTMENT SUPERINTENDENTS.

There are two thoughts I wish to impress upon the Superintendents of this Department. One is to influence, so far as possible, the press and writers of books to believe that it is not necessary to always picture the man with a cigar or cigarette in his mouth. Our Department will make especial efforts this year to abolish the pictorial cigarette smoker. The other thought is, that in many places in the United States women are using ribbons, which have tied cigar boxes or tobacco sacks, for sofa pillows. Word comes to me that in many homes these sofa pillows are found. Let us pass the word along the line that it is not becoming in a W. C. T. U. woman to have her home decorated with anything that has been used by the tobacco traffic. Will you preach this gospel in your State? Get it into your city papers and as many other publications as possible.

MRS. E. B. INGALLS,
National Superintendent.

I wish to thank the Indiana women for their response to the call for help in the Anti-Cigarette work. Not only Superintendents in this Department, but Union Presidents and Anti-Cigarette League members have assisted in this work. I feel very much like writing a personal letter of thanks to each League white ribboner, but time and postage will prevent me from doing so. The bill was before the House for second reading Friday, February 17th, and successfully passed to third reading and I hope by the time the MESSAGE is received we may all thank God that it is an Indiana law. Word comes from Mrs. H. W. Brandt, National Treasurer, that there is every prospect of the same law being adopted in the State of Illinois. Let the mothers of this land have courage yet a little longer.

MRS. ELIZABETH SMITH,
State Superintendent.

Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer has been blessed in organizing as follows in Daviess County, where for several years we have had no Union. At Montgomery, Mrs. Mary Leonard, President. They took up Evangelistic work, including Sunday Schools and Systematic and Proportionate giving and as they had no woman to take it, Mr. John Leonard, an honorary member, consented to work for all three of these departments. Superintendent of Contests is Mrs. Lawrence Weimer and of Non-Alcoholic Medication and Anti-Narcotics, Mrs. Lillie Coyle. Organized at Odon with twelve active members. President, Mrs. Dr. Anderson; Secretary, Miss Abbie Bails, Elvora, R. R. I. Several Departments of work were chosen and the State Superintendents of these have been informed as to the addresses of the local ladies appointed to lead them. The Union at Washington was reorganized with thirty-five members. Miss Palmer spoke Sabbath morning at the United Brethren church; met the ladies in the afternoon at the Baptist church, where all felt very strongly the guiding hand of God in the prayers and testimony that were given by some the good sisters; addressed a large audience in the evening at the First Christian church. Monday afternoon she met the Ladies' Monday Club at the Library and afterwards Officers and Superintendents were elected for W. C. T. U. to serve till September. A beautiful new house of worship is being erected by the United Brethren people at Odon and Miss Palmer has been invited to return for a week of Gospel meeting after its dedication. She says, I am believing and I trust you will all join with me in prayer for this, that at that time two other Unions may be organized in Daviess County.

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following inscription: "Ah! it is women who have given the costliest hostages to fortune. Out into the battle of life they have sent their best beloved, with fearful odds against them. Oh, by the dangers they have dared; by the hours of patient watching over beds where helpless children lay; by the incense of ten thousand prayers wafted from their gentle lips to Heaven, I charge you give them power to protect along life's treacherous highway those whom they have so loved."—*Frances E. Willard.*

PRESENTED BY THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,
FEBRUARY XVII, MCMV.

By request of Miss Gordon, on Saturday, February 18, the school children of Washington marched under protective escort to the Capitol Building and through Statuary Hall, where each child placed a flower near the statue. The flowers were generously contributed by the District of Columbia W. C. T. U. Of the National Woman's Temperance Union, many of the leading officers and members were in Washington to attend the exercises and in the evening of February 17, held a National Commemorative Meeting in the Metropolitan M. E. Church, with a varied and interesting program, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens presiding.

MRS. STANLEY'S NOTE-BOOK.

Since my last letter I have addressed ten audiences, received more letters than ever before in one month asking for dates later, two days were spent in Ohio, two in my own County, three days in Wells County, where, during zero weather, I found Mrs. Wolmer's Loyal Home Guards just as enthusiastic and determined as ever. You will be glad to know that she is organizing her young people and children up there and even the saloon men see the handwriting on the wall. I attended one Farmers' Institute and one Prohibition Convention and everywhere I have urged voters to sign the petition in favor of the Parks Anti-Cigarette bill and protest against Sunday baseball and demand an equal suffrage amendment to our Constitution. In to day's mail I got three letters from legislators who faithfully promise to stand by us in all these righteous measures. Now sisters, please write to your Representatives to-day and get influential voters to do the same, for they write me that they have not heard from you. I go to Elkhart and South Bend. I am soon to meet you at Mid-year Executive. I want to give you a little song here. Memorize it, so we may sing it for Mrs. Saylor's hosts at Mulberry.

DON'T LET THE WOMEN VOTE.

These Temperance Cranks do all they can
To keep their cause afloat,
But I have no fears of what they may do,
So long as the women don't vote.

CHORUS.

Don't let the women vote,
Don't let the women vote—
We'll lose the battle as sure as you live,
If they let the women vote.

Just let the women speak and pray,
By that they'll do no harm,
But when they talk of letting them vote,
My soul takes on alarm.

CHORUS.

Don't let the women vote,
Don't let the women vote,
The whiskey traffic is gone for sure,
When they let the women vote.

If we get those Probi cranks to throw
That suffrage plank away,
And drop the W. C. T. U.
'Twill be a merry day.

CHORUS.

Don't let the women vote,
Don't let the women vote,
We fear not God—we fear not man,
But we fear a woman's vote.

ELIZABETH T. STANLEY.

AN APPEAL FOR HADLEY SCHOOL.

LA PORTE, IND., February 10, 1905.

Mrs. M. E. H. Chandler, Mooresville, Ind.

MRS. CHANDLER—In a very short time now Mrs. Ridgway will have been dead one year and the executor will have to file his annual report. Can you not make another payment on the note due the estate? If you can, it will help our report and will save you interest.

Respectfully,

F. R. LIDDELL.

DEAR SISTERS—I send you this letter, so that you may all see just how badly we are in need of funds. We do not understand why the Unions have been so slow this year to send contributions. I do not mean to say that we have not heard from any, for we have and we want to thank them for being so prompt; but some have failed so far to comply with the plan of work (See Annual Minutes, 1904, pages 85, 147 and 155, Article 6, Section 4.)

It is true the Home never was in better shape for provisions, clothing and nice bedding. It is nice and clean and in very fair repair, so we as a Managing Board think this is just the time to hustle and save every cent we can to apply on our debt.

The Ridgeway note is \$500.00 with interest. We owe our help about \$100.00; grocery bill, \$32.00; Luther Hadley, for services, \$40.00. Also several small bills aggregating in all, I should judge, about \$800.00.

Now, dear sisters, let each of us feel that this is my school and that it rests with me to raise this money and I am sure we will soon be able to pay

the money back which our dear departed sister Ridgway was kind enough to loan us to help on with the good work which is being done by the Indiana W. C. T. U.

We as a Board find some very hard places to get over and this is one of them, but with God's help, a little patience and your very much needed support we will be able to go to our next State Convention making a glad noise, crying "Out of debt, Out of debt," for the first time since the existence of our Industrial School.

Hoping you will read this article in your next local meeting, also give it careful thought and speedy attention, we are your humble servants.

LIZZIE C. HANN,
President.
MARY HADLEY HALL,
285 E. Jefferson St., Franklin, Ind.
MATTIE E. CHANDLER,
Mooresville, Ind., R. R.

Having seen Mrs. Cowan's name in Treasurer's report of Hadley Industrial School for Girls as drawing Superintendent's salary and as she was one of the unsuitable ones, I wish to say that Mrs. Cowan did not apply for a position at Hadley. At suggestion of a member of the Board that she go there for an outing, with the permission of the Board she went. When she arrived there the Superintendent had resigned and she was asked to assist in the work there. She went in August, 1903, and stayed until April, 1904, for, as she wrote to a friend in Indianapolis, who had expected her to mother her young lady daughters while the mother had a much needed outing—it is easier to go to Hadley than it is to get away.

About the middle of November she was left there to act as Superintendent against her protest that she could not and would not do it. The Board promised a new Superintendent in a few weeks, but although they did the best they could, found no one until about the middle of April, when Miss Mattie Leslie was secured—a person very suitable for the position, as is also Miss Hadley, who assists her.

Having been a teacher for a score of years, Mrs. Cowan had very good discipline, was a good correspondent, could keep the books, could and did teach in the absence and during sickness of teacher and helped the girls in their school work, besides superintending the affairs of the institution in a creditable manner, but being nearly seventy years of age and physically weak, she could not do the work that necessarily comes upon the Superintendent where so little help was kept. The State W. C. T. U. she considers were fortunate in getting the consent of the present Board of Managers to take charge of the Institution for another year. None but those who have been there know how onerous the duties of the Board are.

MOORE AMENDMENT TO THE NICHOLSON LAW.

After the acts of the present Legislature are distributed to every county in the State and a receipt from the clerk of every county has reached the State house, this law will be in effect. By this amendment remonstrances may be circulated against the liquor business (including all liquor dealers) in an entire township or ward. This will be a relief, and moreover the remonstrance, if successful, stands for two years against all applicants for license in such township or ward. In view of the pressure of the people of all parties, and especially of temperance advocates, this bill is not surprising, but the least that could have been done. The people are ready for the burden to be laid on the saloon keepers to obtain a majority of the voters' names on a petition. In fact the State now, as heretofore, assumes that every voter stands continually committed to the saloon license for whoever may apply. Many people believe that the State should assume that voters are opposed to the liquor business and throw the burden of proving the contrary on the liquor dealers. As the law now stands our sons, when they come to the age of twenty-one, are lined up for the liquor business, no difference if members of the church or what their expressed views may be, unless they sign remonstrances and suffer the indignity of having to write in black and white their signatures to a protest. This is true of every voter, and many good men will never be satisfied thus to be counted for the liquor dealer.

MEMBERS HAVE REMOVED AS FOLLOWS:

Mrs. Leonard Snyder from Versailles to Rushville, Indiana; Mrs. Wm. Benham and Mrs. F. M. Gelvin from Versailles to Crothersville, Indiana; Mrs. Lucy Howenstein from North Manchester to Urbana, Indiana; Mrs. Robert Mathis from Bedford, Indiana to 608 Fourteenth Street, San Diego, California; Mrs. Belle Gaskill, Susan Sliger, Flora Sliger and Ada Hunt from Bluffton to Liberty Center, Indiana; Mrs. Hattie Lipkey from Bluffton to Markle, Indiana; Mrs. Mary Schooley from Bluffton to Keystone, Indiana; Miss Blanche Campbell from Bluffton to Montpelier, Indiana; Mrs. Sarah Cotton and Mrs. M. J. Cotton from Bluffton to Ossian, Indiana; Mrs. Alonzo Cloud from Liberty, Indiana, to Richmond, of Earlham College; Mrs. Hatty Brady from Liberty to College Corner, Ohio; Mrs. W. E. Donaldson from Montpelier to Homeworth, Ohio; Mrs. Eliza Atkinson from Monrovia to Mooresville; Mrs. Flora Wyncoop from Brazil to Terre Haute, Indiana; Mrs. Lillian Todd from Warsaw to Argos, Indiana.

THE UNION SIGNAL IS THE VOICE OF MOTHER NATIONAL SPEAKING TO HER CHILDREN.

Fifty-two messages straight from the heart of National W. C. T. U. (one each week for a year) are yours for only one dollar. Just send your name and address, with the dollar, to the *Union Signal*, Evanston, Illinois. Now is the time to subscribe. Don't forget the *Crusader Monthly* for the young people. Price twenty-five cents a year. Address, the *Crusader Monthly*, Evanston, Illinois. Sample copies of either paper free. Premiums given to club raisers. Premium announcement sent on application.

The Anti-Cigarette Bill is signed by Governor Hanly and is now a law. Iowa has almost the same law and it has been declared constitutional by the Supreme Court of Iowa and recently the Supreme Court of the United States has rendered the same decision. Everywhere friends of the measure should urge its enforcement. Ask ministers, Sunday-School Superintendents and public speakers to urge its enforcement. Also through the press urge its enforcement.

BRIEF NOTES.

Get subscriptions for the *Union Signal*.

Secure a gentleman for a member of your Union before the next meeting.

If your Union is large, help your Treasurer to collect the dues. Be sure and give a receipt for same, because it is good business to do so.

Maybe your Local President is not entirely competent. Help her and encourage her. In the meetings insist upon parliamentary usage and early adjournment, so the visitors will come again.

Under the Adams local option law the saloon has been driven out of every one of the 5,500 towns in Tennessee, except sixteen, and now exists in only twelve out of the ninety-six counties in the State.

Batesville Union celebrated their first anniversary with a carefully prepared program and a Willard Memorial offering. The meeting occurring on February 22d, was also a Washington birthday celebration.

Mrs. Gard, of Warren, says the Union is on the alert. They have two petitions on file. They asked for 25 names to Parks' Anti Cigarette petition and got nearly 75, with 5 inquiries after petition went to the Representative.

Bluffton Union observed February 10 as Frances Willard Memorial Day at the beautiful home of Mrs. Theo. Ellingham. Attendance good; everyone present seemed to be interested in the exercises; one new member was added.

Mrs. M. L. Hobbs, so many years the faithful President of Dubois County, has been bereft of her life companion and at this meeting is very ill at the old home. Mr. Hobbs died in January. For two years he had been an invalid. He was always so kind to temperance workers—generously encouraged and helped his wife in her work.

Frances Willard Union of Bluffton hopes to make a gain of five by March 15. Mrs. Wolmer, County President, spoke ably on Temperance at the Wesleyan church, January 9 and also of her trip to Philadelphia. We are very proud of her as County President and the wonderful work she has done through our Lord. We are greatly encouraged.

Mrs. Lou E. Roll, of Huntington, met with the Bluffton Union recently, in a parlor meeting and social at the lovely home of Mrs. H. D. Cook. Mrs. Roll presented the Department of Mercy in a very pleasing and interesting manner, which delighted and instructed us. We regret that she leaves Indiana. Our loss California's gain. Two new members were secured.

The Executive Committee and Superintendent of Howard County met at Kokomo, December 13, in an all day session. The attendance was good and the plan of work for the year as outlined by the State was taken up and it was voted to follow it as closely as possible. The afternoon session was devoted to Superintendent's Department. Howard County has gained one new Union this year. An effort will be made to secure 100 new members for the county this year.

Bedford—The subject for our first Mothers' Meeting in 1905 was Non-Alcoholic Medication and fifty women listened to many valuable truths on that much needed Department of our Women's Christian Temperance Union. A discussion followed, in which several gave their experience, proving the truth that patients do recover without alcohol, even after being given up to die. On January 27th an Oratorical Contest for silver medal was given and the audience was delighted with selections given. Master Bennie Brown was awarded the medal.

Franklin College and High School invited Judge Stubbs of the Juvenile Court of Indianapolis to deliver his famous lecture on The Evils of Cigarette Smoking in the College Chapel last week. The W. C. T. U. were given seats on the platform. Judge Stubbs spoke most forcibly to an audience of near a thousand. Johnson County's State Senator and Representative have been on the right side of all reform bills presented this year. The County W. C. T. U. Institute is to be held at Franklin, March 9, and 10. There will be a Gold Medal Contest. Mrs. Stanley will be present and a good time is anticipated.

The Indianapolis Frances E. Willard Union observed its sixth anniversary at the home of Mrs. E. E. Smith at 2805 Kenwood avenue. Opening song, Anniversary Hymn; prayer, Mrs. L. E. Scott; address, Mrs. McWhirter; solo, Lead, Kindly Light, Miss Jessie Anderson. Rev. Wood, of Hyde Park church and the County President, Mrs. Gipe, were present and spoke very encouragingly of the work. Recitation, I Vote as I Pray, Earl Rich. Closing hymn, Rock of Ages. A social hour was enjoyed while refreshments were being served. Three new members were received.

Ripley County Institute will be held at Milan on April 10 and 11. The County Union is making plans for a successful Institute. Rev Alice Ruth Palmer is to be the leader.

Bedford has just closed their Second contest for new members with an increase of thirty-eight. Mrs. Ed. Johnson and Mrs. Hayden Walls were the two captains who led the temperance hosts. January 26th, Mrs. Walls gracefully acknowledged defeat by throwing the doors of her handsome home open to all of the members of the Women's Christian Temperance Union and their husbands. A delightful program was given, consisting of vocal and instrumental music, followed by a review of the year's work just closed and plans for the future. Refreshments were served to more than one hundred.

Union organized by Sycamore Union—Officers: President, Mrs. Jane Miller, Greentown, Ind., R. R. 1; Vice-President, Mrs. Annie Vorris, Greentown, Ind., R. R. 3; Secretary, Mrs. T. H. Allen, Greentown, Ind., R. R. 1; Treasurer, Mrs. Minnie Moore, Greentown, Ind., R. R. 1; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Meck Melton, Greentown, Ind., R. R. 1. Superintendents: Flower Mission, Mrs. Minnie Moore, Greentown, Ind., R. R. 1; Literature, Miss Hattie Stewart, Greentown, Ind., R. R. 3; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Dr. Buroker, Greentown, Ind., R. R. 1; Press, Mrs. T. H. Allen, Greentown, R. R. 1.

On the Afternoon and evening of February 8 Mrs. Tompkins entertained the W. C. T. U. of Elkhart. A large company was gathered at 3 o'clock p. m. After the opening exercises the Mormon Smoot case was called up and discussed. The women were in favor of writing letters of disapproval to our National Senators and Representatives. A ten minutes' parliamentary drill was indulged in and then Mrs. Rawley took the floor and gave a very interesting report of our National Convention at Philadelphia. A five o'clock substantial supper was served, which drew a crowd and netted quite a full purse. This was the second tea at Mrs. Tompkins this year.

A large audience gathered in College avenue Baptist church, Indianapolis, Sunday afternoon, January 29, in response to a call made by Meridian Union for a public meeting. Judge Stubbs, of our Juvenile Court, spoke on the Evils of Cigarette Smoking. Judge Lindsey, of the Juvenile Court of Denver, told in a rousing speech of his experience with boys. In Colorado, the law holds the parents of truant boys responsible and punishes them as well as the boys. Meridian Union has planned for five public meetings, to be held in different churches. We also expect to give our State President, Mrs. Vayhinger, a warm welcome while in our city, in March.

The Sycamore Union is in a flourishing condition with thirty paid members. Some work done in Anti-Narcotic Department, had the Tobacco Law placed in public schools, furnished the teachers with some literature and secured the teachers to talk on Narcotics for their opening exercises one morning out of each week for the rest of the term. Have also secured a number of speakers to give Gospel Temperance talks to our young people, which are to be given in form of a lecture course. On Saturday evening, January 29, Mrs. Mix, our delegate to the National Convention and Mrs. Edith Hillis, of Kokomo, were with us. Mrs. Mix gave a very interesting report of the Convention and Mrs. Hillis in her delightful manner gave us a view of the trip, which was highly appreciated by the audience.

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Haughton writes: Will you please add Benton County to my list of counties for May 18 and 19; unless Mrs. H. Hall has given it some other leader? She spoke to me about it, but I do not think I gave her a positive answer. I wrote to her yesterday and said I would send word to you to put it in my schedule, unless she had otherwise ordered. I am now on my fifth revival meeting since the middle of November and God has blessed the work and given us souls at every point. I do not know just how long I will continue here, but we are laboring and praying for a great harvest of souls. Please add this to my list of counties. The leader greatly desires that the Presidents of organized counties will inform her as soon as possible where the Institutes will be held and send her copy of the program as soon as made out and that unorganized counties will confer with her as soon as possible.

Hartford City is battling for the home and the destruction of the American Saloon by carrying out the principles for which we were organized, to educate and agitate. As a means of education we have placed Miss Willard's picture in our High School and five ward buildings and in our new Carnegie Library, also a complete set of Miss Willard's books and on the first of January, 1905, we placed in our library for the reading public the *Union Signal*, *Patriot Phalanx* and the *MESSAGE*. We sent a vote of thanks to the Mayor of Tipton for his stand for law enforcement. The President got the endorsement of societies aggregating 400 women, ministers and physicians to an Anti-Spit petition, which she and Mrs. Geo. L. Bonham presented to the City Council, November 8, begging that as a sanitary measure they pass an ordinance prohibiting spitting on the sidewalks, with an appropriate penalty attached for its violation. December 15 we had a splendid report of our National Convention by Mrs. Stanley. December 3 we had a W. C. T. U. Prohibition address by one of God's noblemen, Rev. Aaron Worth.

The 14th Anniversary of the Deer Creek Union held February 7th, in the West Branch church, was truly a red letter day to W. C. T. U. An all day session was held and early in the morning the people began to arrive from every direction for miles around until very soon room in the church was at a premium. Press reporters, several ministers and many members from six of the neighboring Unions were in attendance, all ready to join in the discussion of the many up to date problems of the day. Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, Ex-County and State President, of Fairmount, most acceptably filled a part of the forenoon with a splendid address, the embodiment of which was in close touch with recent events, the outlook for the future, etc. Her wonderful ability and sincerity of purpose was greatly appreciated. Many good things were brought to the front. Among them was a request formulated and ordered sent immediately to our legislators to use their utmost power in enacting more stringent laws pertaining to the liquor traffic. In the afternoon the Rev. Enis Harvey, pastor of the Friends Church at Fairmount, made a splendid speech on The Problems of the Twentieth Century. He said: "First evangelize and civilize, procure righteous legislation by electing officers that will do their duty and many of the problems would already be solved." Impromptu speeches were made, the same conducted by Mrs. Rena P. Smith, also many other good things of merit, together with two new members (Mr. and Mrs. Eli McCracken) will serve to stimulate to greater efforts until the greatest wish of the white ribbon hosts is realized—the annihilation of the liquor traffic.

Huntington local Union closed the year's program on December 28 with an "at home" to which over two hundred and fifty guests outside of the Union were invited, each member being allowed just so many invitations. Although the weather was exceedingly inclement, there was a large representation present and the afternoon passed most pleasantly, the church being bright and gay with American flags and holly, and warm and attractive. Mrs. Josephine Walmer, of Bluffton, the National delegate to Philadelphia this fall from the group in which this county is, was the honor guest, and gave an account of the incidents of her trip and sojourn in the Quaker City and the great Convention. The address was bright and witty, and her charming personality captured her audience. A yuletide letter from Mrs. Emily Newcomb, formerly the local president, but now visiting in Sonora, New Mexico, was read, and Mrs. Lou Rall, County President, made a few remarks of farewell in view of her intended departure for California. In the receiving line with Mrs. Walmer were Mrs. Lou Rall, Mrs. A. R. Kiracofe, Vice-President of the County, and Mrs. M. J. McNaughton, the Local President. During the social hour that followed, Miss Otha Smith, of Huntington, and Miss Hattie Gordon, of Defiance, Ohio, treated the company to a continuous flow of music so conducive to sociability. Dainty refreshments were served, and sprigs of holly, tied with the white ribbon, made most fitting favors. Copies of the minutes of the State Convention were presented to the ministers present and to the officers and Superintendents of the local Union. It was a late hour when the guests departed, many expressing a desire to unite with the society at no distant date, marking the close of a most successful social affair and of an equally successful year's work.

The Anderson Union and Y. W. C. T. U., on February 6, gave a Hadley Industrial School entertainment. Mrs. Melvin Jameson, representing the Matron and answering the questions asked her and her assistants, Mrs. Schuyler and Miss Jones. The entertainment was fine. The Freewill offering amounted to \$3.67. The evening was cold. Had it been pleasant many more would have responded to the invitations, which had a picture of Hadley on the left hand corner of the paper. We urge the Local Unions to try this pretty and novel plan to raise funds for the school. The petitions, as requested by the extra supplement, have been looked after in many places and some of the representatives have said if the women keep on we will have to rent an extra room to hold our mail. We are still receiving letters and cards from those whom we supposed were getting their *MESSAGE*. All we ask, dear women, is a little time. Very often, the day after we return the proof sheets to the printer, your word comes saying, we do not get our paper. I have no way to remedy this until the next month. By the time the March *MESSAGE* reaches you I will have mailed the second quarter's report blanks and let me say to you, an earnest canvas must be made. We only sent dues for 873, when it ought to have been 925 to have corresponded with that of a year ago. Let us keep up our membership in Indiana and add new ones. We want to be one of the banner States next year. To the Y. Unions, as your former Secretary, please let me urge you to send in a large amount of dues this quarter. Dear girls, I love all of you and pray much that God will bless you. Miss LaDrew will be glad, I am sure, to hear from you. Pay dues.

CLARA M. SEARS,
State Treasurer.

Marion County News—There are many new plans to benefit the Union workers in Marion County this year. In Meridian Union four meetings will be held during the winter months. Those already held have been unusually successful in regard to both the program and the attendance. New annual leaflets have been ordered. Each member will receive a leaflet at the February meeting, which she will study

in preparation for the catechism and quiz, at the following meeting. Every local Union following this plan will be surprised at the amount of study required and the intelligent interest it awakens. Nothing could be more educational for new members. It is the purpose of the members of this Union to make this a year of special study of W. C. T. U. literature. They will also distribute temperance literature, when it will be read and studied by persons not yet interested in our work. Mrs. Mary Sims is President of this Union.

Broad Ripple Union, Mrs. Louise Kelso, President, held a well attended meeting in January with Mrs. Burgess. The anniversary meeting was held with the President, February 8.

To those members of the W. C. T. U. who do not take the *Union Signal*, the fact that Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, editor of the Indiana paper, the *MESSAGE*, was made President of the National W. C. T. U. Editor's Association at the National Convention, recently held in Philadelphia, will be news, but not a surprise. The *MESSAGE* is considered one of the best State W. C. T. U. papers published.

Marion County Institute will be held March 23 to 24. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, State Vice-President, leader. A good program, following close by the one prepared by Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall in the February *MESSAGE*, has been arranged. Mrs. Stanley's lecture on The National Outlook will be in evening of March 23. A Gold Medal Oratorical Contest will be given on the second evening under the direction of Miss Maud Baker, County Medal Contest Superintendent. Much is expected at this time, as Mrs. Vayhinger, State President, will visit Indianapolis and vicinity February 27, spending one week in the various Unions. The visit of two women with so much ability as orators, united to such sweet, Christian characters, will surely create a great increase in temperance sentiment in this locality.

Marion County will give an informal reception to Mrs. Vayhinger, March 4, in the beautiful home of Mrs. Martha Gipe, President of the county.

Central Union, of which Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter is President, held a very delightful meeting February 2d, in the home of Dr. Ellen Rogers, Local Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings. Miss Maud Baker, founder of the Indianapolis School of Expression and Physical Culture, furnished the literary program by reading a paper on What Physical Culture Means. A short, physical culture drill followed, in which most of those present participated. Miss Baker, who is Superintendent of Health and Heredity and Physical Culture will be glad to give lessons to classes organized by W. C. T. U. in any part of the State at very much less than her usual terms. The women must belong to the W. C. T. U. in order to take advantage of her offer. For information, address Miss Maud Baker, 1210 Ashland avenue, Indianapolis, Ind. The Department Superintendents in Central Union have been supplied with note books with pencil attached, in which they are expected to keep an account of their work. These reports will be called for at each Union meeting. Envelopes also given to each Superintendent, in which she is expected to keep clippings relative to all departments carried by the W. C. T. U. An exchange of these clippings will be made at each meeting, each Superintendent receiving those articles pertaining to her work. In this way, scrap books, containing much valuable information, will be formed.

The Frances Willard Memorial Service held by Central Union in the home of Mrs. Dr. Hawley, was one long to be remembered. The devotional service was impressive. Indiana's State song was sung as a solo by Miss Lillian Sedwick and Mrs. Carrie Quinn. Miss Maud Baker read a review of Bennie Babcock's book, *An Uncrowned Queen*, in a most beautiful manner. This most beautiful review was written by Mrs. E. G. Smith.—Editor.

Mrs. Hawley, late of Columbus, Ind., spoke of her sorrow in leaving her home Union and of the manner in which she had been made welcome by the temperance women in Indianapolis. She then spoke of Frances Willard's spotless life, which even the enemies of our cause never dared to defame; then read an original poem, *In Memoriam*, 1839, Frances Willard 1898, which should be in the hands of every W. C. T. U. woman in Indiana. A recitation was then given by Miss Eva Smith. Among those present were Mrs. Johnson, mother of our beloved State President, Mrs. Gipe, President of Marion County, Mrs. Williams, President of Frances Willard Union and others, among whom were a large number of young people, who assisted in serving the refreshments during the social hour. An endeavor will be made to have the original poem by Mrs. K. D. Hawley published in the issue of the *Patriot Phalanx* appearing February 26-28, so that any woman wishing a copy can secure one by writing to the Phalanx Publishing House, Indianapolis.

IN MEMORIAM.

From Wabash County have been called to their heavenly home on December 21, Mrs. Nellie Baker, of North Manchester Union, for so many years our very efficient County President. Only eternity will reveal the good work she did. We feel that her loss is irreparable.

Early in January Mrs. Mary Risser, of Wabash Union, was taken at the ripe age of 87 and the sweet little boy from the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Macy, aged only 5. Thus the old and the young must go.

From Farmer's Union, Mrs. Hattie Unger on January 14, was called to her rest in the prime of womanhood, a true mother and an earnest worker.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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MISS PEARL RALL.

Miss Pearl Rall, of Huntington, daughter of Mrs. Lou Rall, State Superintendent of Mercy Department, after completing a course of study in the law offices of Spencer & Branyan and Judge C. W. Watkins, of Huntington, and at the Indianapolis College of Law, from which institution Miss Rall graduated and received her degree of L. L. B. and diploma, in June, 1902, she returned to Huntington and was admitted to the practice at the bar of that district circuit court, but did not take up the active practice because of ill health. On March 9, 1905, she appeared in the supreme, appellate and federal courts of Indiana and upon motion by Judge Watkins, was admitted to the practice in these. The latter court is the United States court. Miss Rall has the distinction of being the first woman admitted to practice in these courts. This high honor won by Miss Rall is most gratifying to her friends, who regard her as a young woman of rare ability and energy. Probably few men have ever been admitted at an earlier age to practice in the higher courts. Miss Rall has greatly aided the W. C. T. U. locally and in the county as an efficient worker as Press Superintendent and Reporter. In the State she has served most acceptably as State Superintendent of Franchise. The moving of the family to Los Angeles, Cal., is a great loss to Indiana W. C. T. U. To take out two such workers as Mrs. Lou Rall and her daughter means much to our State, but will no doubt be a great gain to the work in California.

VICTORY FOR SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Through the columns of the MESSAGE I wish to thank those who so kindly assisted in the recent contest against the Ruick Bill, which was intended to repeal our present law against Sunday baseball.

On February 17, this bill was passed to engrossment in the house by a vote of 52 to 2 and it seemed that it was the purpose to rush it through both branches of the Legislature, so that the friends of Sabbath Observance would have no opportunity to protest, but letters and cards were hastily written to workers in all parts of the State and a flood of messages and petitions were sent to both senators and representatives urging that they vote against the bill. The governor was also petitioned to veto the measure if passed. The results of these letters and petitions had the desired effect and our hearts were rejoiced when on February 24 the bill was killed by a vote of 48 to 44. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, our talented Vice-President, secured and sent in 400 signatures from her own county.

South Bend.

KATIE WERT HOLLER,
State Superintendent.

NOTICE.

A diamond medal contest will be held at the Mid-Year Executive Conference at Mulberry, Clinton County, April 4. All temperance people in the near vicinity are cordially invited to attend and bring a friend. Our County Presidents living near will please announce. Admission, 25 cents.

WEEK OF PRAYER.

The annual World's Week of Prayer for the Lord's Day will be held the week following Easter week, April 30 to May 7, inclusive. We trust that every Union in the State will observe this week of prayer. Request your pastors and Sunday school superintendents to hold special seasons of prayer at this time in behalf of our Lord's Day. We would ask, too, that from the family altar petitions be sent up to God for the preservation of His holy day and that at the fire-side the children be taught the blessings and benefits of a proper observance of the Christian Sabbath.

KATIE WERT HOLLER.

HISTORY OF THE RECENT ANTI-CIGARETTE LEGISLATION.

During the legislative session held in 1903 Senator Parks, of LaPorte, introduced a similar bill to that which has now become a law. It was defeated by a large majority, ex-State Senator A. B. Baker, representative of the tobacco lobby, said to be the strongest and most wealthy lobby in the State, helping in its defeat.

In the following April Indianapolis established a Juvenile Court, with Judge Stubbs as its chief officer. The Judge found that reform measures usually successful with children, even those of degenerate parents, were ineffective with the cigarette smoking boy. He found that 80 per cent of the children brought before him were victims of this habit to a greater or less degree, and decided that the use of the cigarette was responsible for much of the increase in criminal practices among children. In the fall of 1903 a meeting was called by the Judge and his associates and a protective association was formed, its object being the enforcement of the Indiana tobacco law. The Indianapolis Local Council of Women was appealed to for moral support, lectures were given, literature distributed and the press was freely used in spreading information of the results which the violation of this law was producing among Indiana's future citizens, and the relation of crime and the cigarette habit was told in the columns and editorials of all the city papers.

A wave of reform seemed in progress, when it was discovered that the prosecuting attorney had feelings of so very sensitive a nature on this subject that it was not deemed expedient to bring one of the thousands of cases (brought before the Juvenile Court) of law violations before him.

However, the agitation never ceased and conditions did not improve. Judge Stubbs, in lecturing before the Marion County W. C. T. U. Convention, said that a bill would be brought before the State Legislature prohibiting the manufacture or sale of cigarettes and making the offense punishable by a jail sentence. This was done and every effort was made to secure its passage.

Judge Lindsley, of the Denver Juvenile Court, a fearless man and a practical worker, came to Indianapolis in February and delivered lectures in company with Judge Stubbs, who is an authority on this subject and whose lectures are considered classics by his associates.

The Parks anti-cigarette bill passed the Senate by a vote of 35 to 7, much to the astonishment of the tobacco dealers and the tobacco lobby, headed by "Cigarette" Baker.

Just before the Legislature convened the State Superintendent of the Anti-Narcotic Department wrote Judge Stubbs offering the assistance of the Indiana W. C. T. U. in any plan he might suggest. She received a courteous reply, in which she was told that the Senators were very sensitive about such co-operation, but he would mention the matter to Senator Parks. No information as to the Senator's views was ever received by the State Superintendent, who immediately had petition heads printed and sent them, with instructions to Anti-Narcotic Superintendents, all over the State.

After the passage of the bill by the Senate, its enemies made threats of bribery and predicted that the bill would never pass the House, saying it was passed by the Senate as a joke. So great was the opposition that it was thought best by the State W. C. T. U. officers, at the solicitation of the editor of the MESSAGE, our State paper, that an extra edition be sent out. This was done, the extra containing a copy of the Parks bill and extracts from the papers containing threats from tobacco dealers and users. It also told of the dangers the bill must face during its passage through the House and gave the form of petition to be used. Every reader was urged to secure signatures to these petitions, also letters from prominent voters, and to send letters and petitions to the Representative from her district. So well did the womanhood of Indiana respond to this call that the members of the House were deluged with petitions, the Vice-President of the State securing 300. The boys in the Anti-Cigarette Leagues gave their assistance in the good work.

After the bill had passed the House the Senator who had introduced it told the MESSAGE editor that they had been much puzzled to know where all the pressure came from until they heard of the little paper's extra edition.

Two other bills were introduced relative to cigarettes. One known as the Petersburg merchants' bill, presented by Senator Milburn, eliminating the jail sentence from the former Indiana law, making it optional with the judge. It was explained by the Senator that three prominent citizens in his district had, by the efforts of W. C. T. U. members, been given jail sentences for violating the tobacco law, and while they were perfectly willing to pay their fines, they did not wish to go to jail. This bill passed the Senate



FRANCES E. WILLARD,
The Uncrowned Queen.

and reached the second reading in the House. The other bill made the cigarette law prohibitory to boys, but not to men over twenty-one.

Too much praise cannot be given the promoters of this bill. Every paper in Indianapolis was opposed to it, the Indianapolis News, the paper having the largest circulation in the State, being its most active enemy. Interviews with men who were opposed to and ridiculed the bill were published; letters were published from prominent literary men, the popularity of whose works make them the idols of the hour, ridiculing the measure and every effort was made to enlist public sentiment against it. It passed each reading with small majorities, amid amendments of all kinds and discussions as to its constitutionality, until the climax was reached at its last appearance, when Representative Baker, in voting aye, waved an envelope containing a bribe of \$100 which had been handed him by "Cigarette" Baker, asserting that other members had received similar envelopes. The vote was immediately taken and resulted in 72 to 7 in favor of the bill. Before the bill received the Governor's signature, its friends were very anxious, as its constitutionality was doubted, but our only anxiety now is concerning its enforcement. A similar law is in force in Iowa and Tennessee. In both States it has stood the test of the States' highest courts and also of the supreme court of the United States.

Encouraged by the passage of the bill, National Field Secretary Dr. W. A. Shaw, of the American Anti-Cigarette League, has organized an Indiana State League, with Prof. R. A. Ogg, of Kokomo, Chairman; Rev. Ross Parish, D. D., of Logansport, Vice-Chairman; H. G. Walker, of Kokomo, Field Secretary and Judge Stubbs, of Indianapolis, Treasurer. It is the earnest wish of the Indiana W. C. T. U. that these men will work with great courage and if their feelings are naturally sensitive that they will control them sufficiently to accept any assistance we can give them.

MRS. ELIZABETH G. SMITH,
State Supt. of Anti-Narcotic Dept.

SUPPLIES.

Flower Mission text cards, W. C. T. U. membership cards and envelopes and Total Abstinence pledge cards, per hundred, 25 cents; fifty for 15 cents. Send to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 1013 North New Jersey street, Indianapolis.

The State Executive Conference will be held on April 4 and 5 at Mulberry, Clinton County. The opening meeting will be on Tuesday at two o'clock in the afternoon and closing after the Wednesday afternoon service. The members are urged to be present. Mrs. Levi Herr, of Mulberry, Chairman of Entertainment, should receive the names of all those who desire entertainment and time each person will arrive.

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MISS ANNA GORDON,
Vice-President-at-Large, National W. C. T. U.

No other department of our work is more educational than that of Non-Alcoholic Medication. Its teaching must be understood and practiced in order to secure advanced living and thinking.

At all Sunday services where the W. C. T. U. furnishes programs, it is now the universal custom for the regular church collection to be taken, then at the close of the W. C. T. U. speaker's address, to take a collection for the Union; this to be done by the regular church ushers.

FOR THE TREASURY.

If Mrs. Tilbury, of Missouri, could set a hen and earn \$5.00 for prohibition, many W. C. T. U. women and girls can set a hen and earn \$5.00 for W. C. T. U. educational purposes. We cannot hope for victory until a great educational work is done and thereby we gain the membership and influence that will enable us to win the victory.

By educational work, I mean that every Union should hold at least one evening meeting in a home quarterly—in the home because of the social feature. Every Union should have at least four public meetings a year; if possible, to have an excellent speaker each time. If all the State speakers have been heard and others are desired, for information regarding national speakers, write to our National Secretary, Mrs. Susanna M. D. Fry, Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill.

Each year a Union is supposed to have a plan for special educational work. This is well. Whatever the greatest need of the community, that is the thing to work for. To accomplish results, secure at least three different kinds of literature on the subject and then systematically distribute one kind thoroughly from house to house. Have a special meeting on that subject and so on, until some definite work is accomplished. It can be done. Distribute the National Annual Leaflet to the educated people of the community. Secure subscriptions to the *Union Signal*. To accomplish the larger results, it requires money for purchase of supplies and sustaining of the work. Set a W. C. T. U. hen and earn \$5.00, more or less, for the treasury.

PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

Our thirty-first annual report is a great improvement. The programs, the county and local directory and the directory of department superintendents are all very helpful and will, it is to be hoped, be continued. Superintendents are reported, I believe, for thirty-seven counties. Of these, only seven have reported names of Superintendents for the Department of Peace and Arbitration. To these and to a few more that I know of and to the County Presidents not reporting Superintendents of Peace, I have just sent out a circular letter and programs, with report, from which I hope to hear from time to time.

It does seem—as the daily papers bring us the harrowing tidings from the far east of carnage and cruelties, of terrible determination on the part of each nation to fight it out to the bitter end and of suffering too horrible to be dwelt upon—it does seem that the Christian women of the world ought to be heard in protest against the continuance of the war. At least I do hope that the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will faithfully agitate the theme of Peace and Arbitration and that Indiana will not be

behind in the matter of holding meetings and scattering literature on the subject. I am always glad to get a letter from a W. C. T. U. sister asking for literature or for information which I can supply. With a small expenditure in this line we may scatter seeds that will hasten in the kingdom of good will. The enemy is sowing tares of militarism at a cost of millions of money and thousands of human lives. Let us oppose to this our mite of protest and our earnest prayers for peace—universal peace. This only is true victory.

Richmond, Ind.

H. LAVINIA BAILY,
State Superintendent.

MERCY DEPARTMENT.

I find in the program printed in the Minutes that the Departments of Peace and Arbitration and Mercy have been combined, to which I have no objection whatever if a part of it had represented the Mercy work, but as it does not, I send herewith two programs, which I hope will be used by as many Unions as possible, especially by all those having a Mercy Superintendent. All those who use this should report the same to the State Superintendent of Mercy when making yearly report.

Your present Superintendent will resign her position at the Mid-Year Executive meeting and recommend another to take her place who will strive just as earnestly to urge the work forward, and I hope that every local and county superintendent will write to her as soon as her name is announced through the MESSAGE and endeavor in every way to advance the cause of kindness and mercy to all God's speechless animals. I shall ever pray God's blessing to rest on every worker in the ranks of the White Ribbon army.

PROGRAM NO. 1.

Devotional.
Responsive reading found in Mercy Supplement.
Repeat Mercy Pledge and sing Mercy hymn.
Roll Call, answered by gems of poetry relating to kindness to animals, or other quotations from prominent writers relating to animal life.
Paper—What are the Birds Worth?
Discussion.
Recitation—Spare the Birds. (See Mercy Supplement.)
Secure signers to the Bird Pledge.
Song—Scatter Sunshine.
Adjournment.

PROGRAM NO. 2.

Devotional—50th Psalm.
Singing Band of Mercy Hymn:
(Tune—America, or other P. M.)
O, sweet Humanity,
Lifting, from sea to sea,
Protecting hands
And voices winged with prayer
Lord of the earth and air,
Of sea and caverns there,
Breathe Thy commands!
Where toil dumb laborers
For gain and ease not theirs,
Stay Thou the blow!
And where Thy cattle moan,
Famished and fevered grown,
O, teach man's heart of stone
Pity to know!
—Mrs. Fairchild, of Chicago.

Roll Call, answered with short stories illustrating faithfulness of animals
Paper—Woman's Responsibility to Our Speechless Friends, the Animals.
Discussion.
Recitation—Kinship, by Ella Wheeler Wilcox.
(See Mercy Supplement.) Lou E. RALL,
State Superintendent.

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

We have only two County Superintendents in the Department of Soldiers and Sailors and I desire very much to make a nice scrap-book for the State by the close of the year and will be grateful to any that will assist me by saving clippings on this subject and send to me not later than August 15.

MRS. LIZZIE HEATH,
310 E. Walnut st., Indianapolis. State Superintendent.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Some things the Sabbath Observance Department would like to see accomplished this year:

1. Have a Superintendent for every county.
2. Have a Superintendent for every Local Union.
3. Work in harmony with other organizations. In union there is strength.
4. Request Unions to make offerings for literature. Leaflets have had an important part in most reforms. In this work they should be freely circulated at factory gates on Saturday evenings, that the men may be reminded that the next day is a holy day and not a holiday; at the postoffice on Sunday mornings; at the churches, the Sunday schools and the L. T. L.'s; from house to house and at all public gatherings.
5. Ask pastors to preach upon this subject. Most ministers will gladly comply with your request.
6. Furnish your editors with short, up-to-date items on the Sabbath question. The importance of the public press as an educator should never be forgotten.
7. Ask the co-operation of the young people's societies of the various churches. Also present the subject at the mid-week prayer meeting.
8. A systematic crusade for Sabbath observance pledge signing should be inaugurated in every community.

9. Circulate petitions for a Sunday rest law.

10. Petition the postoffice department to close local postoffices on Sunday. They are kept open or closed as the public desires. Have Christian workers circulate petitions asking that they be closed. If possible, secure the help and leadership of the ministers and then get the names of leading business men to head these petitions. A form of petition may be secured from your State Superintendent or on page 71, Appendix B, of the Sabbath Manual.

11. Educate the people not to patronize places of business on Sunday and urge the merchants to agree among themselves not to keep open on that day.

12. To make the home life interesting, pleasant and profitable on the Sabbath day will bring its reward. Leaflet No. 16, Sabbath Sunshine in the Home, offers some excellent suggestions.

KATIE WERT HOLLER,
State Superintendent.

The Indianapolis Central Union has issued an elaborate annual program. This was made possible by an advertisement being secured which paid for 200 copies of the book. The advertisement is of the Physio-Medical College of Indiana, located at Indianapolis. It is reasonable and most fitting that this School of Medicine should thus co-operate with the W. C. T. U., inasmuch as in all its practice it discards the use of alcohol and all other narcotics as medicines.

THE PRESS.

In her circular letter, our National Press Superintendent gives the following helpful suggestions:

Give to the press all of your news. Keep the papers in touch with your Unions and posted on the work and doings of your Union. Have at least one parlor meeting this year in the interests of the Press Department, inviting as special guests the newspaper people of the city or town; make it an enjoyable occasion and get the editors to add to the enjoyment by giving short addresses or papers.

She urges the keeping of a careful record of all work done and more columns maintained than last year. She also urges the saving of the clippings in some way and thinks the scrap-book the better way. She offers a year's subscription to the *Union Signal* again this year for the best scrap-book put in her hands at the next National convention. Let us bring the prize to Indiana again, sisters. We can, for we have. For the best scrap-book taken to the next State convention, I will give as a reward one year's subscription to the *Union Signal*. Keep a careful record of all that you are doing and I hope to be able to send out the blank reports soon and will as soon as I receive them.

If the County Press Superintendents will kindly send me the names and addresses of their local Superintendents, I will be glad and am anxious to send them press literature which will be helpful to them in the work. When a new one is appointed, please send me her name. Perhaps I can assist her in some way.
LAURA G. CAMMACK,
Converse, Ind. State Superintendent.

HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Six or seven Unions have lately sent offerings of from \$1.35 to \$5.00, and Miss Cora Ashcroft, a member of Anderson Y., has sent \$10.00, for which we are very thankful. There are about 270 Unions in Indiana and since State convention only three have held contests according to the constitution and but seventeen sent offerings for the support of Hadley Industrial School. The school belongs to the 270, but these 20 Unions are the only ones contributing in five months!

What is your duty towards Hadley Industrial School? A small offering from each Union would pay all bills and put us out of debt. See the February MESSAGE and again read the appeal for Hadley. Besides the \$800, we are needing supplies for the house, such as table linen, granite ware, a patent churn, rag carpet rugs, a horse and buggy, etc. We have been obliged to order about forty dollars' worth of new fence, but no money in the treasury to pay for it. We wish to express our thanks for all favors and gifts to the school. On behalf of Managing Board,

LIZZIE C. HANN,
President.

REPORT ON ONE THOUSAND DOLLAR FUND

Last report to MESSAGE.....	\$371.38
St. Joseph Union.....	3 00
Mrs. J. D. Garnet, Marion Central.....	1.00
" Rhoda Wilhite, Monrovia.....	1.00
" Mollie Burchfield, Princeton.....	1 00
Miss Retta Lynn, Princeton.....	1 00
Mrs. George Roberson, Fairfield Union.....	1 00
" Melissa Kellum, Fairfield Union.....	1.00
" Mattie E. H. Chandler, Fairfield Union.....	1.00
" Dr. M. A. Jessup, Fairfield Union.....	1.00
" Addie Reeve, Fairfield Union.....	1.00
" Emma Kellum, Fairfield Union.....	.25
" Hannah Kellum, Fairfield.....	.25
" Orpha Mendenhall, Fairfield Union.....	.25
" Jennie Barnett, Fairfield Union.....	.50
Miss Ruth Ratliff, Fairfield Union.....	.50
Total.....	\$385 13

MATTIE E. H. CHANDLER,
Treasurer Hadley Industrial School.

When the preachers speak the word the church will fall in line, and when the church seriously attacks the liquor traffic the battle will be won.



MRS. E. B. INGALLS,
Superintendent Anti-Narcotics, National W. C. T. U.

ITINERARY OF STATE LECTURER.

The train over the Vandalia was more than an hour late when we reached South Bend, February 18, but I found dear Mrs. Fassnacht at the station. We were driven to the beautiful home of Mrs. Paxton, where, to my great surprise and delight, I found about one hundred invited guests to receive me. This is part of a tired heart's reward here, to know that loyal hearts place their own true hands underneath each burden we strive to bear, and, oh, how often we find these burdens borne so bravely and cheerfully by the local workers that we forget there is any sacrifice at all in the service.

Our meetings there were full of hope. The cause is popular. I was entertained in the splendid home of Mr. and Mrs. Myron Campbell. That, with the reception by the W. C. T. U. and the churches, gave me many blessed memories of South Bend.

The evening at Elkhart was also most enjoyable. Our dear Mrs. Travis had been quite sick, but was able to go to the church for the first time in many months. One thing impressed me, the meeting was held in a conservative Presbyterian church and I found them just as aggressive and determined as the Methodist congregation I had met in the morning. I felt truly,

"The earth is sweeping heavenward's way,
Though burdened with its sorrow,
And where the vanguard fights to-day
The rear will camp to-morrow."

On Monday evening I spoke for the Y. of Richmond, and March 9 and 10 was spent with Mrs. Hall's veterans at Franklin. Their Institute was a decided success. The paper by Dr. Terhune on A Pure Food Law was worth the entire cost of the Institute. An able discussion of Patent Medicines by Franklin physicians was enjoyed by all. Many new members are added to the Union each day.

Sunday night I was requested by my own pastor to fill his pulpit at the First Presbyterian Church at Liberty. As a surprise for me, my own loyal Union worked up a union service, and Liberty has not had such another audience at a W. C. T. U. meeting in her history.

I have twenty-seven new members to report since my last. But, sisters, to get new names is not enough. We must hold the old ones, and to do this let us set every woman to work. I go to Indianapolis next.

ELIZABETH T. STANLEY.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Much interest is being manifested at the present time in the Loyal Temperance Legion work all over our State. I have been in correspondence with several Legions who are reporting splendid work and every few days Mrs. Mix and myself are hearing of some place desiring a Legion where none has been heretofore. These things are encouraging. A call has come from Moore's Hill for an organizer for a Senior Legion. The Bedford Legion has a class which will graduate about April 1 and in Kokomo a new Senior has been organized with about twenty members. This Legion is known as the Anna A. Gordon Senior and meets every Monday evening. It is divided into two classes, one studying volume 1 of the Manuals preparatory to graduation and the other the civil government manuals of the Seal course. The meetings are made lively and interesting and the attendance is splendid, as is also the interest. The Sunday Morning Legion is known as the Ida M. Mix Legion, they desiring to bear the name of our beloved State Secretary.

It is time we were thinking and planning for our State convention. From present indications, the convention will be held July 27 and 28 at Acton Park Assembly. The Assembly has very graciously invited us to hold our convention there, providing for us entertainment during the convention time. This is a splendid opportunity, a central place and pleasant surroundings, together with the fact that we are to have the best convention Indiana has ever had. I want to urge upon you the necessity of beginning now to plan to be at the convention and to see that your reports are in the hands of the proper officers

by June 15, so that you will get your just deserts in the convention. You will hear from the Treasurer soon regarding the payment of dues. Watch each Message for items concerning the convention.

Indiana is expecting to have a real treat in the visit of Herbert C. Shattuck, President of New York, who, if present plans carry out, will be in our State for one week during July. Mr. Shattuck is a bright, energetic young man, a splendid speaker and a successful worker and will be warmly welcomed in our State. We are hoping he may also be in our convention. Also Miss Wintringer, editor of the *Crusader Monthly*, will very likely be in our convention and we are sure to receive great inspiration from her. Let us be earnestly at work to bring up our work in each local Legion and if there should be any one who sees this who does not get the *Crusader*, I urge upon you to subscribe at once, as we must have it to keep properly in touch with the work. The price, 25 cents a year, is so small that none of us can afford to be without it. Let us put our shoulders to the wheel more determinedly than ever and we shall succeed beyond our highest hopes.

Kokomo, Ind.

EDITH HILLIS.

BRIEF NOTES.

Mrs. Gulie E. Shugart, Grant County's beloved President, organized a new Union, March 1, at Maple Run, with twelve regular and three honorary members.

With Mrs. Laura Wert-Axtell as President and Mrs. Mabel Jeffries-Locke for Secretary, Colfax Union is reviving and new members are added nearly every meeting.

Muncie Union mourns the loss of a beloved member, Miss Margie Collins, aged 19 years, who has been called home. She was much interested in the temperance work.

Elkhart Union held a Frances E. Willard memorial service in the Presbyterian church. Mrs. Stanley made a fine address; new members received and a good collection.

Mrs. Etta Peters, Grant County's Evangelist, and Mrs. Ida Cunningham, Secretary of the Loyal Temperance Legion Branch, have almost completed a tour of the local Unions in the county.

Monrovia Union worked hard to help secure the passage of the anti-cigarette law, and has written the United States Senator asking his influence toward unseating Reed Smoot, Senator from Utah.

Mrs. Thomas Sedwick entertained members of Central Union in her home, 1420 South Harlan street, March 10. Sandwiches, pickles and coffee were served. The evening was much enjoyed.

Mrs. S. M. Stahl, of Hartford City, organized a Union of nine members at Ingalls. By invitation of the Methodist pastor, Rev. J. W. Berba, she spoke twice in his church with great acceptance to pastor and people.

Bluffton—Frances Willard Union met with Mrs. Ratliff, Mrs. McFadden presiding. After an interesting business meeting Mrs. McFadden spoke on Our Mercy Work. Reading by Myrtle Millington. Several ministers present.

Chapin Park Union has raised for the Frances Willard Hospital, in Chicago, half enough money to furnish a room and has invited the other Unions to make up the amount, so that St. Joseph County may have a room in the hospital.

Friends of Mrs. Ada B. Leck, State Superintendent of Fairs and Open Air Meetings and formerly President of Marion County W. C. T. U., will regret that her health is not improving and that it is again impossible for her to receive the visits of her friends.

St. Joseph County—The South Bend *Tribune*, of February 20, said of Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley: She presented her thoughts in a clear, clever and very convincing manner and in such a fascinating way as to not only delight, but to enthuse her auditors as well.

The Clara Sears Y., of Richmond, had the pleasure of hearing Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley at a meeting held on March 6. There are now over twenty members and they are writing a serial story entitled the Sunny Side Y. Each member writes a chapter in turn.

In the death of Mr. Hobbs, of Ireland, DuBois County, our temperance cause has lost a valued friend and worker. He was ever ready and anxious to help his dear, good wife in whatever W. C. T. U. work she planned. Thus our friends are passing over and our hearts are sad.

Members of Central Union had two very pleasant surprises at their last meeting. The first was the presence of Mrs. Mary Moody, who has been confined to her room since last November and the other a loving letter from Mrs. Hattie W. Brand, in which was a generous donation for the treasury of Central Union.

Hartford City has had the pleasure of having Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, our State President, for two premium lectures. It was an inspiration to hear her. The people were well pleased. I heard the Christian minister say that it was the finest exposition he ever heard on that subject. We were delighted to have such a sweet spirited, noble hearted woman in our homes. We secured five new members and expect to have another premium lecture before the fall convention.

Crown Point Union held a very interesting Frances E. Willard memorial service February 17. A very impressive review of Miss Willard's life was given by Rev. T. H. Ball. In memoriam, by Ella Warner; Frances E. Willard's Message to the Womanhood of the Age, by Mrs. Gibbs; solo, Love and Do, Mrs. Vilmer.

Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer organized a Union at Sheridan, March 10, with Mrs. Rev. Hopkins as President and Mrs. Laura Owens as Vice-President. They will come into the State in June with twenty charter members. Miss Palmer spoke to a full house there at the Friends' Church. All Christian denominations of the city were represented.

Mrs. Toner writes: Morgan County Institute will be held at Morgantown, May 17 and 18. Date was changed on account of bad roads. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Leader. The County Union is making plans for a successful Institute. Mrs. Vayhinger spent the 21st and 22d of March in Morgan County. She is an inspiration to all White Ribboners.

Normal City Union, Muncie, observed Frances Willard memorial at the M. E. Church on Sunday evening. Mr. C. J. Everson, pastor, gave a most tender tribute to Miss Willard's loving, lovely Christian life. The President, Mrs. Ella Bond, gave an original poem, affectionately dedicated to the members of the Union. We had a full house and an excellent collection.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley addressed the people at the morning services in the Presbyterian church at College Corner, January 29, on the subject, Thou Hast Not Dealt So with Any People. In the afternoon at the same place she gave her report of the national convention to an appreciative audience. Both services were greatly enjoyed. Collection at the morning service, \$5.36.

Prohibition Rally Day was observed by Meridian Union, Mrs. Simms, President, March 19, by services in the United Brethren Church at 10:30 A. M. Mrs. E. G. Cornelius conducted the devotional exercises and a sermon was preached by the pastor, Rev. Spurgeon Parker. Also in the Irvington M. E. church, where Mrs. M. W. Bond conducted the devotional services and the pastor, Rev. W. G. Clinton, preached the sermon.

Indianapolis Frances Willard Union held a commemorative meeting for Frances E. Willard at the home of Mrs. William Blodgett, February 14. Mrs. McWhirter gave a most excellent address on the early part of her life. Mrs. Scott and others gave short talks. A duette by Mrs. Wert and Miss Blodgett; a recitation, Marie Wilson; solo, Earl Oldridge; recitation, Eva Smith; a social hour while refreshments were served.

Grant County Executive held a special meeting in Carnegie Hall, Marion, to arrange the program for the annual Institute, which will occur at Jonesboro March 30-31. On the first evening of the Institute, Mrs. Julia Overman, State Superintendent of Medal Contests, will conduct a Matrons' Diamond Medal Contest, with a musical contest in connection. Mrs. Elizabeth Houghton, Institute Leader, will deliver a lecture on the second evening.

Warren Union observed Frances Willard Memorial Day and in the evening Mrs. Josephine Walmer, of Bluffton, gave her report of the National Convention. Surely we have a perfect right to say that it cannot be excelled. As a W. C. T. U. member she is an organizer; as a Christian she is a consecrated woman. May we have more such W. C. T. U. women. She pinned on ten ribbons and we had a gain of seven members, and some good seed sown that will bring forth fruit in time.

The Union Signal, issue March 9, contains letters from W. C. T. U. Presidents of twenty-one States, giving the status of temperance legislation. The information contained therein is what every W. C. T. U. worker in Indiana needs. If you are not a subscriber, send 5 cents for this copy of the *Union Signal*. Read it and get your husband to read it and then give to your pastor to read; afterwards, give it to a good lawyer to read. Send to the *Union Signal*, Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill.

Union memorial service was held in the U. B. Church on Sunday evening, February 19, in honor of Miss Willard. Three pastors gave addresses on the subjects mentioned in the MESSAGE. The fourth took Miss Willard as a patriot. They all did honor to their subject and to themselves. The choirs of the different churches united in the music. A quartet of young men rendered Ashamed of Jesus in a very impressive manner. The church was packed and the offering was very creditable.

Elkhart Central Union was elegantly entertained, one evening recently, at the beautiful new home of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Steward. Washington and Frances Willard were the themes that engrossed the attention of a large gathering of old and young people. Mrs. Carrie Nation sold hatchets and gathered a fine sum of money therefrom. These were red hatchets with white ribbon W. C. T. U. bows tied on, white hatchets with red spots, silver hatchets and gold ones. The stars and stripes floated above, while the young people gave instrumental music, songs and recitations. Three ministers made short speeches and a Michigan woman told of the great L. T. L. banquet at Philadelphia. The evening was spent in delightful enjoyment. Delicate refreshments were served.



MRS. MARY H. HUNT,
Superintendent Scientific Education, National W. C. T. U.

South Bend—Chapin Park Union observed the Frances Willard Day. There was a good attendance and a fine program was given. Talks on her earlier life, home and environments, on her leadership, strength and power as an organizer, were given and extracts were read from the last number of the *Union Signal*, which were well received. There were also several good musical numbers given. The afternoon was well spent and Frances Willard seemed nearer than ever. Surely she is not dead, but still lives.

Syracuse Union was recently organized by Mrs. Louisa B. Arlen, of Kosciusko County. President, Mrs. Louisa B. Arlen; Vice-President, Mrs. Ida Given; Corresponding and Recording Secretary, Mrs. Jennie Weaver; Treasurer, Mrs. Alice B. Dolan; Superintendents—Press, Mrs. Pearl Darr; Literature, Mrs. Ella McPherson; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Mary Bailly; Flower Mission, Mrs. Geo. Weyricks; Mothers' Meetings and Medal Contests, to be supplied; Parliamentary Law, Mrs. L. B. Arlen. Thirty members and an L. T. L.

Princeton Union. On receipt of our MESSAGE SPECIAL some of us went right out that day through snow and slush with the anti-cigarette petition and had the twenty-five voters' names and the promise of letters to send the next morning. We held a public Willard memorial service, at which there was excellent music and an address by the superintendent of our city schools. The collection for the memorial fund amounted to more than was asked for. We received four new members. A *Union Signal* social was held on March 20, Neal Dow's birthday. On the 2d of March we packed a barrel for the Hadley School. We are hoping for opportunity to organize new Unions in the neighboring villages.

Broad Ripple January meeting was held at Mrs. Burchess' and was well attended. Our February meeting was held at the home of our President, Mrs. Kelso, and was well attended, but the weather was very bad. It was our seventeenth anniversary day. The different Superintendents of Departments gave their reports for as long and as far back as the departments had been carried. A most delightful lunch was served, which had been prepared by our President. Frances E. Willard memorial services were held Sunday, February 26, at the Broad Ripple Christian church.

Miss Alice Ruth Palmer has organized six Unions since our State convention in October. By appointments, made under direction of the committee of the Friends' Western Yearly Meeting for the Suppression of the Liquor Traffic, Miss Palmer has been speaking to large audiences every day for a fortnight. We welcome all new Unions and new members. We hope that the Ingalls Union will be aggressive. Mrs. Julia A. Trish, of Warsaw, is our State Superintendent of Work Among Foreign Speaking People. She has literature in great quantities and is anxious to help local Superintendents. Many Unions should carry on this work.

Mrs. Ethel Bair, County Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction in Public Schools, secured a place on the program of the County Teachers' Institute in November for Physiology and Scientific Temperance and Mrs. Nicely, Superintendent for Central Union, very ably presented the subject. Mrs. Bair, with local Superintendents, has attended the February Institutes of the township teachers and secured a place on the programs of their March Institutes, to be presented by one of their own members. The South Bend schools are doing better in this subject than for many years and the county teachers seem already interested.

The regular meeting of Meridian Union on March 8, was opened by repeating the pledge and singing the temperance doxology. After the business Mrs. Julia Goodheart, long connected with the Board of Children's Guardians, read an instructive paper, In the City's By-Ways, in which she gave personal experiences. Our Union is preparing to organize an L. T. L. at the Children's Guardians' Home. Judge Stubbs also spoke to us of the law just passed by the Legislature, which provides for the punishment of any adult who in any way contributes to the wrong doing of a child. Our attendance is fine and we are adding to our membership each month.

Marion County gave the State President an opportunity to meet in a personal and social way the women of the W. C. T. U. and other friends, at a reception given in the beautiful home of the President of the county, Mrs. Martha Gipe. The rooms were decorated with spring flowers; young ladies from the different Unions presided at the tea table and in the dining room, where orange ice and white cake, emblematic colors, were served. The flowers in this room were daffodils. Mrs. Gipe was assisted by the Presidents of local Unions and the County officers. Mrs. Vayhinger was entertained by her sister, Mrs. Thomas Sedwick, during her stay in Indianapolis.

The visit of Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, State President of the W. C. T. U., was much enjoyed by Marion County women. One new Union was organized. It will be called the Culla Vayhinger Union, in her honor. The Sunday meetings, held in the First Baptist church in the morning, under the auspices of the Central Union and in Howard Place M. E. Church in the evening, by Northeast Union, were largely attended and much enjoyed. Cordial invitations were given Mrs. Vayhinger by the pastors of both churches to visit them again. Seventeen new members were added to Northeast Union at this service. Nearly all Unions in the county have an increased membership as a result of Mrs. Vayhinger's visit.

Central Union held a Sabbath Observance meeting, March 16, in the home of Mrs. W. D. Cooper. Mrs. Sperry led the devotional exercises. Rev. Joshua Stansfield, an honorary member of this Union, spoke on the subject, The Liquor Traffic an Enemy to Sabbath Observance. Rev. Wm. Criley's subject was, How We Shall Spend the Sabbath. Mrs. Brumleigh, of the Door of Hope, gave a statistical report of the work done in the Home in the last six months and asked the members of Central Union to visit the institution. Miss Lucretia Hobart, Superintendent in Central Union of the Hadley School, gave a very interesting talk of the school's past and of what was hoped for in the near future. Miss Irene Bowman and the Misses Reynolds furnished vocal and instrumental music. Miss Maud Baker gave a recitation in her own charming manner.

Oxford Union observed Frances E. Willard Memorial Day on Sunday and had a very interesting meeting and a much larger crowd than last year. The pastors and musicians of the town assisted. Solos were sung from the Temperance Songster and the choir furnished two temperance songs. The Presbyterian minister's wife gave the biography of Miss Willard. She is not a member, but was much interested in her subject and she pleased the audience very much. One new member was secured, which makes four for us this quarter and five since the State convention. Our County President, Mrs. Amanda Smith, made the collection speech, telling in a few well chosen words the story of The Living Monument We Build. Mrs. Lily M. Petree gave Frances E. Willard's Message to the Womanhood of the Age. The people here seem to be waking up to the aim of the W. C. T. U. and we thank God and take courage.

Liberty Center Union is much encouraged and is doing some work for the cause it represents. On December 19, we had with us Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, who gave us a most excellent address and every one who heard it was much benefited and I am sure our people would greatly enjoy hearing her again. January 2, we had with us Mrs. S. M. Stahl, who conducted a very successful Mothers' Meeting in the afternoon and five gave their names for membership and in the evening she delivered a lecture to a good size audience, which was much appreciated by all who heard it. January 17, Mrs. D. A. Walmer, our beloved County President, gave her report of the National convention to a very appreciative audience, after which membership was solicited and twelve names were secured, of which nine were honorary members. We are endeavoring to faithfully sow the seed and God will surely give the harvest in due season.

The newly organized W. C. T. U. of Syracuse had the pleasure of the services of Rev. M. A. Tompkins, of Elkhart, recently, on Saturday and Sunday. On Saturday evening at the U. B. Church she discussed the departments of the work, emphasizing Mothers' Meetings, L. T. L. work, Scientific Temperance Instruction, etc. A Frances E. Willard memorial service was held at the M. E. Church on Sunday afternoon. Appropriate music was furnished by the choir, of which the most impressive was the song composed to commemorate the last words of Miss Willard, How Beautiful to be with God. Mrs. Tompkins spoke to a large and appreciative audience on Frances E. Willard as an Educator, Organizer and Reformer. Her remarks were entertaining and en-

lightening and were well received. On Sunday evening at the U. B. Church she preached on Faith. Her services were a great inspiration and encouragement to the local work here.

Tippecanoe County. There have been two new Unions organized in Tippecanoe County through the work of Miss Eliza Baker, the County President, and Mrs. Sarah Edgerton. These offsprings of the LaFayette Union are called the Monon Union and the Edgerton Union. In the fall a contest to secure new members was engaged in and as many of the new members reside in West LaFayette, they decided to form a new Union and to call it the Edgerton Union. A reception in honor of the new members was given at the home of Mrs. C. C. Robinson. At the last business meeting of the LaFayette Union, \$25.00 was donated towards the equipment of a bath room in the Hadley Home for Girls and a letter has been received acknowledging the receipt of the money. This money is the result of a rummage sale. A box of flowers was recently sent by Tippecanoe County to Governor Hanly in appreciation of his attitude towards pending temperance legislation and a very kind letter in reply was received from him.

Chapin Park Union (South Bend) recently gave a delightful musical and literary entertainment at the home of Mrs. Fassnacht. Although it was a cold night, the spacious rooms were well filled and all enjoyed an excellent program, each number receiving a hearty encore. A paper, The Greatest Trust of All, was read by Mrs. Priscilla Beyrer. The central thought was that the child entrusted by God to the care of parent, teacher and the church was the greatest trust—that these three factors should combine for the moral, physical and intellectual growth of the child. A request has been made to have this paper published. Rev. Rice, of the Christian Church, spoke on the advanced work of the W. C. T. U. and the Frances Willard Temperance Hospital at Chicago, with which the W. C. T. U. is so well acquainted. The entertainment was given to raise funds toward furnishing a room in the hospital, feeling that this is one of the very best educational forces, proving to the world that alcohol in any form is absolutely unnecessary in medical or surgical cases. About \$30 was received. The room, when furnished, will be named the St. Joseph County W. C. T. U. room.

Allen County Institute was held in the M. E. church, Monroeville, March 13-14. Mrs. Mary Hadley-Hall, Leader. Much interest was manifested. After the necessary routine of business for the organization of the Institute was completed, the program, as given in the MESSAGE, was carried out with few variations. The evening address was delivered by Mrs. Hall to a large and attentive audience. Though the weather was very unfavorable, on Tuesday the ladies marshalled their forces and took up their work with renewed zeal. A delegation from Crescent Union was present, also several from Hoagland. Greetings were received from Ft. Wayne Union. A goodly number of gentlemen were present during the entire session. Dinner was served in the church parlors by the ladies. Very interesting papers were read. Subscriptions were received for the *Union Signal*, *American Mother* and *Crusader Monthly*. Many new members were added to the roll. A Loyal Temperance Legion of twenty-two members was received. The last evening, a silver medal contest was held. Miss Hallie Hume received the medal. Music was furnished by the Eureka quartette. A solo by Miss Kittie Ireland was enjoyed. The auditorium was filled to overflowing, making it necessary to open the doors to the lecture room. Many stood through the entire service. A generous collection was received from the appreciative audience.

IN MEMORIAM.

ELNORA CRAFT—Our beloved sister, Elnora Craft, of Hartford City, departed this life January 7, to join the angels on the other shore. At the age of 14 years she was converted and joined the M. E. Church and has had a rich Christian experience. At all times the burden of her life was to see the cause of Christ advanced. We shall miss her.

MRS. KATE T. A. STRAW—Resolutions by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, of Tippecanoe County, Ind.: Resolved, That since it has been the will of our Heavenly Father to remove from among us a faithful and earnest worker of our Union, Mrs. Kate T. A. Straw, that we shall ever endeavor to cherish her in our memories and keep forever fresh in our minds her deep interest and excellent work as County Corresponding Secretary, which office she held until her death.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family and to the MESSAGE for publication.

MISS ELIZA BAKER,
President.
MRS. W. P. JESTER,
MRS. J. H. MARQUIS,
Committee.

MRS. MARY RHODES—During the absence of both President and Vice-President, on account of sickness, the members of Northeast Union performed the burial services for their deceased sister, Mrs. Mary Rhodes, sister Sarah Henderson tying the bow of white ribbon around the casket, as instructed by the W. C. T. U. funeral ritual. Sister Rhodes departed this life February 24. She has gone from us, but our loss is her gain. She has left the blessed assurance that she was going home to receive her crown. We shall miss her in our meetings, but hope to meet in a better world where there will be no more parting and no more tears.

CICERO QUINN—On February 26, Cicero Quinn died of pneumonia after a very short illness. The loving sympathy of women in Marion and other counties, where Mrs. Quinn is known as a tireless W. C. T. U. worker, goes out to her in her time of trouble. Four children are left fatherless by the death of Mr. Quinn.

MRS. IDA COPPER—Died Sunday, March 5, after having been an invalid for eighteen months. She was the daughter of a temperance worker and lecturer. At the time of her first sickness she held the position of Recording Secretary in Marion County and Treasurer of Central Union, where she had served as Union President the preceding two years. Rev. William Criley, Mrs. McWhirter and Mrs. Gipe conducted the funeral services. Her husband and a young son survive her.

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Miss Mary Woodard, the newly elected State Corresponding Secretary, is a member of the Society of Friends, a graduate of Earlham College, a public speaker of ability and has a rare winsome personality. For years she has been in educational work and comes to us with valuable experience.

The Mid-Year Convention was held in the beautiful town of Mulberry, in Clinton County, a place easily accessible from many parts of the State.

Miss Mary E. Woodard, of Fountain City, was elected State Corresponding Secretary to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Harriet Brand, resigned on account of having been elected National Treasurer.

By Mrs. Brand's election it seemed that Indiana's loss was irreparable, but in the election of Miss Woodard we are most fortunate and feel assured that we shall have the co-operation so loyally given in the past to Mrs. Brand.

The Oratorical Contest work was represented by the State Superintendent, Mrs. Julia Overman. About two hundred contests have been held since the State Convention. The aim of the Superintendent is that Indiana shall hold seven hundred this year. To do this the Unions will have to be more active during the next six months. On Saturday evening of the State Convention a diamond medal contest will be held by our State Superintendent.

Mrs. Lou E. Rall, so many years State Superintendent of Mercy, sent in her resignation because of the removal of the family to Los Angeles, Cal. Mrs. Flora T. Neff, of Logansport, was elected to fill Mrs. Rall's unexpired term.

Mrs. Walmer, President of Wells County, has organized eight new Unions since the State Convention. At Dana, the net proceeds of the oratorical contest held during the Institute were \$35.00.

Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall moved that the County Presidents urge their Unions to hold constitutional contests for Hadley Industrial School.

Mrs. Stanley received a premium of fifty books last year from the National Superintendent for holding the best oratorical contest with largest receipts.

The Treasurer gave an itemized report. A gain of 298 members made in the first six months.

On motion of Mrs. Hall the memorial fund of \$2.00 was directed sent to the National through the County and State Treasuries.

The committee directed all premium lectures won by the Unions to be given by the order of the Treasurer, as she alone is able to compare the present quarter's gain with the corresponding quarter of last year, and sometimes not sufficient dues have reached the State Treasury to warrant the lecture.

ISLAND PARK ASSEMBLY JULY 19 TO AUG. 11.

The W. C. T. U. will be in evidence during the entire session with the following workers in charge: Literature Booth—Mrs. Mary E. Balch, Louisville. Kindergartner—Miss Ruth Ransom, Chicago.

Pianist—Miss Laura Kindig, Huntington. Physical Culture and Elocution—Miss Maud Baker, Indianapolis.

Loyal Temperance Legion—Mrs. M. E. Evertson, Indianapolis.

Mothers' Meetings—Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, State President, and Mrs. F. T. McWhirter.

W. C. T. U. DAYS AUGUST 8 AND 9.

Aug. 8, 2 P. M.—Miscellaneous program in charge of departments.

Aug. 9, forenoon—W. C. T. U. Conference and address by Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, State President.

Afternoon—Lecture by Mrs. Florence D. Richards, of Ohio, National Lecturer.

Evening—Diamond medal contest by class of young men from Michigan, Ohio and Indiana.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

The Loyal Temperance Legion in Indiana has good news for you. It is growing! It has grown in the past six months into a healthy organization and consequently its needs have grown. The Legion as a State organization has never appealed to you for financial assistance, but now we must have funds to carry on the work. No doubt you have noticed the growth and progress made in the States all about us, and the way it is opening up in Indiana for a regular campaign in L. T. L. work, but we must have people in the field. You all know how absolutely necessary has been the field worker to the spread of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and the same thing is true in the work of the Legion, and to do this we must have funds. I can appeal to you only through individuals, and this I will do in a very short time. I know you are all interested in the work of the Loyal Temperance Legion and that you will help what you can, and I appeal to every mother heart for some assistance at this time. The Legion is loyal to the mother Union and looks to it at all times for counsel and guidance, and we now feel that you are the ones to whom we must look for the financial aid we so sorely need. Send me any amount you can, and I assure you Mrs. Mix and I will use our very best judgment, together with that of some of the State W. C. T. U. officers, in its expenditure, that we may get the very largest possible results.

EDITH HILLIS.

As it is nearing the time for us to look after our financial affairs, I wish to impress upon each Legioner that their dues should be in my hands by the first of June, so that I may have plenty of time to prepare for the Convention. Our President has been urging all through the year that each Legion pay the dues for every pledged member, whether they pay their own or not, and I also think this would be a good idea, as it would give our State a better standing. This can be done by holding special entertainments or a pay social if there is not sufficient money in the treasury. I also want to remind you of Article 8 of our Constitution, which reads as follows: "The annual Convention shall be composed of the General Officers, the State Branch Secretary, County and Local Branch Secretaries and ALL PAID UP GRADUATES in attendance."

The beautiful banner which is awarded to the Legion paying the most dues will be brought to the Convention again this year, and we must not allow our Legion to keep it all the time, so every one must put forth their very best efforts to secure the largest possible number of paid members, and thus stand a good chance of securing this banner for the coming year. Again urging you to push things and to have your dues in on time, I remain yours,

NATHAN LENFESTY.

625 W. 4th st., Marion, Ind.

FLOWER MISSION.

This season should remind us more than ever of our duty to our suffering neighbor, as nature was never more interesting than at the present time. Let us improve the time by planting flowers, preparing for good work during the summer months.

The observance of the birthday anniversary of our dear sister, Jennie Casseday, is approaching, so let us prepare for the celebration thereof.

I wish to emphasize the importance of visiting the different State institutions upon this day. The observance of Flower Mission Day is certainly looked forward to with great pleasure by the inmates of these places, so let us give them cause to rejoice on June 9.

A very nice program is shown in the annual minutes. I would suggest using this on this day. Then, if possible, prepare a dainty luncheon, that we may feed bodies, as well as souls, with good things.

The Report blanks will be sent out soon, but I shall not expect them returned until September 15. I know that formerly the reports were sent out quarterly, but after consulting several different authorities and considering everything, I decided to send them but once.

Let us then be very careful in keeping reports. The questions below give us some idea of what work is expected in the Flower Mission department, but of course all missionary work is considered.

1. No. bouquets with Scripture texts distributed. No. text-cards tied with white ribbon.
2. No. baskets of food. Garments provided for the needy.
3. No. of delicacies furnished, such as jellies, fruits, lemonades, etc.
4. No. sick taken out riding or for an outing. Visits to the sick.
5. No. scrap books provided for the children's ward in hospitals or County infirmaries.
6. No. fans covered with Scripture texts distributed. Pictures tacked on sick people's walls.

7. No. rocking chairs or hammocks loaned or given.

8. No. hours spent in reading to the sick. Hours spent caring for the sick.

9. No. converted through the Mission.

10. No. signed pledge through the Mission.

I now have a supply of text cards on hand and will be glad to furnish them to you at 25 cents a hundred.

Remember that every dainty and bouquet must bear a card with it, or else it might not be considered in our report.

PROHIBITORY LAWS.

Kansas—44 counties without a pauper; 25 counties no poorhouses; 37 counties have not a single occupant in jails; 37 counties not a criminal case on court docket. Of the 27,000,000 people in the Southern states 17,000,000 are living under absolute prohibition.

Maine—There is not a single brewery or distillery in the state; there is not as much liquor in 50 illegal places in Maine as in one well equipped saloon in a license state; Maine has \$103.75 per capita deposited in its savings banks; Illinois has only \$20.75 per capita deposited; Ohio has only \$11.58 deposited per capita. In the entire state of Maine there were, fifty years ago, five savings institutions, and the whole savings in five institutions amounted to less than \$90,000, while to-day, after fifty years of prohibition, we have 57 savings banks in our State, 22 building and loan associations; 37 trust companies with aggregate deposits of more than \$113,000,000—the savings of the people under prohibition, and there is no other thing that it can be attributed to."—*Sheriff Pearson in Wisconsin Motor.*

Texas—The legislature has adopted a resolution petitioning the United States Congress to amend the interstate commerce laws as to give to States the right of jurisdiction over interstate shipments of liquor coming into the various States. By the passage of the Hepburn-Doliver bill this will be accomplished.

Mississippi—William E. Curtis, writing from Jackson, Miss., to the Chicago *Record Herald*, says: "The prohibition movement is quite vigorous, but is confined to local elections. The prohibitionists are now paying their attentions to the members of the legislature, with a view of securing a general statutory provision and a constitutional amendment prohibiting liquor traffic entirely. Under the leadership of Bishop Gallaway, of the Methodist Church, and Dr. W. T. Lowrey, of the Baptist Church, who are perhaps the two strongest men in the state and represent the two strongest religious denominations, all but thirteen of the seventy-six counties in Mississippi now prohibit the sale of liquor and forbid people to give it away. The remaining thirteen counties have license regulations. It costs \$1,000 to start a saloon anywhere in Mississippi, and in some counties the license fee is \$1,500. There are no saloons in Jackson, the capital, and people tell me that it is impossible for any one to get a drink of liquor there unless a person belongs to the Elks or some other social club. Private families are in the habit of getting liquor in demijohns by express from New Orleans as they need it, and on the days preceding holidays the "jug trains," as they are called, are well patronized. The few saloon-keepers in the state have a compact organization and employ shrewd attorneys, who were able to defeat the efforts to secure a general prohibition law at the last legislature. The temperance element will renew the fight at the next session, and in case it succeeds will follow up the victory by demanding a constitutional amendment. I am told that the only places in Mississippi where whisky is sold are Vicksburg, Natchez, Greenville, Canton, Biloxi, Gulfport and the small winter resorts along the gulf coast. The town of Canton is the only station on the main line of the Illinois Central Railroad between New Orleans and Memphis at which liquor is sold."

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Mrs. Caroline M. Bayless, of Mulberry, by her minister called Saint Caroline, died April 13, after one day's illness, at the age of 80 years. She was a charter member of the local W. C. T. U. and always wore her white ribbon. She was the mother of our dear Mrs. Hattie Steckel. During the Mid-Year Executive Conference, so recently held in Mulberry, Mrs. Bayless entertained Mrs. Stahl and Mrs. Walmer.

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National W. C. T. U. Convention, Los Angeles, Cal., October 25-November 2.

ANTI-CIGARETTE LAW.

The enforcement of this law must be demanded over the State. In localities where it is not enforced our temperance people must seek the cause and immediately secure the remedy. This law is the result of much effort, and now its enforcement will depend upon the requirements of the communities. The newspapers are the greatest means of communication. Publish the law. Every Union should get a tactful, well-informed person to keep the subject before the people through the papers. Do not think this a matter of little importance—it is of the utmost importance, and right now is the time.

TOOLS NECESSARY FOR W. C. T. U. MEMBERS.

The Annual Report of Indiana, to be had for 15 cents of Miss Clara M. Sears, Anderson, Ind.

The Annual Leaflet, to be secured from the National Treasurer, Mrs. Harriet W. Brand—75 cents per hundred.

The Official Organ of the National W. C. T. U., *The Union Signal*, Evanston, Ill.—price \$1.00, paid in advance.

Flower Mission Day, June 9, should be observed by every Union, at the poor farm or jail; at the closing hours of a factory, at car barns and wherever the short Gospel service and the button-hole bouquets with Scripture cards attached will be appreciated.

Hold Public Meetings if you expect your community to be interested in the W. C. T. U. Hold a Patent Medicine meeting. Get prominent physicians who do not use alcohol in their practice to take part in the program. For such a meeting it may be best to arrange to make it a parlor meeting. Have a short program—not to exceed an hour including the music. Serve refreshments. Invite the popular high school boys and girls to assist in serving.

ITINERARY OF STATE LECTURER.

Another month nearer the goal, and I pause to give you a word of good cheer from the field. Since my last I spent the 23d and 24th at Indianapolis at the splendid Institute so ably planned by the efficient leaders of Marion County W. C. T. U. Ten new members were added to the Union and the subscription list to the *Union Signal* received eleven names the past month.

The 25th and 26th was spent in LaFayette. On the evening of the first day we had a great meeting at the Soldiers' Home. They expect to organize a Union there later. On the Sabbath we had the women of

LaFayette in a mass meeting, while our noble Governor, J. Frank Hanley, addressed the men. At the evening service in West LaFayette several new names were added to the Union—14 in the city. Miss Baker may not be physically strong but she brings things to pass anyway, and with such loyal supporters as the Robinsons and others of the first families of the city our cause will be protected there until victory comes.

The 27th found me in Otterbein. The high school there suspended one hour and the superintendent brought all the pupils to the church. The house was crowded and two hundred children took our triple pledge. The evening service, a mass meeting, brought out a fine audience. The people of Benton County are in earnest about the saloon fight. They got the citizens out for a demonstration in one of their remonstrance contests and had over one hundred carriages in the procession. They are going to close all their saloons soon.

I went to Kirklin on the evening of the 3d and had one good audience in the Presbyterian Church.

The 4th and 5th were spent at Mulberry at Mid-Year Meeting. All the reports were gratifying except the one telling how many Unions had failed to give their contest for Hadley School. Now, sisters, since we must depend on this for a working fund for Hadley let us all try once more to gladden the hearts of our brave workers out there by sending a donation now and have our contest as soon as possible.

I went to Oxford on the 6th. Held one parlor meeting with their loyal little leader, Mrs. Amanda Smith; addressed a mass meeting at the church; secured several new members; spent the following day with the city school, and about one hundred pupils took the pledge.

On the 7th I went to Boswell. They have a small but most enthusiastic Union. They send the *Union Signal* to all the pastors in the town, and sent \$5 for Hadley School.

On the 8th I attended Mrs. Hall's Institute at Elwood. The Madison County women were very busy that day but I shall never forget the splendid noon-day reception at the City Hall. God bless them and add strength to their victorious army.

The 9th found me with Mrs. Stevenson, the matchless Corresponding Secretary of Grant County.

Gas City Union took advantage of the Portland Conference and while the preacher was away they had two meetings in the M. E. Church and got eight new members.

In the afternoon I attended a baby contest in Marion. It was the most enjoyable contest I ever attended. All of the class were under six years old. A little boy of five won the medal. Sisters, try this plan. Get the babies and the mothers will come and the fathers will follow by and by.

ELIZABETH T. STANLEY.

TREASURER'S REPORT—SECOND QUARTER. RECEIPTS.

Jan. 3.	Balance on hand from 1st quarter.....	\$417.40
" 5.	Dues, Marshall County.....	7.15
" 5.	Dues, Milan, Ripley County.....	3.20
" 5.	Minutes, Mrs. Dora Nelson, Muncie.....	1.05
" 5.	Minutes, Mrs. Florence Barnart, Monroeville.....	1.50
" 5.	Dues, Westfield, Hamilton County.....	10.40
" 7.	Dues, Wolcottville, LaGrange Co.....	3.90
" 10.	Dues, Montpelier, Blackford County.....	2.40
" 10.	MESSAGE for Carnegie Library, Hartford City.....	.25
" 11.	Minutes for Elwood, Madison Co.....	1.25
" 23.	Minutes, Seymour.....	.90
" 23.	Minutes, Huntington County.....	7.80
" 23.	Minutes, LaFayette Union.....	1.30
" 23.	Minutes, Wells County.....	10.09
" 26.	Minutes, Howard County.....	4.80
Feb. 18.	Dr. Daniels, for Keeley Cure ad. in Minutes.....	2.50
" 23.	Morgantown, for National Organization.....	2.00
" 23.	Morgantown, for State Organization.....	1.00
" 27.	Princeton, for Willard memorial fund.....	3.00
Mar. 9.	Albany, Willard Memorial fund.....	2.00
" 9.	Charles S. Norton, Indianapolis Cigarette work.....	1.00
" 9.	Batesville, for Hadley Ind. School.....	1.00
" 9.	Batesville, for Convention fund.....	.50
" 13.	Frances E. Willard, Richmond Memorial fund.....	2.00
" 17.	Pleasant Lake Memorial fund.....	2.00
" 17.	Bloomington minister.....	1.00
" 20.	Bath Union, overlooked 1st quarter.....	6.50
" 20.	MESSAGE for two honorary members.....	.50
" 20.	Roll, for memorial fund.....	1.00
" 20.	Jefferson Memorial fund.....	2.00
" 22.	Monrovia memorial fund.....	2.00
" 22.	Monrovia Minutes and express.....	2.15
" 25.	Minutes, Wabash County.....	.65

LIST OF UNIONS SENDING DUES AFTER JANUARY 10.

ALLEN COUNTY	BENTON COUNTY.
Frances Willard.....\$18.85	Boswell.....\$4.55
Crescent.....1.30	Otterbein.....6.50
Boston.....3.90	Oxford.....5.20
Hoagland......65	BLACKFORD COUNTY.
BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY.	Hartford City.....\$21.45
Columbus.....\$8.45	Montpelier.....10.40
Hartwell.....2.60	Roll......65
Hope.....1.30	Fairview.....5.85

CARROLL COUNTY.	CLARK COUNTY.
Burlington.....\$2.40	Jeffersonville.....\$11.05
CASS COUNTY.	CLAY COUNTY.
Logansport.....\$6.40	Brazil.....\$9.75
	Clay City......65
	CLINTON COUNTY.
	Frankfort.....\$6.50
	Rossville......65
	Mulberry.....1.95
	Jefferson.....3.90
	DAVISS COUNTY
	Odon.....\$8.00
	DEARBORN COUNTY.
	Guilford.....\$1.30
	Moore's Hill.....3.90
	Lawrenceburg.....3.90
	Bright.....10.40
	Aurora.....3.25
	DEKALB COUNTY.
	Butler.....\$0.65
	St. Joe Station.....1.30
	Garrett.....1.30
	Auburn.....3.90
	DELAWARE COUNTY.
	Normal City.....\$4.80
	Albany.....4.00
	Muncie.....1.60
	Eaton.....3.00
	DECATUR COUNTY.
	Greensburg.....\$7.80
	DELAWARE COUNTY.
	Eaton.....\$1.80
	ELKHART COUNTY.
	Elkhart.....\$7.80
	Goshen.....6.50
	Nappanee.....7.80
	Middlebury......65
	Goshen Y.....1.20
	FRANKLIN COUNTY.
	Brookville.....\$1.30
	GIBSON COUNTY.
	Princeton.....\$4.80
	GRANT COUNTY.
	Fairmount.....\$3.90
	Upland.....5.20
	Hadley.....1.95
	Fowlerton.....3.90
	Deer Creek.....9.75
	South Marion.....8.45
	Sweetser.....3.90
	Linwood......65
	Van Buren.....1.30
	Otterbein.....1.30
	Oak Chapel.....1.30
	Marion Central.....5.85
	Shugart.....2.60
	Jonesboro......65
	Gas City L. T. L......90
	HAMILTON COUNTY.
	Westfield.....\$9.75
	HANCOCK COUNTY.
	Western Grove.....\$5.20
	Greenfield.....6.50
	HENDRICKS COUNTY.
	Fairfield.....\$7.80
	Plainfield.....2.60
	Danville.....1.30
	HENRY COUNTY.
	Henry County.....\$12.55
	HOWARD COUNTY.
	Kokomo.....\$9.10
	South Kokomo.....1.30
	Greentown.....3.90
	Sycamore.....7.15
	Lindley.....1.30
	Phlox.....1.95
	West Middleton.....3.25
	Jerome.....1.30
	New London.....1.30
	HUNTINGTON COUNTY.
	Huntington.....\$12.00
	Warren.....9.60
	Markle.....6.40
	JAY COUNTY.
	Portland.....\$5.85
	Jay County.....8.40
	JEFFERSON COUNTY.
	Deputy.....\$8.80
	Madison.....32.80
	JENNINGS COUNTY.
	North Vernon.....\$0.80
	JOHNSON COUNTY.
	Franklin.....\$5.85
	Trafalgar.....7.15
	KNOX COUNTY.
	Vincennes.....\$4.80
	KOSCIUSKO COUNTY.
	Warsaw.....\$3.25
	Syracuse.....10.40
	LAKE COUNTY.
	Crown Point and Hammond.....\$4.55

LAWRENCE COUNTY.	MADISON COUNTY.
Mitchell.....\$1.95	Anderson W.....\$4.55
Bedford.....13.65	Anderson Y.....4.55
Bedford L. T. L.....2.40	Anderson Y......65
	Elwood.....8.45
	Alexandria.....3.25
	Lapel......65
	MARION COUNTY.
	Meridian.....\$11.05
	Frances Willard.....7.15
	Bridgeport.....4.55
	Northeast.....1.30
	Palmer.....1.30
	Mapleton.....8.45
	Indianapolis Cent'l.....15.60
	Broad Ripple.....4.15
	MARSHALL COUNTY.
	Argos.....\$0.65
	Bourbon.....1.85
	Bremen.....5.85
	Culver......65
	Plymouth......65
	MARTIN COUNTY.
	Loogootee.....\$3.41
	MIAMI COUNTY.
	Peru.....\$3.90
	MONROE COUNTY.
	Bloomington.....\$7.15
	MORGAN COUNTY.
	Monrovia.....\$1.30
	Mooresville.....3.90
	Morgantown.....14.30
	Martinsville.....5.85
	OHIO COUNTY.
	Rising Sun.....\$1.30
	OWEN COUNTY.
	Spencer.....\$9.80
	Gosport.....9.60
	PARKE COUNTY
	Marshall.....\$4.55
	POSEY COUNTY.
	Mt. Vernon.....\$5.65
	PULASKI COUNTY.
	Star City.....\$0.65
	Winamac.....4.55
	PUTNAM COUNTY.
	Greencastle.....\$24.73
	RIPLEY COUNTY.
	Versailles.....\$5.85
	Batesville.....4.55
	Milan......65
	Friendship.....3.25
	ST. JOSEPH COUNTY.
	S. Bend, Central.....\$5.20
	S. Bend, Colfax.....2.60
	S. Bend, Ch'pin P'k.....5.85
	Frances Willard.....3.25
	SPENCER COUNTY.
	Rockport.....\$2.40
	STEBEN COUNTY.
	Angola.....\$1.95
	Ashley.....1.95
	Fremont.....6.50
	Pleasant Lake.....5.85
	TIPPECANOE COUNTY
	Monon.....\$0.65
	LaFayette.....3.25
	Central.....5.85
	Edgerton.....1.95
	UNION COUNTY.
	Morocco.....\$0.65
	College Corner.....7.15
	Liberty.....6.50
	VANDERBURG COUNTY.
	Evansville Central.....\$8.45
	Howell.....2.60
	Frances E. Willard.....3.25
	VERMILLION COUNTY.
	Dana.....\$5.65
	WAYNE COUNTY.
	Frances Willard, Richmond.....\$1.95
	Clara M. Sears Y, Richmond.....1.40
	Fountain City.....1.95
	Economy.....3.90
	WELLS COUNTY.
	Ahlanen.....\$2.60
	Bluffton.....13.65
	Ennaus......65
	Frances Willard......65
	Josephine Walmer Y.....1.30
	Keystone.....1.30
	Liberty Center.....7.80
	Murray.....7.15
	Ossian.....5.20
	Poneto.....1.95
	Salem......65
	Six Mile.....1.30
	Tosin.....4.55
	Prospect......65

WABASH COUNTY.	WHITE COUNTY.
Wabash..... \$4.55	Monon..... \$3.90
South Wabash..... 1.95	
North Manchester. 9.10	
WASHINGTON COUNTY.	WHITLEY COUNTY.
Fredericksburg..... \$0.65	South Whitley..... \$3.90
Campbellsburg..... .65	Columbia City..... 3.90
	Churubusco..... 5.20

DISBURSEMENTS.

Jan. 7. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, premium lectures in Wells County and one quarter Rep.....	\$21.10
Jan. 7. Extra Minutes and half-tone cuts..	2.15
Jan. 7. Mrs. Harriet Brand, national dues..	87.30
Jan. 7. Anderson Publishing Company, supplies.....	9.50
Jan. 7. Mrs. Vayhinger, one month's salary and one quarter's expenses...	16.37
Jan. 7. Mrs. Harriet W. Brand, one month's salary.....	31.25
Jan. 7. Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack Gibson, one month's salary.....	9.01
Jan. 7. Clara M. Sears, one month's salary.	20.31
Jan. 13. January MESSAGE.....	37.50
Jan. 25. Anderson Publishing Company, 500 envelopes for State President.....	1.25
Jan. 25. Alice Palmer, to trustees' meeting, crating desk, etc.....	2.75
Feb. 11. February MESSAGE.....	37.71
Feb. 11. On Minutes account.....	50.00
Feb. 11. Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, postage, envelopes, etc.....	14.06
Feb. 14. George F. McGinnis, Indianapolis postmaster, pound postage.....	8.91
Feb. 18. Ruth Palmer, premium lecture.....	2.50
Mar. 3. Two page extra edition of MESSAGE	19.99
Mar. 14. Mrs. McWhirter, for MESSAGE expense.....	15.80
Mar. 18. Clara M. Sears, petty expense check..	13.70
Mar. 18. For March MESSAGE.....	40.74
Mar. 18. Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, for cigarette work.....	1.00
Mar. 18. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, premium lecture and postage.....	12.20
Mar. 18. Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack-Gibson, editing <i>Phalanx</i>	10.00
Total disbursements for the quarter ending March 28.....	\$465.10
Balance in bank March 28.....	908.45

CLARA M. SEARS,
Treasurer.

W. C. T. U. INSTITUTES.

In compliance with your request for a brief account of the institute work, I submit the following, expecting the reporters to give a fuller account later.

Franklin is first on the schedule and on March 9 and 10 was held good, all-round sessions, ably conducted by State Vice-President Mrs. Elizabeth T. Stanley, as Leader in Section 3. The meetings were full of interest from first to last. The presentation and discussion of pure food laws, patent medicines, franchise, etc., were participated in by the Institute Leader and leading citizens of Franklin and Whiteland. At the first evening meeting Mrs. Stanley gave At the Mercy of the State, with excellent effect. Many were deeply touched, and may we not hope, convinced that they should work for righteous laws. A gold medal contest, supplemented by good music, was the program for the second evening. Members were added to our ranks, subscriptions secured for our periodicals and the temperance cause in Johnson County greatly strengthened.

Monroeville Institute opened March 13, with Mrs. Florence Barnhart, County President, presiding, and Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall as Leader. The attendance and interest increased throughout the sessions. At the closing meeting standing room in the vestibule and aisle was at a premium in the commodious M. E. Church until the lecture room was opened. The public schools were visited and later an L. T. L. was organized with 22 pledged members, under the able leadership of Mrs. Delong. Twenty-three adult members were added to our ranks. About one-fourth of these were young men who had recently joined the church and seemed quite ready to embrace the temperance gospel also. Their great interest was evident when on the second day of the Institute they brought their dues and solicited their comrades to belong. It is needless to say that their efforts were rewarded. Able papers were read by the delegation from Fort Wayne, as well as by the local workers. Much of the success of this enthusiastic and fruitful Institute is due to the careful planning of the County President, Mrs. Barnhart.

Warren, Huntington County, under the able leadership of Mrs. Lou E. Rall, County President, was out in full force at the very first meeting of the Institute. Words of welcome by the Local President, Mrs. Irene Gard, were most cordial and were responded to by the Institute Leader, Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall. The program was well carried out. The double contest (musical and oratorical) on the last evening was greeted by an enthusiastic audience, and a ten cent admission brought a \$32.00 house, with a number of complimentary. One honorary and five active members were added. Twenty six subscriptions were taken for our periodicals and a Loyal Temperance Legion composed of thirty eager boys and girls was organized. The earnest workers in charge, together with the children, were pleased to call this Legion Willard Hall

Legion, for the little boy in Franklin who had been praying for the success of the work. It is fortunate in having as its leader Mrs. Ella Morrison. Resolutions were passed expressing great regret that Huntington County is soon to lose the efficient and most acceptable services of their President, Mrs. Lou E. Rall, who is soon to remove to Los Angeles, Cal. Her able and loyal Vice-President, Mrs. Kirakoff, of Huntington, was made President.

MARY HADLEY HALL.

COUNTY INSTITUTES.

Marshall County Institute was held at Bremen, Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall leader. The program, as published in the MESSAGE, was carried out with few changes. A lecture by Mrs. Hall, subject, The Gospel of Health, illustrated by charts, was appreciated by a large audience. Tuesday evening's program consisted of a lecture, music and recitations. The music was furnished by the United Brethren choir.

Wabash County W. C. T. U. Institute was held at Friends' Church, in Wabash; Leader, Mrs. Culla Vayhinger. Good attendance and a very interesting program. Paper on Anti-cigarettes, by Mrs. Sarah Haup, also paper on Non-alcoholic Medication, by Dr. Emma Holloway, were very interesting and an interesting discussion followed. Excellent lecture in evening by Mrs. Vayhinger.

Whitley County Institute was conducted in Columbia City, Mrs. Elizabeth Haughton leader. An excellent union temperance service was held on Sabbath evening in the Presbyterian Church, Mrs. Haughton delivering the address. She also gave an address on Monday evening, and on Tuesday evening a class of six participated in a gold medal contest, the medal being awarded to Mrs. Shafer, of Columbia City. The contest netted the Union \$24.

The Wells County Institute was held in Bluffton, and was one of the best Institutes ever held in Wells County. At the very beginning much interest was shown Mrs. Walmer, our beloved president, at her post of duty at the commencement of the sessions and continued faithful to the very last. Miss Alice Ruth Palmer was our leader. Such a sweet, pleasant woman, and every one seemed to enjoy her presence with us. Miss Palmer is educated, talented and a Godly woman.

Dearborn County Institute, held in Aurora, was a very interesting and successful meeting. Each Union in the county was represented, and the program prepared for County Institutes was carried out almost in its entirety. There were quite a number of visitors at the day sessions, while large and interested audiences attended the evening meetings. Six new members were gained for Aurora Union. A delegation from Rising Sun Union attended one afternoon and one evening. The press gave excellent reports and manifested much interest in our work.

Howard County Institute was held in the Baptist Church, Kokomo, Miss Alice Ruth Palmer leader. Every Local Union in County was represented and much interest manifested. Dinner was served in W. C. T. U. hall by the ladies. Very interesting papers were read. Miss Retta Snyder gave a recitation, which was enjoyed by all. Monday evening Miss Palmer addressed a large and attentive audience and a generous collection was received. An anthem by the Baptist Choir was enjoyed. Subscriptions were received for the *Union Signal* and *American Mother*.

NATIONAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTION.

LOS ANGELES, OCTOBER 25 TO NOVEMBER 2, 1905.

Notwithstanding the great travel of health and pleasure seekers to this beautiful land of flowers and sunshine at this season of the year, during which our convention is to be held, a **one lowest first-class fare** has been secured for the round trip. From Indianapolis and vicinity to Los Angeles and San Francisco and returning, **without going north of San Francisco**, the fare direct will be about \$66.50, with only \$12.50 additional to those who desire to go north from San Francisco to Portland, Oregon, a distance of 1,192 miles, either over the Shasta route or by ocean steamer. From Portland to Salt Lake City, covering 965 miles of travel, along the great Columbia river and across the State of Idaho. While this \$12.50 side trip to Portland is optional, the small additional expense should be an inducement to see this wonderful country.

The Indiana delegates and visitors will go as a party in a special sleeper, leaving Indianapolis, October 18, making a short stop at Colorado Springs and spending Sunday, October 22, at Salt Lake City, arriving at Los Angeles in time to take some of the many interesting side trips before the opening of the convention. That country is now covered with a network of interurban lines.

The Indiana party will go via the following lines: From Indianapolis, the Big Four to St. Louis; Missouri Pacific to Colorado Springs and Pueblo; Denver & Rio Grande to Salt Lake City; San Pedro, Los Angeles & Salt Lake Railway to Los Angeles. This last named road crosses an entirely new section of country and shortens by twenty-four hours the journey from here to Los Angeles. From Los Angeles, after the close of the convention, return either by the coast or valley line of the Southern Pacific road to San Francisco, where several days will be spent in this metropolis of the Pacific coast. From San Francisco those who make the northern California and Oregon trip will go north to Portland over the Southern Pacific road, and from Portland southeastward over the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company line and Oregon Short Line to Salt Lake City. From San Francisco those who do not make the northern California and Oregon trip will go directly eastward to Salt Lake City over that branch of the Southern Pacific road. From Salt Lake City over the Denver & Rio Grande to Denver; Missouri Pacific to Kansas City; Chicago & Great Western to Chicago and the Big Four from Chicago to Indianapolis.

Stop-over privileges will be granted without extra expense at **Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo and all points west of Denver**. Members of our party will no doubt desire to make many stops at points in the West. Free chair cars on the Missouri Pacific and Chicago & Great Western from Denver to Chicago. All tickets are good to return from any point west of Denver or from Denver as late as November 30. Sleeper rates from Indianapolis to Los Angeles, including the stops at Colorado Springs and Salt Lake City, at which places we will use the sleeper instead of a hotel, will be \$8.50 for a berth—two people in a berth costing each \$4.25.

All who join our party are requested to bring lunch, and those who have them, to bring an alcohol burner. Small tables and other conveniences are provided in the car, so that we may enjoy the journey most thoroughly. Arrange to make this trip yourself and invite your friends to join our party.

For information concerning the trip and for sleeper reservations, apply to

Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 1013 North New Jersey street, Indianapolis, Ind.

BRIEF NOTES.

Red Key Union presented \$5.00 to the Frances Willard memorial fund.

Liberty, Union County, held a mass meeting in an effort to prohibit a new saloon near the Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Dora Keith's friends will be rejoiced to know that she has successfully passed through a very severe surgical operation at St. Vincent's Hospital, Indianapolis, and returned to her home at Brazil.

Mrs. Wylie, member of Seymour Union, secured twenty-eight signatures, out of thirty employees in factory, to Anti-Cigarette petition.

Notice—Membership pledge cards and membership pledge envelopes, each 25 cents per hundred; Flower Mission text cards, 15 cents per hundred. Send to Mrs. L. F. McWhirter, 1013 N. New Jersey street, Indianapolis.

In the death of Mr. F. H. Ingalls, husband of our National Superintendent of Anti-Narcotics, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union has lost a steadfast friend and brother. We extend sympathy to the dear wife so sorely bereaved.

Seymour Union held Frances Willard Memorial Service on March 22, owing to local attractions in February. Program of readings, papers, music and addresses proved very enjoyable. Three new members were added to roll.

Lord's Day Week is appointed from April 30 to May 7, including two Sundays. This is a propitious time for the concentration of that prayer and effort for the protection of our Sabbath—just when the floodgates of desecration are opening.

Brazil Union is enthusiastically at work. Every detail of arrangements will be completed for the splendid entertainment of the State Convention next fall. Thirty-one gentlemen have recently given their names and dollars for honorary membership in the Union. Brazil's very best citizens are members of the Union and most loyally supporting the work.

On April 8 Miss Palmer met the Lawrenceburg Union in a parlor meeting and did some house-to-house visiting. On Sunday she spoke in the M. E. Church in the morning and in the German M. E. Church in the afternoon. In the evening she assisted in the Mission Chapel. Miss Palmer is an earnest worker and greatly endeared herself to the women of our Unions.

Miami County Institute was held at Amboy, in the M. E. Church, with Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall as leader. On the first evening Mrs. Hall gave a very instructive chart lecture, which was listened to by a good audience, many of the students of the high school and children from the public school being present. As there are but two organized Unions in Miami County, the Institute attendance was not very large, but a lively interest was manifested by those present, and the reports from Superintendents show that there has been much energetic work done along several lines. The departments of Medal Contest, Petition and Legislation and Anti-Narcotics have been especially active. Amboy Union alone has, in the last six months, given eight medal contests and sent out twenty-nine personal letters and petitions on subjects of moral reform to the proper authorities. By previous arrangement the State program was condensed into one day's meeting, but it was carried out with so much energy that nearly every subject was discussed. The services of Mrs. Hall were much appreciated and Miami County will be glad to welcome her again.

Benton County Executive met in the home of the County President and completed all arrangements for a County Institute to be held in Boswell, May 18-19, with Mrs. Haughton as leader. Also made arrangements to have Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, State President, come to the County in the near future.

Mrs. Hall again lectured and a number of our boys and girls recited beautiful temperance pieces. The Auditorium was filled to overflowing, so we had to open the lecture room. A generous collection was received. A large delegation from Bourbon and Nappanee was present Tuesday and helped to carry out the program. Twenty-four subscriptions were taken for the *American Mother*, *Union Signal* and *Crusader Monthly*, and six new members were added to our roll.

Jefferson Union held a temperance rally at Fickle in their beautiful county church Sunday afternoon, March 12. The President, Mrs. Ada Vansickle, presided, and almost all the members assisted in making the program both entertaining and helpful to the large and attentive audience. Recitations, original papers, readings and music constituted the program. The pastor, Rev. McClain, made a stirring speech in favor of the W. C. T. U. and prohibition. The County President presided over the work of the W. C. T. U. The pledge was circulated and quite a number of signatures were secured.

Resolutions—We, the members of the W. C. T. U. of Huntington County, in Institute at the First Christian Church of Warren, do hereby *Resolve*, That, in view of the resignation of County President Lou E. Rall, whose removal to Los Angeles, Cal., will take place in the near future, express our appreciation of her untiring zeal and earnest effort in the advancement of the temperance cause; and *Resolved*, That we sincerely trust that she will receive a warm welcome in her future home and that she will find many friends and a field of usefulness.

MRS. MAUD MYERS,
MRS. MARY RAY,
MRS. IRENE GARD,
Committee.

Tippecanoe County. The ladies and friends of the Unions of Tippecanoe County had the pleasure of listening to two addresses given by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley. She addressed a mass meeting on March 27 in the First Baptist Church at LaFayette, taking as her subject the Sermon on the Mount as applied to LaFayette. Miss Eliza Baker, the County President, had charge of the meeting, and solos were sung by W. E. M. Hackleman, of Indianapolis, and Professor E. E. Trucksess, of West LaFayette. On the same evening Mrs. Stanley addressed a large audience at the West Side Baptist Church. Her subject was, *The Coming Victory*.

Fountain City Union is taking on new life and activity this year. On receipt of the *MESSAGE* extra a meeting was called and a committee appointed to circulate the anti-cigarette petition. Roswell Huff, the ten year old son of our Superintendent of Anti-Narcotics, Mrs. Dr. Huff, secured fifty-seven signatures to the petition. On March 9 we held a Frances Willard memorial meeting. An interesting program was rendered, after which light refreshments were served. Five new members were secured. On April 5 a Sabbath Observance meeting was held. All the ministers in town were invited and a conference was held as to what we can do to promote a better observance of the Lord's Day in our community. It was decided to hold a mass meeting on the subject on May 7, following the week of prayer, in order, if possible, to cause an arrest of thought.

Greencastle Union recently held an evening meeting at Renwood, the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Renick. Senator Moore, author of the Moore temperance bill, spoke on Recent Indiana Legislation. He interested and instructed us and gave us great hope, says the President, Mrs. J. P. D. John. Especially are the Greencastle people rejoiced because of an act of the Legislature which empowers a town council to describe the area within which the liquor traffic shall be confined. Thus suburban saloons can be restricted. Greencastle council will immediately be petitioned to pass such an ordinance. More than seventy-five people were present at this meeting. The City Attorney, Mr. Peck, and Mr. J. O. Cammack, of the City Council, were among the number. Mr. Cammack is an honorary member. Refreshments were served by the young people.

Bloomington honored Representative Ira C. Batman by a meeting of the citizens at the Kirkwood Avenue Christian Church to welcome him home. In appreciation of his services in the recent campaign against saloons in Bloomington, his support of the Parks anti-cigarette bill, now a law, and the successful Batman school-book bill, the W. C. T. U. and Good Citizens' League grasped this opportunity to give him a right good welcome. Mrs. Beck, President of the W. C. T. U. presided and spoke for the Women of Bloomington. Mayor Malott spoke for the City, Rev. Whitman for the Good Citizens' League, Dr. W. L. Bryan for the University, Prof. J. K. Beck for the Boys and Girls, Hon. H. A. Lee for the Bar, Messrs. Bradfute and Cravens for the Press, Rev. T. J. Clark for the Churches, Commissioner Davis for the County, and S. C. Dodds for the Business Men. Mr. Batman responded by giving *The Legislature as I Saw It*. Then the Doxology was sung and Rev. Neubauer pronounced the Benediction. Many citizens of Bloomington and Monroe County were present.

Peru Union held a reception at the Y. M. C. A. building on the evening of March 17. The room was beautifully decorated with palms and carnations. The national colors were prominent and Frances Willard's picture, framed in white ribbon, added beauty and meaning to the scene. Singing of America, followed by prayer by the Rev. Nyce, of the Presbyterian Church, after which Mrs. Gouser, of Kokomo, sang a beautiful solo, and this was followed by the Y. M. C. A. quartette. Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, State President, more than pleased the audience, many of whom were standing during the entire program. The closing number was a solo—*If I Were a Voice*—by Mrs. Gouser. A general social time was enjoyed and new interest awakened in the members of the Union, and their numbers were increased by several new names.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley's address at Oxford on Christian Citizenship was fine. She presented the work effectively. The next morning a woman came to the door of the County President and gave her dollar and said she wanted to be a member and help the good work along. Mrs. Stanley and the County President and County Superintendent of Scientific Temperance instruction visited Oxford high school and gave three very interesting and helpful talks. In the afternoon a parlor meeting was held in the home of Mrs. Amanda Smith, at which she spoke on Department work. Much interest and enthusiasm was manifested. At the close of the meeting Mrs. Stanley was presented with a souvenir china cup and saucer with the Christian Church and Oxford high school buildings painted on them.

Kate Lee Union is increasing in interest and numbers. Very nearly all the different departments of work are being taken up. Very enthusiastic are the meetings being held at the hospitable homes of the members. Twelve new members were added to the Union last month, at the lecture given at this place by Mrs. Vayhinger. Words of praise and commendation were heard from those present, and it is hoped that that forcible and earnest appeal may bring forth much fruit in the temperance harvest. The last of the month a reception was given the new members by the President, Mrs. Alma Foster, at her pleasant country home, one-half mile out of town. Very nearly all of the Union were present; also, a number of invited guests. The evening was delightfully spent in literary contests, music and social conversation. A dainty repast was served. At a late hour the guests departed for their homes, voting Mrs. Foster and the charming daughter of the house, Miss Kathrine, ideal entertainers.

Salom Union held an excellent Frances E. Willard memorial meeting in February. The hostesses, Mrs. E. W. Menaugh and her daughter, had their elegant parlors appropriately decorated for the occasion. The exercises consisted of appropriate songs, recitations, papers, short talks and presenting of souvenirs. Miss Gertrude Menaugh very efficiently presided at the piano. Among the songs was a vocal solo, *Mother's Bow of Ribbon White*, by Miss Blanche Wilson. Light refreshments were served. The talk of filling Indiana's remaining vacant place in Statuary Hall with a statue of the late Gen. Lew Wallace arouses in some of our minds the thought that, as the male portion of our population is already represented in this hall, and as General Wallace himself said that he owed all that he was to his step mother, Mrs. Zerelda G. Wallace, and as she was a woman of most noble character and of national fame, would it not be consistent for the Legislature of Indiana to honor the State by naming Mrs. Zerelda G. Wallace as our other chosen representative for U. S. Statuary Hall?

Boswell—In October we suffered the loss of one of our best and truest members, Miss Alice Hash, who was called home. We greatly miss her, yet the influence of the devoted Christian life she led will always be an inspiration to those who knew her, and to our work. February 19 we held a Willard Memorial, with a splendid attendance. Three fine addresses by our ministers on Miss Willard—as an Organizer, Rev. Rogers; as a Reformer, Rev. McCloud; an Educator, Rev. Leonard. The singers of the town added to the success of the meeting with special and appropriate music. A good collection received, of which we sent our \$2 Memorial offering. At a recent meeting we voted to send the *Union Signal* to our four ministers; also sent \$5.00 to Hadley Home. Our Superintendents are doing some good work. We fine a member 5 cents who appears at a meeting without her White Ribbon on. April 6 Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley was with us and delivered one of the finest addresses ever heard in our town. Two new members were added, making nine new members since January and 24 paid members in all.

Mapleton Union, Indianapolis, of which Mrs. Amanda Whitson is President, celebrated its twelfth anniversary, February 22, in the home of Mrs. D. McClintock, 3430 North Illinois street. Dr. House read a paper on Non-Alcoholic Medication. Mr. and Mrs. Felix McWhirter spoke on topics of interest to temperance people, after which a social hour was enjoyed. Six new members were added to Mapleton Union at the meeting. This Union entertained Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, Indiana State President, in the home of Mrs. Thompson, North Capitol avenue. Mrs. Vayhinger talked in her forceful and convincing manner. Seven women joined Mapleton Union at this meeting. At the regular meeting of Mapleton Union, held in the home of Mrs. Alpha Bailly, Sabbath Observance was the subject discussed. Mrs. J. Morgan, Superintendent of Sabbath Observance in

Marion County, read a paper, Rev. Wood, of Hyde Park M. E. Church, talked of Sabbath amusements and Rev. Tinsley, of Mapleton M. E. church, spoke of the Liquor Traffic, an Enemy to Sabbath Observance. Two became members at this meeting.

Marion County Notes—Mrs. Ada B. Leck, State Superintendent of Fairs and Open Air Meetings, sends greetings to her sisters in this department of work and prays them to excuse her seeming neglect of her duty. Mrs. Leck was taken sick early in September of last year, and while she has hoped each week to be able to again take up the work in this department, if in no other, but she has been disappointed again and again, as she has only been able to rise from her bed for short intervals during this long period of time. She asks you to forgive her for accepting the responsibility to continue and forward this work, so dear to her heart, and to pray for her recovery, if it is God's will.

The semi annual Convention and annual Institute of the Marion County W. C. T. U. was held in the United Brethren church in Indianapolis on March 23 and 24. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Vice-President in Indiana, acted as Institute Leader. The morning session of the first day was devoted to county work, all county officers being present and Mrs. Martha Gipe, President of the county, presiding. The six months plan of work was read by the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Nina Brigham, and it was found that the plan had been closely followed. It was decided by the convention that more work is done and more interest taken by the local Unions when a definite plan of work is prepared by the county. The local Presidents told of work done and of future plans. Though there has been much sickness during the winter, a great increase in membership has been secured and many public meetings have been held. Great attention was given to the observance of World's Temperance Sunday and Frances Willard Memorial Day and also to the anti-cigarette work. Temperance literature is being studied by our women as never before, as it has been distributed in large quantities.

Marion County has reason to be encouraged in the last six months. The visit of Mrs. Vayhinger, State President, was of great benefit to the county, as every one who heard her talk received new enthusiasm, not only in the temperance work, but in all lines of Christian endeavor. The new Union, her namesake, organized during her visit, has a most energetic and capable corps of officers and superintendents. They are gaining rapidly in membership and have plans that would do credit to the older Unions.

During the Institute fifteen departments were introduced and discussed. The question box proved most valuable, the questions asked showing thought and the answers given by Mrs. Stanley being very helpful. Mrs. Stanley delivered her lecture—*The National Outlook*—on the first evening of the Institute to an appreciative audience. A musical and literary entertainment was given on the second evening under the supervision of Miss Maud Baker, Medal Contest Superintendent in Marion County.

Among the many enjoyable events of the Institute was the address of Mr. Felix M. Whirter, which Mrs. Stanley pronounced the most scholarly and able he had ever given. Songs by the Rev. Sherman and wife and by Miss Ada Wheeler, a talk by Mrs. Sylvester Johnson, probably the oldest honorary member of the W. C. T. U. in the State, addresses by Rev. Sherman, Mrs. Desfette, Mrs. Brumleigh, of the Door of Hope, Mrs. Logan, former Police Matron in Indianapolis, and others, during the discussion of Mothers' Meetings and Purity, introduced by Mrs. Martha Gipe, Superintendent of this department.

Mrs. Stanley gave several recitations in her own inimitable manner during the Institute. Three little children were consecrated to the W. C. T. U. work by Mrs. Stanley, her prayer for the little ones being most beautiful. Although a feeling of sadness prevailed, owing to the absence of so many of the loved and familiar faces seen in former years, who were unable to attend on account of sickness or removal, the Institute was considered the best ever held in Marion County.

E. G. SMITH.

IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. VIRGINIA KERN—Resolutions by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of South Kokomo, Howard County *Resolved*, That since it has been the will of our heavenly Father to remove from amongst us a faithful and earnest worker of our Union, Mrs. Virginia Kern, we shall ever endeavor to cherish her in our memories and keep forever fresh in our minds her deep interest in the temperance work. Sister Kern departed this life March 30. She has gone from us, but our loss is her gain. *Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family and to the *MESSAGE* for publication.

MRS. HENRIETTA ARNOLD,
President.
MRS. ROBBINS,
MRS. GWINN,
Committee.

MRS. GEORGE HODSON, a charter member of Chapin Park (South Bend) W. C. T. U., died recently of pneumonia after an illness of only one week. Mrs. Hodson was an earnest and sincere Christian and her prayers have always been an inspiration to us. The department of Sabbath Observance has lost one of its staunchest friends. Quiet and unassuming, she has left an influence for good that will ever be felt. Our heartiest sympathies are with the bereaved husband and children. Mrs. Hodson was 69 years old and her years were spent in useful labor for her Master.

ALICE LEAVELL—In loving remembrance of Alice Leavell, the only baby of the Redkey Union, and daughter of Mrs. Millie Leavell, Superintendent of Medal Contest Work.

MRS. SARAH JELLISON, of Redkey, passed from earth's labors to a heavenly reward on March 17. Mrs. Jellison was a faithful worker. She was Superintendent of Flower Mission Work for a number of years and not only faithfully performed each duty pertaining to that office, but kept the M. E. Church, of which she was a member, rich in floral offerings.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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HE NEVER BLAMED THE BOOZE.

He took a bottle up to bed,
Drank whisky hot each
night;
Drank cocktails in the morn-
ing,
But never could get tight.
He shivered in the evening,
And always had the blues
Until he took a bowl or two—
But he never blamed the
booze.

His joints were full of rheum-
atiz;
His appetite was slack;
He had pains between the
shoulders;
Chills ran down his back.
He suffered with insomnia;
At night he couldn't snooze.
He said it was the climate—
But he never blamed the
booze.

His constitution was run
down
(It was overwork, he said);
His legs were swelled each
morning,
And he often had swelled
head.
He tackled beer, wine, whisky,
And if they didn't fuse
He blamed it on dyspepsia—
But he never blamed the
booze.

He claimed he hardly slept at
night,
And always had bad dreams;
He claimed he often lay awake
Till early sunrise beams.
He thought it was malaria—
Alas! 'twas but a ruse.
He blamed it on most every-
thing—
But he never blamed the
booze.

His liver needed scraping,
And his kidneys had the
gout;
He swallowed lots of bitters,
Till at last he cleaned them
out.
His legs were swelled with
dropsy,
Till he had to cut his shoes;
He blamed it on the doctor—
But he never blamed the
booze.

Then he had the tremens,
And he tackled rats and
snakes;
First he had the fever,
Then he had the shakes.
At last he had a funeral,
And, to give him his just
dues,
The epitaph carved for him
was—
"He never blamed the
booze."

GOVERNOR HANLY.

Commendation of Governor Hanly's attitude toward law enforcement by Peru Union is appreciated by chief executive of our commonwealth.

Resolved, that we, the W. C. T. U. of Peru, at a regular monthly meeting, hereby second our admiration of his excellency, Governor Hanly, for the manly and fearless manner he has shown in regard to his suggestions of such wholesome laws to be enacted and for his integrity and official actions, especially in reference to the laws relating to the morality of the commonwealth.

The resolution was forwarded to the governor's office and a reply was received in a day or so, reading as follows:

Executive Dept., State of Indiana,
May 4, 1905.

MY DEAR MRS. BARKER—Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 2d inst., together with a copy of the resolution of the W. C. T. U. organization of Peru, commending the course of the administration relative to the enforcement of the law throughout the state and to assure you of my grateful appreciation. If I were compelled to choose between the support of those who insist upon the right to violate the law and the good will of the christian womanhood of Indiana, I should not hesitate in the choice.

Please convey something of my gratitude to the members of your order and say to them for me that they can aid me greatly by cultivating public sentiment that will give support to the enforcement of the law in their own good city of Peru.

Sincerely yours,
J. FRANK HANLY.

Y. W. C. T. U.

On May 2 the Treasurer, Miss Sears, went to Plainfield, held a parlor meeting and organized a Y. Union with eleven members. Mrs. John Harvey was elected President and Miss Osie Hadley Treasurer. With the talent represented by the young women who have taken up the work we believe it will be one of the strongest Unions in the State. An evening meeting was held in the Methodist Church, and with special music was an enjoyable event.

The last report we had of our Y. W. C. T. U. Secretary was that she is ill in Canada with relatives. We hope she will soon be able to look after our Y. work.

Anderson Y. W. C. T. U. is growing in numbers all the time. At the last meeting a young man joined. The programs have been so helpful.

ITINERARY OF STATE LECTURER.

Our Institute at College Corner was a decided success, in that the continuous downpour of rain failed to upset our plans. The program was carried out in detail, even to the contest on the last evening. A cradle roll class of 20 members was formed for contest work, and an older class of 14 is now drilling for the June rally.

The Wayne County leaders are sick, consequently the Institute there is postponed. April 28 and 29 found me in Dana, at the home of our beloved Mrs. Rose Pearce. We had a representative audience in the opera house to hear At the Mercy of the State, and on Sabbath morning at the mass meeting many were turned away for want of standing room. Verily our cause is popular there and must eventually win.

I spent eight days of this month in Boone County, with our devoted co-worker, Mary D. Hendricks. If the work in Boone County does not succeed, it is surely no fault of hers. Indeed, she lives for our blessed cause and has a loyal following among the young people, who are helping her push the contest work in her county. We are now in the midst of the Institute at Lebanon and will report results later.

ELIZABETH T. STANLEY.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE INDIANA LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

The eleventh annual State Convention of the Indiana Loyal Temperance Legion is called to meet at



EDITH HILLIS,
State President L. T. L.

Acton Park, Indiana, July 27 and 28, in response to a very cordial invitation extended by the Acton Park Assembly Association.

Acton Park is reached from Indianapolis over a trolley line and members of the reception committee will be at both the Union Station and the Interurban Terminal Station to meet all delegations and see that they are properly transferred to the Acton line. In order to assist this committee, let every one wear the colors—white, gold and purple.

To assist the gate-keeper at the Assembly grounds in knowing just who is entitled to free entrance to the grounds, each delegation is requested to bring with them a letter signed by the local L. T. L. Superintendent certifying that they are members of the convention. To properly seat the convention and at the same time save expense to the State, each delegation is requested to bring its own bannerette, bearing name of county, town and legion. It is also desired that No. 4 Senior Edition of the song book be used, and all Legions using this book will please bring them.

Do not forget that only paid-up graduates are voting delegates (though all Seniors are most welcome and urged to be present), and that the 25 cents dues must be in the hands of Nathan Lefstey, of Marion, by June 25th at the latest. Do not be content until you have paid dues for every pledged member.

In addition to the regular banner, the prizes offered are these: To the Legion sending the largest subscription list for *Crusader Monthly* from February 1 to convention time, to State agent, Mrs. Monta Cooper, R. R. 11, Wabash, a set of six Seal Course books; to the Legion having the best program prepared from June 15, 1905, to June 15, 1906, a book; to the Legion sending in to Superintendents by June 25, 1905, the fullest reports, a book. A prize will also be given to the Legion paying dues for all pledged members and for the county with the largest delegation regularly seated in the convention.

Have your Seniors in this convention if you have to hold pay entertainments and socials to do so. This convention will far exceed in program, numbers and visitors anything Indiana has ever held. Mr. Herbert C. Shattuck, President of the New York Loyal Temperance Legion, will be with us and the cottagers of Acton Park will be visitors, and in return for our free entertainment at an Assembly we must give the very best program, with the greatest enthusiasm. July 27 and 28 will see the gathering at Acton Park of the enthusiastic, inspiring Loyal Temperance Legioners of Indiana. You cannot afford to miss it. Come with our mottoes and rally cry on your lips, and come to blend your earnestness and enthusiasm with that of every other Legioner. Then will we

shout, Tremble, King Alcohol, we have grown up I want to acknowledge through the columns of the MESSAGE the receipt of the following gifts for the Loyal Temperance Legion organization fund. In behalf of the State Legion I want to thank every one who so kindly responded to the appeal made for assistance. The need is great and all help timely. Up to and including May 18 the following have been received: Miss Laura Cammack, 50 cents; Frances E. Willard Union, Richmond, \$1; Burlington Union, \$2; Mrs. Mae Moser, Loogootee, \$1; Mrs. Matilda Hanswald, Galena, \$1.

Loyal Temperance Legions organized this year are: Heltonville, Mrs. Homar Ragsdale, leader; Organizer, Miss Palmer; Syracuse, Mrs. Jennie Weaver, leader; Monroeville, Mrs. Rose Wybourn, leader; organizer, Mrs. Hall; Nora, Mrs. R. Hessong, leader; Brazil, Miss Maude King Hicks, leader; Fairmount, Hadley Legion, Mrs. Dora Whitley, leader; LaFayette, Mrs. Olive Shook, leader; Evansville, Central Legion, organized in February with eleven members, in six weeks increased membership to forty-two, Mrs. Goward, leader; Elwood, F. E. Willard Senior, 20 members, Mrs. Adair leader; Warren, Willard Hall Legion, 30 members, organizer, Mrs. Hall; Moores Hill, Senior, organizer, Miss Edith Hillis; Moores Hill, Junior, organizer, Miss Edith Hillis; Keystone, 32 members, organizer Mrs. Josephine Walmer.

EDITH HILLIS,
President Indiana Loyal Temperance Legion.

A NEW PICTURE OF MRS. HUNT.

In response to the many requests that have come for a large picture of Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, World and National Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction, suitable for framing, to hang in school rooms, we take pleasure in announcing that arrangements have been made with one of the leading firms in the country by which we can send such a picture, 18 by 22½ inches inside measurement, securely packed and postpaid, for the low price of \$1.00.

In style it is what is known as an artotype, and is similar to the large pictures of statesmen and poets or to those found in schools and public buildings. It is a reproduction of the fine photograph of Mrs. Hunt which appeared on the first page of the December *School Physiology Journal*. We hope every Union in the State will take advantage of this opportunity of placing one of these excellent pictures of our beloved leader of Scientific Temperance in their own schools. For picture send to Scientific Temperance Headquarters, 23 Trull street, Boston, Mass.

LEIPSIC, OHIO.

By special request Mrs. Richards gave an account of the changes in Leipsic since the town has been dry. She began by saying that two years ago, on Feb. 2, the sun of righteousness arose in Leipsic and the old groundhog saloon went out of sight, never to return, we believe. There has been good law enforcement. Thirty-three hundred dollars was raised, to be paid in when called for for the prosecution of law-breakers. In two years \$67 have been used.

When the law went into effect all the saloon-keepers left town but one. He kept open to sell soft drinks. Enough men were hired to sit one hour apiece each day in his place to see that nothing but soft drinks were sold. He staid one month. There is not a vacant room in Leipsic. Instead of saloons in the best corner rooms, one is now occupied by a meat market, another by a grocery, and one that had two bars and employed four bartenders now has a large shoe store that employs six extra clerks on Saturday nights.

Taxes are much lower now. The debt of \$5,000 has been paid. A new town hall has been built and \$5,333 is now in the treasury. There are now two banks in Leipsic, instead of one, as before. The first month the deposits were \$465 more than the same month the preceding year, and last December the old bank received in deposits \$1,787 more than the preceding December. One clothing firm testified to selling \$1,000 more in October, 1904, than it ever sold in one month before. The school books for poor children used to cost the town from \$50 to \$200 a year. The first year of prohibition the town paid \$3 for school books and the second \$1.50.

When the town went dry Leipsic postoffice was in the third class. The second year it was put in the second class and now ranks as a first-class office.

A large glass factory was recently located in Leipsic, although Findlay offered \$25,000 more.

Mrs. Richards closed by giving a pathetic description of a visit to a former drunkard's home. Instead of poverty and sorrow, there was peace and plenty and happiness. New carpets, an organ, full coal bin and flour barrel were silent advocates of no saloons in Leipsic.

Mrs. Richards has kindly consented to prepare these facts for publication.—*Ohio Messenger*.

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CONVENTIONS.

Loyal Temperance Legion of Indiana,
Acton Park, July 27 and 28.

Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance
Union, Brazil, October 6-9.

National W. C. T. U., Los Angeles, Cal.,
October 25 to November 2.

Island Park Assembly, July 19 to August
11. W. C. T. U. days, August 8 and 9.

Flower Mission Day, June 9.

The Loyal Temperance Legion State Convention, to be held July 27 and 28 at Acton Park, should be attended by the young people in your homes. It occurs at a date when many will be able to attend. See that the way is made clear for your own and other young people to attend. Miss Hillis, State President, is a young college girl of fine ability and very attractive personality. The ex-president, Mr. James Gipe, is a young man of splendid characteristics. He is a college man. These young people and their corps of State officers and superintendents will be an inspiration to all Legioners and to the young people who attend as visitors. Acton Park is on a trolley line a few miles out from Indianapolis.

By action of the State Central Committee the editor the MESSAGE is restricted hereafter from using any lengthy report from a union or from using lengthy memorials. This prevents use of resolutions of sympathy or condolence. The MESSAGE is not very large and the editor not only counts lines, but words. Often an item is worked over several times in order to make it occupy a certain number of lines. Thus each word counts as it does in a telegram. All articles sent should be signed. Just now on the editors desk are a set of resolutions and an item unsigned. Space is not much of an item to the editors of news columns in daily and weekly papers. Please do not write up an event for your local paper giving details and then send clippings for the editor of the MESSAGE to use or rewrite. The important features she may not quite understand as though she had been present. Important facts, attendance and general effect are the main points in writing a report of a meeting.

TO LOS ANGELES.

The Indiana party will go via the following lines: From Indianapolis, the Big Four to St. Louis; Missouri Pacific to Colorado Springs and Pueblo; Denver & Rio Grande to Salt Lake City; San Pedro, Los Angeles & Salt Lake Railway to Los Angeles. This last named road crosses an entirely new section of country and shortens by twenty-four hours the journey from here to Los Angeles. From Los Angeles, after the close of the convention, return either by the coast or valley line of the Southern Pacific road to San Francisco, where several days will be spent in this metropolis of the Pacific coast. From San Francisco those who make the northern California and Oregon trip will go north to Portland over the Southern Pacific road, and from Portland southeastward over the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company line and Oregon Short Line to Salt Lake City. From San Francisco those who do not make the northern California and Oregon trip will go directly eastward to Salt Lake City over that branch of the Southern Pacific road. From Salt Lake City over the Denver & Rio Grande to Denver; Missouri Pacific to Kansas City; Chicago & Great Western to Chicago, and the Big Four from Chicago to Indianapolis.

The round trip fare will be about \$66.50 from Indianapolis. A delightful trip north from San Francisco to Portland, Oregon, and returning across Idaho to Ogden, will cost \$12.50 extra, but is optional.

Our party will leave Indianapolis October 18 in a special sleeper, and by invitation will spend one day with the National party at Colorado Springs and Sunday at Salt Lake City, arriving at Los Angeles in time to take some of the many interesting side trips before the opening of the convention. The sleeper rate through from Indianapolis to Los Angeles, two people in a berth, will be \$4.25 for each person. The sleeper will be used as our hotel at Colorado Springs and Salt Lake City.

Returning, the tickets include stop-over privileges

all through the western country. The fare granted is one regular fare for the round trip and is low for that date. The heavy travel to Southern California begins about November 1, and no reduced rate is granted after that time.

For further information apply to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, State Superintendent of Transportation, 1013 North New Jersey street, Indianapolis, Ind.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FLOWER MISSION.

Just when and where the first Flower Mission existed we shall never know. Probably ever since the time of the Garden of Eden some one has been comforted and some one has been cheered by the flowers. More than seven hundred years before Christ, Isaiah used the garden and its buds and blossoms as types of righteousness and joy, gladness and praise. "Consider the lilies of the field" has, through the ages since Christ uttered the words, been a balm and an inspiration to many a life. Some one has said: "To consider the lilies with Christ is to feel the bounty



MISS HAZEL TONER,
State Superintendent Flower Mission.

and beauty of His love and to find His spirit in them." In considering this one flower we are taught to consider all flowers and are led to the love and admiration of all nature.

Many years ago in England the Baroness Burdett-Coutts and the Earl of Shaftesbury, two of the world's great philanthropists, became interested in one of the first organized Flower Missions. With their help the wealth of country flowers was conveyed to London and distributed in the hospitals and tenements of that large city. The first recorded Flower Mission in the United States was in about 1869. A young woman living in a suburb of Boston carried some flowers from her home to the city and gave them to the children on the streets. Seeing the pleasure with which these were received, it occurred to her that an organization might be formed whereby the beautiful blossoms of the country could be distributed throughout the city. After consultation with some of the leading clergymen, a church was opened for the purpose and the Boston Flower Mission was begun. It was probably an account of the work of this young girl that was written in 1877 for the New York Observer. Was it not a part of God's great plan that a copy of this paper should fall into the hands of that patient sufferer in the far-away city of Louisville, Kentucky?

A few years before Jennie Casseday had been a happy-hearted girl, but an accident compelled her to spend the remainder of her life a shut-in. In spite of her intense suffering her soul was filled with a desire to help others. Quickly she embraced the Flower Mission idea, knowing from experience how much joy the silent, fragrant messengers had brought to her. She could not gather, neither could she distribute the flowers, but she had that rare gift, the ability to inspire and guide others. Through her influence the Louisville Flower Mission was successfully organized.

In 1882 the National Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union met in Louisville. Miss Willard was a guest at Miss Casseday's home, and during the visit asked the flower missionary to tell her of this work. Always ready to see the connection of a good movement with the temperance cause, Miss Willard instantly became interested and in a few months the Flower Mission Department was adopted, with Miss Casseday as Superintendent. For more than ten years she lived to lead this work, and what a wonderful monument she has made! Everywhere, all over the world wherever our Union exists, this beautiful department is established. Miss Willard said Miss Casseday's life was an example that "from the most difficult conditions we can wring out the most celestial success; from the alembic of pain distill the choicest character; from loneliness and contradiction be lifted to high companionship and sweet serenity."

Though the Flower Mission work has become a part of the churches and young people's societies and

has been adopted to some extent in other organizations, in no other association does it exist in the systematized form and to the extent that it does in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. While it doubtless began with the gift of a flower, the plans and purposes for it have grown. Its loving thought of friendly sympathy is at home equally among the rich and the poor. It gives the necessities of life to those who are without them and the delicacies to the sick. It gives comfort and cheer to those who mourn and hope to those who have wandered astray. It helps window boxes and gardens and the cultivation of vacant lots, with seeds and plants. It aids the schools and settlements by supplying nature-material for their work. It urges gardening as an employment in the institutions. It plants trees and vines. It gives drives to invalids and outings to those who live all the year in the cities. And over and above all, it distributes the little bouquets and text cards to the weary, the wayward and the suffering; in fact, wherever there is opportunity. Do we not all need the cheer, the encouragement and the inspiration of the flowers?

The influence of flowers over all ages and classes of society is well known. Whole families have been lifted to higher, cleaner living through the gift of a plant. Jacob Riis, in one of his books on the "other half" of New York, says: "I have seen an armful of daisies keep the peace of a block better than a policeman with his club. Whenever a garden is put in a tenement block it does the duty of a dozen police clubs. In proportion as it spreads, the neighborhood takes on a more orderly character. As the green dies out of the landscape the police find more to do. The change of Tompkins Square from a sand lot to a beautiful park put an end for good and all to the bread-or-blood riots of which it used to be the scene."

When Miss Willard said at the World's W. C. T. U. Convention in London that the reason the white ribbons had come together was because "they would increase and steadily help in the evolution of the common joy," she particularly touched the keynote of the work with the flowers. With

God's lovelight in their beauty,
Which brings the heart good cheer,

they are especially fitted to dispel the darkness of sin and sorrow and substitute the true joy and gladness.

We know that our cause cannot be wholly triumphant until the desire for the true joy is implanted in the hearts of individuals, and the Flower Mission helps to give the longing for the pure, temperate and noble life which the soul needs. When this desire becomes universal and is carried out, not only in daily life, but in the customs of society and the laws of the lands, then the world will become a beautiful and happy place.—Ethel Austin Shrigley, National Superintendent, in Union Signal.

REPORT ON THOUSAND DOLLAR FUND FOR HADLEY SCHOOL.

RECEIPTS.

Last report.....	\$385.13
Goshen Union.....	5.00
Matilda Kellum, Plainfield.....	1.00
Susanna Hadley, Plainfield.....	1.00
E. C. Crawford, Plainfield.....	1.00
Plainfield Union, proceeds of a quilt.....	4.00
Total.....	\$397.13

In the last month the following Unions have sent offerings for the support of the school: Shugart, Morgantown, Kokomo, Kokomo L. T. L., Honey Creek (Terre Haute), Fairmount, Normal City, Six Mile, Boswell, Greencastle, North Manchester, Brazil, Petersburg, Goshen, Muncie, Culver, College Corner, Cold Springs, Middlebury. Churubusco and Oxford have also sent to the contest fund. LaFayette Union contributed \$25 for bath room equipment, which is very much needed. If all Unions not having contributed to the support of Hadley Industrial School would do as well as these, we could go to convention next October out of debt. MATTIE E. H. CHANDLER.

THE COMING INTERNATIONAL EDUCATIONAL ALLIANCE AGAINST ALCOHOL.

Abraham Lincoln said: "How nobly distinguished that people who shall have planted and nurtured to maturity the political and moral freedom of their species from slavery and drunkenness." His Emancipation Proclamation, sealed in blood, wiped the blot of human chattel slavery from our national escutcheon, but the slavery of alcohol still exists. Nevertheless, in this country we have planted and are nurturing to maturity a preventive system of education which we have reason to hope and believe will eventuate in what Lincoln called moral freedom from drunkenness. That system is the progressive, compulsory study of temperance physiology graded to the comprehension of all pupils in all the public schools in the United States.

Other nations seeing the effect of this study upon the manipulative skill, productive efficiency and progress of our people, are seeking to reproduce the same in their own countries. Professor Justus Gaule, of Zurich, Switzerland, in a recently published article entitled Muscles or Nerves, says: "It is characteristic of the American workman that he has become a nerve-man. America pays her workmen more because as nerve men they give back more. In a rivalry between the old and new world on the basis of present ability to produce, the old world would have to go under. How shall this danger be averted? First of

all, by combating that which makes the nervous system incapable of further development—alcoholism. The alcohol-free atmosphere of America is a result of the instruction in the public schools concerning the influence of alcohol. The Americans, by this instruction concerning alcohol, have done their country a greater service than they think. Such instruction cannot be imparted without a foundation in physiology, giving the idea that human life is based on definite laws. The transition from muscle-man to nerve-man begins with this instruction in earliest years. In order to accomplish this transition, we in Europe must broaden the instruction in our common schools by intelligent study concerning the powers of the human organism and the dangers which threaten it from alcohol."

A Royal Committee on Physical Deterioration in England, reporting July, 1904, to the British Parliament, said: "The committee believes that more may be done to check the degeneration resulting from drink by bringing home to men and women the fatal effects of alcohol on physical efficiency, than by expatiating on the moral wickedness of drinking."

In harmony with this belief, upwards of 15,000 physicians, practically the entire medical profession of England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales, have signed a petition for the compulsory study of hygiene and temperance, like that required in America, in all the public schools of the United Kingdom. A London paper says of this petition: "The response was very striking. Eight thousand signatures were received by return of post and had to be conveyed to the receiving office by a special staff of postmen. Others rapidly followed."

A committee of 31 of these physicians, after studying this form of school work in the countries that to some extent have adopted this American educational idea, made out a syllabus of graded topics and methods of instruction in hygiene and temperance, which they have just sent to every local school board in Great Britain and Ireland, recommending its immediate adoption. Nearly all the members of this English committee which has sent out this petition and syllabus are university professors, representing the universities of Edinburgh, Glasgow, Manchester, Birmingham, Cambridge, London, Liverpool, Dublin, etc. One is the editor of the *British Medical Journal*. Among them are Sir Thomas Barlow, Sir Lauder Brunton, Sir Victor Horsley, Sir William MacEwen, Sir Henry Thompson, Professor G. Sims Woodhead, and others as distinguished.

Certainly it is interesting to us as Americans to notice the frank avowal that in all this the learned and philanthropic abroad are following our example. They seem to be aware that when eighty millions of people, by their senators and representatives in the National Congress and in the legislatures of all our 45 States, enact compulsory temperance instruction laws they are moved by an intelligent apprehension of the facts in the case. Indeed, the very title page of their syllabus directly acknowledges their indebtedness to that distinguished countrywoman of ours who, with her able corps of lieutenants in every State, and aided by the organized thousands of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and in constant communication with the most eminent scientific authorities in the world, has successfully led this great providential movement for the prevention of intemperance. That title reads as follows:

"Suggested Courses of Teaching in Hygiene and Temperance for Boys and Girls in the Public Elementary Schools of the United Kingdom."

"Issued by the Committee of the Medical Profession in the United Kingdom, constituted to promote the teaching of Hygiene and Temperance, Chairman, Sir William Broadbent."

"Based upon the scheme prepared by Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, for use in the schools of the United States of America."

An English Associated Press correspondent for American papers, commenting upon this, says: "This movement in England is one of the many indications that John Bull is trying hard to catch up with Uncle Sam."

All nations are welcome to catch up with us in this achievement. We have blazed this educational way for freedom from slavery to alcohol at no small cost, and to no one is this interest more indebted than to Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, head of the department of scientific temperance instruction and investigation, for her thoughtful and heroic leadership. This scheme of study has grown up gradually from protracted and exhaustive research and consultations respecting the unhygienic and other causes that lead people to drink, the scientific discoveries of hygienic truths, including those relating to the nature and effects of alcoholic drinks and other narcotics, and these pedagogical principles which determine how and where these truths can be so taught to all the children of to-day as to shape the national life of tomorrow. This movement holds in its grasp many millions of our youth and has such regard for detail as is calculated to reach every child and to save every child for a future of intelligent sobriety. As Americans we are grateful that the scholars of Great Britain have recognized the sound learning and deep insight into the educational methods essential to save a nation from alcoholic demoralization which have marked this great movement and have paid such a tribute to our endeavors by recommending for the public schools of the United Kingdom the scheme of study prepared for the schools of America.

King Edward VII is said to be advocating an Anglo-American alliance. Here is a step toward such a combination for warfare of an educational sort against the greatest foe of the English-speaking race. The signs of the times point to Germany joining us also, thus forming a triple alliance. Meantime, it behooves our American boards of education and teachers to more than keep step if we are still to lead in this world movement for the emancipation of the race from the slavery of alcohol.

Signed by the Advisory Board of the Bureau of Scientific Temperance Investigation and Instruction of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

In view of the facts that intemperance is a blighting and ruining curse which impedes the progress of the kingdom of Christ, and that the liquor problem will be solved by the children of the rising and coming generations, we earnestly ask that you will cooperate in the movement to make the Sunday School a mighty factor in the temperance reform. To this end we recommend:

1. Supplemental Temperance Lessons. In connection with the Quarterly Temperance Lesson let a few moments be given to the study of temperance from an ethical and scientific standpoint. An excellent course of supplemental lessons is now prepared for the Primary, Junior, Intermediate and Senior grades.

2. Pledge Signing. Circulate the temperance pledge on every temperance Sunday. Keep a record of pledge signers. Form and display a Sunday School or patriotic temperance pledge chain. Emphasize the duty of total abstinence.

3. Temperance Department. International Sunday School leaders recommend that every Sunday School adopt the Temperance Department. Elect a Superintendent or Temperance Secretary, who will have charge of all the temperance work of the Sunday School. Secure plans of work and suggestions now in print and sent out by the Sunday School Temperance Bureau.

4. The Sunday School Temperance Army. Every Sunday School should be organized as a temperance society. The Sunday School Temperance Army is a new and effective plan. The Sunday School Union of the M. E. Church recommends the White Shield League.

5. Teach Patriotism and Christian Citizenship. In accordance with the recommendation of the International Sunday School Association, let the subject of Patriotism and Christian Citizenship be combined with that of Temperance. Observe the Sunday just previous to the Fourth of July as Patriotic Sunday. Observe the fourth Sunday of November as World's Temperance Sunday.

6. Provide Temperance Helps for your Sunday School. For information and all kinds of temperance helps for Sunday School workers, including literature, pledge cards, etc., send to the Sunday School Temperance Bureau, 115 Walnut street, Riverside, California.

MRS. LIDA OUTLAND,
State Superintendent.

COUNTY INSTITUTES.

DeKalb County Institute met at Butler. The county was fairly represented and had a very instructive and enthusiastic meeting. Members were added to the W. C. T. U. and subscriptions taken for temperance papers. The influence of the meeting will be far-reaching.

Delaware County Institute was held in the M. E. Church at Albany, with Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall as Leader. We had a very helpful two days' Institute. All the Unions of the county except one were represented. The two ministers of the town were present at all the sessions and both took an active part in the discussions. They also enlisted as honorary members. The evening session was largely attended. A very pleasant feature of the program was the songs given by a quartette of young men and one of older men. The press gave excellent reports of our work.

Lawrence County Institute met in Bedford, March 13 and 14, Mrs. Isabel Goodacre, Leader. After the necessary routine of business for the organization of the Institute was completed, the program, as given in the MESSAGE, was carried out with few variations. Mrs. Lizzie Holcomb, Vice-President, presided. The evening address was made by Mrs. Goodacre to a large and attentive audience. Two of the three Unions in the county were represented by delegates, who took up the program work with considerable zeal. The L. T. L. added to the interest by their songs, mottoes and rally cries. The last evening a silver medal contest was held, Master Carl Malott winning the prize. The receipts from the contest more than paid the expenses of the Institute.

Ripley County Institute was held in the Milan M. E. Church. Leader, Miss Alice R. Palmer, and Mrs. Newman, County President, presiding. Milan, Batesville and Friendship Unions were represented. Rev. Mr. Cordrey and Evangelist Smith helped by their presence and suggestions. The suggestive program was carried out and interesting discussions showed enthusiasm. The lecture of Miss Palmer was instructive and interesting.

Washington County Institute, held in the Baptist Church, Salem, was a success throughout. On the first evening Miss Palmer gave an interesting and highly appreciated lecture on The Remorse of Reuben. On the second evening was held an open parliament, at which the Young People's Anti-Cigarette League ably discussed the cigarette and tobacco questions and the anti-cigarette and tobacco laws and their enforcement. Several equally important questions were discussed and four excellent vocal solos were rendered. A unanimous vote of thanks was given the local press for so generously publishing notices of the Institute and freely giving space for the lengthy program. There was also given a vote of appreciation of Miss Palmer's leadership. All felt that she was the right woman in the right place. Several of our pastors and other good men had to rush around with remonstrances during the Institute, so that they did not get to attend much, but they gained the victory. The Institute gave an hour to prayer for the success of the remonstrators, and one pastor thought these prayers were surely effective, for he got three to one of all he asked to sign.

Madison County Institute was held at Elwood. From the Elwood *Call-Leader* we quote: The convention was a decided success, and the local members, who planned well and capably managed the affair, were complimented by the many visitors from the surrounding cities and the state officers present. The convention closed last night, all the programs for the sessions having been carried out in full and all the papers and discussions having been very interesting. Last night, at the Christian Church, was the the musical and oratorical contest, but owing to the fact that one of the principal members of the Presbyterian organization was ill, the quartette could not appear. The M. E. quartette appeared, rendered the selections in a pleasing manner and was awarded the prize, there being no competition. The honor was well deserved, however, for the music was excellent. The oratorical contest followed and although some of the favorite speakers of the city, who were expected to be present, failed to appear, the class was filled and the recitations were very pleasing. Miss Cora Iseley was awarded a handsome medal. The institute was in every way a success.

Vermillion County Institute was held at Dana, with Mrs. Isabel Goodacre as Leader. The meetings were held in the Baptist Church, and opened with a general conference of leaders and workers which proved to be very helpful to all. The noon hour lunch, of which about 60 partook, was served in the building. The Institute program, as published in the MESSAGE, was followed with very slight alteration. It is not possible to make mention here of all the excellent papers which were read and talks given. We can only say the members surprised each other by the able manner in which they handled the subjects under discussion. Revs. Matthews, G. W. Pearce and Weddell were present throughout the Institute, and showed their interest and sympathy with our cause by their helpful words. The High School was visited by twenty-one White Ribboners, and an excellent talk was given by our leader, who took as her text the words, Ponder the Path of thy Feet. The Contest held at the Opera House at night was attended by about 400 persons, and was voted by all as a great success. Receipts \$35.00, which paid all expenses of our Institute and put a handsome balance in our treasury. Three new members gained. We feel that Institutes pay in all ways, and intend, if possible, to hold one each year in the future. Mrs. Stanley is to be with us April 29 and 30, when we are expecting great things.

St. Joseph County Institute was held in the First M. E. Church of South Bend, and proved a very interesting and profitable meeting. Encouraging reports were made by the County Superintendents and helpful talks were given and papers read. The suffrage question was discussed by men and women outside the W. C. T. U., and both sides of the question were ably presented, the speakers being among the ablest in the city. The cigarette law and the cause of home and foreign missions were also ably presented by members of other societies. A medal contest was held, with high school girls as contestants. High school boys acted as ushers. The contest was conducted by Mrs. Ethel Bair and was one of the most interesting features of the Institute. The medal was awarded to Miss Irene Potter. The Institute Leader, Mrs. Elizabeth Haughton, won the hearts of South Bend people. She gave an excellent address at the First Baptist Church on Sunday morning and at the First Presbyterian Church in the evening. Monday morning she addressed the students at the South Bend Commercial College, and Wednesday evening the High School students. Before leaving the county Mrs. Haughton assisted the County President, Mrs. Fassnacht, in organizing a Union at Mt. Pleasant, which will doubtless be a power for good in that community.

Elkhart County Institute was held at Syracuse, and was very efficiently led by Mrs. E. M. Haughton, of Richmond, assisted by the County President, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins. The new Union at Syracuse acquitted itself with honor. The President is Mrs. Rev. Henry Arlen. The crowning feature of the Institute was the silver medal contest given by the L. T. L. of Syracuse. There were seven contestants, the winner being Master Wurley Rohm.

Jay County Institute, held at Balbec, was a grand success. All five Unions in Jay County were well represented. A lecture by the leader, Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall, was given the first evening and a Silver Medal Contest the second evening. There was a crowded house at both of these meetings. A good interest was shown in all lines of work presented. Six ministers and one doctor attended the day sessions, and one and all declared themselves in perfect unity with our principles and plans. Subscriptions were taken for the *Union Signal*, *American Motherhood* and *Crusader Monthly*—64 subscriptions in all, 22 being for the *Crusader Monthly*. Seven members were received. The services of Mrs. Hall were much appreciated and she has many warm friends at this place.

Grant County Institute was a grand success. The leadership and company of Mrs. Haughton were appreciated by all. Every session was large and attentive. Eighteen Unions were represented. The timely suggestions and witty little speeches of our beloved County President and other county officers, as well as State Secretary Gibson, did much to keep the interest in W. C. T. U. work at white heat during the two days and evenings. The program was well carried out. Ministers and educators all seemed willing to lend a hand toward making the convention all that we had so devoutly hoped for weeks before it convened. The diamond medal contest conducted by State Superintendent Overman, in connection with a musical contest, was sufficient to crowd the large M. E. Church to its full capacity. We were entertained by the Jonesboro Union. Although few in numbers, they know how to bring things to pass. Imagine my feelings when the local President, Mrs. Bradford, came to me at the dinner hour and gave me the honor of leading the audience to the large dining room in the basement, where one hundred guests were seated at once and served with chicken pie, besides cake and other good things. Think of it! And then the little Union went on seeing that everybody was comfortably located, so that we might hear the good things of the afternoon, just as though they had done nothing out of the ordinary. When we parted I feel sure that every one felt thankful for the great spiritual uplift we received, more confidence in the aim of our organization, a deeper hatred for the saloon business and a real desire that Mrs. Haughton might come again soon and stay longer.

BRIEF NOTES.

Mrs. Vayhinger addressed the Centenary Epworth League of Greensburg. There was a crowded house and great enthusiasm.

Mrs. Bertha S. Cory, Pennville, desires information regarding the easy and effectual way of teaching the effect of alcohol in medicines, especially as a County Superintendent.

Union County's semi-annual convention met in the Methodist Church, College Corner. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, with her usual enthusiasm, conducted the Institute. A silver medal contest was held the evening of the 21st. Miss Opal Smith won the silver medal.

Madison Union, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, President, held a reception recently. There was a fine program. Prof. Billings, of the High School, read an excellent paper and there were recitations and good music. A large number of the representative people of the city were present.

Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, our State President, gave the last lecture in the Stone City's Christian Lecture Course, on A Misspent Tract. A good sized audience paid close attention to a very instructive, as well as entertaining, address. Mrs. Vayhinger made many new friends and will be warmly welcomed should she visit Bedford again.

Farmers Union, Wabash County, held a Sabbath Observance meeting at the home of Miss Malott. A most interesting Bible reading was inspiring and helpful. The discussions were animated; one new member was received. By request, Rev. C. S. Smith, pastor of the Wesleyan Church, preached an able sermon on Sabbath Observance, the following Sunday evening, to an appreciative audience.

Presidents of W. C. T. U. Summer Assembly Unions: Please let us have the dates and programs of work planned, that we may advertise as extensively as possible. All information in regard to any camp meeting or chautauqua in Indiana gladly received. We desire to have our speakers and methods of work represented wherever possible.

ALICE RUTH PALMER.

From Aurora, Miss Palmer writes: We are having a fine Institute under the guidance of Mrs. Rynerson. The Presbyterian Church was filled last night to hear An Appeal for our Future Citizens. Five new members were added. As the guest of Mrs. Judge McMullen, I am particularly happy. She was the first W. C. T. U. woman of Indiana to invite me to work in her county, sixteen years ago. It is a delightful renewal of a long and confidential friendship.

At South Bend, Mrs. Mary P. Bugbee will place a drinking fountain in Leeper Park as a memorial to her devoted husband, Mr. Almond P. Bugbee. He was the Neal Dow of Indiana in appearance, character and foresight.

The W. C. T. U.'s of South Bend have contributed \$100 to furnish a room in the Frances E. Willard Hospital in Chicago. It is a large, airy room and the three beds were occupied almost as soon as the room was furnished. It will be called the South Bend W. C. T. U. room.

Howard County. Mrs. S. M. Stahl, of Hartford City, spent one week in Howard County, doing good work. She secured forty-eight new members for the county. Her personal work with the women is so effective that few can resist her. Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, State President, addressed the people Sunday afternoon, March 19, at the Friends Church, Kokomo. In the evening she spoke at Grace M. E. Church. Both services were greatly enjoyed.

Moore's Hill Union sent a delegation of nine to the Ripley County Institute April 18. Our County Evangelistic Superintendent, Mrs. J. M. Evans, will be with us at our regular meeting, April 20, going to Dillsboro the same evening for a gospel temperance meeting. We are looking forward with much interest to having Miss Edith Hillis for a meeting April 26, when we hope to organize both a Senior and Junior L. T. L.

LaFayette Central Union held a very interesting meeting with Mrs. W. W. C. Brown on April 14. Two new members were received with a very pretty ceremony. On Wednesday afternoon we met with Mrs. T. L. Webb to finish some quilts for the Hadley Industrial School. The Evangelistic and Flower Mission Superintendents are doing good work. Our President, Mrs. Seney, secured quite a number of names on the anti-cigarette petition sent out in the MESSAGE.

South Bend. The Colfax Avenue Union held a mothers' meeting and thimble at the beautiful new home of Mrs. O. A. Jeffries. A fine musical and literary program was presented, which was followed by a social hour, at which time refreshments were served. Fifty-five ladies were present. A silver offering of over ten dollars was taken, which will go towards furnishing a room in the new Frances Willard Hospital, to be known as the South Bend room, as it will be furnished complete by the local Unions of South Bend.

Bedford Union held Willard Memorial service in the First Baptist Church, Mrs. Ida Wyhoff making a very efficient leader. Mrs. Ruth Rainbolt took Miss Willard as an organizer, Mrs. Hattie McDonald as an educator and Mrs. Ed Johnson as a reformer. They each gave us useful lessons in the beautiful life of our great leader, who, though gone on before, is still a great inspiration to the white ribbon women. Mrs. Effie Cosner sang "How Beautiful to be with God," in a very impressive manner. The L. T. L. gave their mottoes, rallying cry and sang a temperance song, which was highly appreciated by the audience.

We bring you a very urgent request that you appoint a *Union Signal* representative in your Union and send us her full name and postoffice address. We will at once send her material, so that she can intelligently look after the *Union Signal's* interests in your community. The *Union Signal* is absolutely indispensable to the well equipped W. C. T. U. worker, and the local representative plan is the best way yet devised for placing the paper in the hands of as many of our women as possible. Surely there is some one in your Union who will be glad to do this vital service for the W. C. T. U. Please let us hear from every local President, and do it now. Address the *Union Signal*, Evanston Ill.

Pennville Union, at the request of the young people, began the contest work. Three silver medal contests have been held since March 20, two in the M. E. Church, with good attendance; receipts, \$18. The Pennville orchestra is good. As a free-offering, the orchestra gave all the music for both contests. One dollar's worth each of Mercy and Non-Alcoholic literature was distributed. Rev. Williams, of the Friends' Church, extends an invitation for the next contest to be held in his church, in the country. A contest was recently held for the benefit of Hadley School. A gold medal contest will soon be held. Temperance sentiment is growing very rapidly through this section, the contest work, we believe, being the direct cause.

Do you know that one day early in March we received 400 subscriptions? Pleased? Of course we were and we have kept on being pleased at the goodly number of subscriptions coming in each day. Do you know what it will mean if we can report 40,000 subscribers at the National convention next fall? It will mean Success with a big S. It will mean improvements in the paper, and best of all, it will mean that there will be almost twice as many *Union Signal* readers as now—twice as many workers better informed, and hence more enthusiastic and more efficient than they possibly could be without the *Union Signal*. Is it too high a mark—40,000 before National convention? We think not. It is less than one to five of our N. W. C. T. U. membership. Then let us begin now. Write us that you will help toward the 40,000. Send for sample copies. Address the *Union Signal*, Evanston, Ill.

Winamac Union has received eight members since September. At that time decided to pray, every time we passed a saloon, for its removal. In November we held a public prayer service, then a Willard Memorial, the large M. E. Church filled to the brim, a fine program and good collection. Then came the Institute and since then two union temperance services planned by the ministers. Next week our friends, the Alliance, have four meetings and the next week we will hold a contest and our brothers are working for a remonstrance, so our prayers are being answered speedily. Winamac entertained the Pulaski County Institute, Mrs. Mary H. Hall, leader. She was a great inspiration to us. We followed the program as given and so learned many things. Mrs. Hall visited the schools and many scholars attended her lecture. The medal contest was fine. Marjorie Hathaway won the medal. The young people furnished good music. Our ministers and teachers were interested and helpful. Editors gave us space for program and kindly reports, so encouraged, we go forward.

It is a long silence we have had and I suppose even our anti-suffrage friends would admit that we have not been out of our proper sphere, during the time, for, no doubt, we have all had a round of house-cleaning. Now we are ready to begin in earnest in preparing ourselves to lend a hand to Uncle Sam when he begins his house-cleaning and gives us the opportunity. Have you held an equal suffrage meeting in your Union? If so, write me about it, please. Did you notice the program for the franchise meeting in August, given in the State minutes by our committee? It is not too early to get your best women studying and writing for that. If it is to be a success, we who are interested will have to make it so. Be sure and have a good supply of literature to distribute. Better send Mrs. Gilbert ten cents for samples, so you can select your most suitable leaflets. Watch for opportunities to do work for our department at the summer assemblies. That will be a time to get our literature into many homes. Let us be ready for the work and by faithful, persistent effort much good may be accomplished.

LAURA M. THOMSON.

Franchise Department.

Marion County News Items—The young people's meeting held by Central Union, May 5, was an entire success. Mr. James Gipe, son of Mrs. Martha Gipe, president of Marion County, furnished the principal address of the evening. This young man has been a life long member of the Loyal Temperance Legion and told of the necessity of such teaching as the Legion gives in the schools and colleges of this country. He spoke of the reform law enacted by the recent legislature and paid a glowing tribute to Indiana's Governor. Miss Ethel McWhirter, superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication in Central Union, presented her department in a very able manner. She was assisted by Mrs. Amanda Whitson, Miss Violet Ferrin, Miss Haughton and Miss Irene Bowman. Mr. Felix McWhirter spoke to the young people by request. The Misses Reynolds and Miss Irene Bowman were the soloists of the evening, the music being much enjoyed. The young people of the Union served refreshments during the social hour. It was felt that the pride the W. C. T. U. in Marion County feels in her young people was well bestowed.

During her visit to Indianapolis while convalescing, Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand visited her home Union. She spoke of her love for Indiana women and urged them to give as much of their time and thought as possible to the Mormon question. At this meeting a letter from Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis was read, telling how necessary work was in Indiana along this line, on account of the indifferent attitude of Senator Beveridge. At a recent meeting in Central Union, Mrs. McWhirter, the president, gave a very vivid word picture of Mormon women's condition and said it took only three generations to degenerate and take all shame in their condition from them. Senator Kern's speech was distributed.

Much interest is being taken in Marion County, in preparation for Flower Mission Day. Most of the large institutions will be visited by different unions and bouquets and text cards, tied with white ribbon, given the inmates. Good programs are also being prepared for these meetings.

Palmer Union, in West Indianapolis, Rev. Mary Cox, president, will soon be prepared to open a settlement house in a part of that suburb, where there are over 700 children and no Sunday Schools and churches. This will add another to the long list of reforms originated by the W. C. T. U. of Marion County. The salary of the first police matron was paid by Meridian Union in Indianapolis for some time. The Door of Hope and the Rescue Mission are also the work of that Union.

Much literature in all departments of work is being distributed in this county. A rummage sale was held during the month of May by the County and Local Unions, to raise funds for the Loyal Temperance Legion work in the county.

IN MEMORIAM.

EMMA L. HORDEN—Greenboro Union mourns the death of its beloved President, Mrs. Emma L. Horden. Her going home is a serious loss to our work.

DAVID D. TAYLOR—Hartford City Union has lost a faithful honorary member, Mr. David D. Taylor. The family receives the sympathy of white ribbons.

MARTHA TALMAGE, of LaPorte Union, died May 3. The family and relatives have the tenderest sympathies of the W. C. T. U.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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THE ORATORICAL CONTEST SYSTEM OF THE INTER-COLLEGIATE PROHIBITION ASSOCIATION.

July 28, at Ocean Grove, will be held the Eastern Inter-State contest of the Inter Collegiate Prohibition Association.

The winning college orators from seven States will participate. It is a part of the most extensive system of college oratorical contests ever put in operation. All the orations are original and upon some subject relating to the prohibition of the liquor traffic.

The preliminary contests have been held during the winter and spring.

First, there is a contest in each college, in which members of the Prohibition League take part. The winner of the college contest goes to a State inter-collegiate contest in which from four to ten colleges and universities are represented.

State contests are being held in twenty States this year. Following the State meetings there are three Inter-State contests, an Eastern to be held at Ocean Grove, a Central to be held at Lincoln, Neb., and a Western to be held in connection with the Lewis and Clark Exposition at Portland, Oregon, during temperance week there in September.

The final honors are secured in the grand national contest held every second year, in which the winners of the Inter-State contests for two years compete. Last year the National was held at Indianapolis. Over 800 orations were delivered preliminary to it. Indicative of the quality of the orations was the fact that the six orators were interrupted over seventy times with applause.

The contests are valuable because there is nothing which gives one a better knowledge of the question than the preparation necessary in writing a good oration, and many college students are coming to recognize that there is nothing which develops a higher quality of oratory than the championship of a great cause. Some of the very ablest men in the colleges have entered the prohibition contests. The large attendance which usually greets the contests makes them an important educative agency.

The Eastern contest, to be held at Ocean Grove, promises to be the best ever held in this section. The States which will be represented are New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Kentucky and Tennessee.

The Inter-Collegiate Prohibition Association has active Prohibition leagues in over two-thirds of the colleges of the twenty States in which it is organized. These leagues meet regularly once in two weeks and make a systematic and comprehensive study of the Prohibition question.

As a result of the study, many students are not only becoming informed and interested, but are consecrating their lives to the cause and preparing to take an active and aggressive part in the overthrow of the liquor traffic.—*Exchange.*

ISLAND PARK AT ROME CITY.

The Western Chautauqua Assembly will open July 19 and close August 11. On Sunday, August 6, will be held a great temperance mass meeting, in charge of our veteran, Aaron Worth, followed by **Temperance and W. C. T. U. Days, August 8 and 9.**

Beginning July 19 and continuing until the Assembly closes, the W. C. T. U. Department workers will have charge as follows: Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Vayhinger, State President, and Mrs. McWhirter; Elocution, oratory and physical culture, Miss Maud Baker; Kindergarten, Miss Ruth Ransom; Loyal Temperance Legion, Mrs. Mary Evelyn Evertson; Literature Booth, Mrs. Mary E. Balch; Pianist, Miss Laura Kindig.

These workers will live at the W. C. T. U. cottage; for 25 cents a day and night the W. C. T. U. women can room in the cottage. We shall expect the Local Unions to announce this and do what they can toward securing the attendance of the temperance people, especially on Temperance Days.

Every year we are anxious to secure prominent places on Chautauqua Assembly programs. This year the Island Park management gives us much prominence and furnishes us a cottage, rent free, for use of our workers and our meetings. They put our workers on for their regular Assembly work. It is of course expected that our temperance people will make it a point to be present. For information concerning board, etc., write to the Secretary, Mr. J. Frank Snyder, LaGrange, Ind.

The *Brewers' Journal*, New York and Chicago, for May 1, has this editorial warning to its constituents: "In '84 about one-twentieth part of Chicago was Prohibition territory. In 1904 nearly one-half of the city was Prohibition or local option. There are besides 600 towns and cities in Illinois having no saloons. There is certainly food for reflection in this for the brewers of Illinois."

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Another word about the Eleventh State Convention of the Indiana Loyal Temperance Legion and other L. T. L. news.

If any Legions have as yet failed to send in reports to Department Superintendents or their dues to the Treasurer, please do not let this matter go longer. Attend to it now. Here is the list of Superintendents: Anti-Gambling, Dale Wolf, Marion; Mercy, Anna Stockton, W. Lincoln st., Kokomo; Flower Mission, Korilla Samse, N. Smith st., Kokomo; Sabbath Observance, Ida M. Cunningham, 1104 Delphi ave., Marion; Literature and Agent *Crusader Monthly*, Monta Cooper, Route 11, Wabash; Anti-Narcotics, Fred Carter, Westfield. These reports are for year ending June 15, 1905.

Mrs. Frances Metz, 917 N. Illinois st., Indianapolis, Ind., desires the names of all who will attend State Convention at Acton Park, July 27-28, sent to her not later than July 10. Please do not delay this matter. It is important that she have them by that date.

New Legions since last MESSAGE—Lebanon, Utica, and in Grant County, Griffin Union, Oakridge Union and Oak Chapel Union. Morgan County reports three Legions ready to organize.

If any one has failed to return the filled-in Corresponding Secretary's blank to Ritta Burnside, this must be done at once to have your report read at Convention. This blank, as the others, covers the entire year's work. Since the June MESSAGE I have received the following amounts from the ones named for the L. T. L. Organization fund:

Marion Central Union.....	\$3.00
Peru Union.....	2.00
Plainfield Union.....	1.00
Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall.....	.25
Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger.....	2.00
Morgantown Union.....	1.00
Mrs. Harriet W. Brand.....	10.00
Miss Mary Woodward.....	1.00
Huntington Union.....	3.00
Marion County Union.....	5.00
Mrs. Gullie Shugart.....	1.00
Bedford Union.....	4.05

I voice the sentiments of the L. T. L. workers when I say that we feel very grateful, indeed, for all amounts received, and that we can venture a little further with each letter that comes bringing with it a little offering. We will try to make it do the most possible good.

Kokomo, Ind.

EDITH HILLIS.

SOUTH BEND.

The Almond P. Bugbee Memorial Fountain, presented by Mrs. Bugbee to Leeper Park, was dedicated June 17. It is given by the devoted wife and accepted in memory of one of South Bend's best citizens, our dearly beloved Mr. Bugbee, the Neal Dow of our temperance work in Northern Indiana. The fountain is both handsome and artistic.

The dedication was under the auspices of the County W. C. T. U., the venerable Almond P. Bugbee having been an honorary member thereof. Mrs. Kathryn Wert Holler, Associate National Superintendent of Sabbath Observance and a close friend of Mrs. Bugbee, had charge. The program was as follows:

Music.....	Male Quartet
Prayer.....	Rev. M. H. Appleby
Address—Desirability of Beautifying the City with Memorials.....	Wm. McInerney
Music.....	Male Quartet
Address—Mr. Bugbee as a Pioneer.....	Mayor Fogarty
Presentation of the Fountain.....	Mrs. Alex. Staples
Acceptance—Mrs. C. Fassnacht, President of the Central W. C. T. U.	
Song—America.....	Audience
Benediction.....	Dr. H. W. Johnson

Touching and beautiful were the tributes paid to the memory of Mr. Bugbee, and appreciative indeed were the expressions regarding the appropriate memorial to such a life and character.

WISCONSIN CITIES WITHOUT BAR-ROOMS.

Six hundred and forty-five towns, villages and cities in Wisconsin are without saloons, according to the report to Halford Erickson, compiler of the Wisconsin Blue Book. The last Legislature passed a law requiring all towns, villages and cities in the State to report the exact conditions with regard to license. There are 1,454 towns, villages and cities in the State, 14,430 of which reported; 798 of these have saloons, 632 voted no license, and in 13 license was refused by the board. This is very gratifying information to the temperance forces, who had estimated only 300 dry. The figures are from the new Blue Book which is now in press.

HOW THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC ROBS LABORING MEN.

In \$100 worth of boots and shoes \$20.71 is labor. In \$100 worth of furniture \$23.77 is labor. In \$100 worth of hardware \$24.17 is labor. In \$100 worth of clothing \$17.12 is labor. In \$100 worth of cotton goods \$16.91 is labor. In \$100 of men's furnishings \$18.34 is labor. In \$100 worth of worsted \$13.55 is labor. In \$100 worth of woolen goods \$12.86 is labor. In \$100 worth of liquor you buy \$1.23 is labor.

One dollar and twenty-three cents as against \$12.86, \$13.55, \$18.34, \$16.91, \$17.42, \$20.71, \$23.77, \$25.17! What an object lesson!

In the above goods, in each \$800 lot is \$147.73 labor employed.

For one year, 30 cents a day for drinks will make \$109.50. Call it \$100. If eight laboring men spend \$800 for furniture, hardware, boots and shoes, clothing and other good things, they and their families are made happy, but \$147.43 goes to labor. Thus business is stimulated, labor is in demand and wages are likely to rise.

If the \$800 is spent in the saloon, only \$9.84 goes for labor. The man and his family get no benefit. He is made weaker for his work. He is less pleasant and affable in his home. Comforts are not there. Wife is not cheerful. Children do not love the home. He is more likely to lose his job. Everything is against him.

Suppose 100 laboring men in a town, spending 30 cents a day in saloons, quit the saloons and spend the money for clothing, houses, furniture and good things, how quickly would the town put on a new face. New stores and new factories would be needed. The saloon is the greatest pauperizer. Close it, and as by an electric torch the poor houses would close also.—*Exchange.*

Scientific men, and especially political economists are opening their eyes to the drink problem as never before. For whether viewed as to the volume of the liquids manufactured or the amount of money involved or the pauperism, vice and crime produced, or the increase of the taxes caused by the wastes and burdens of the traffic, the closer they look at the fruits of this evil tree the clearer they are beginning to see that no one thing has so much to do with the true economy of government or so hinders the true prosperity of a people or is so manifestly the barbarism of civilization, as the liquor traffic.

In the political arena the agitation has become intense as never before during the history of our society, and awakened largely by our agencies. In the year we began only two State Legislatures had occasion to consider the liquor question, but last year the Legislature of every State that was in session had this problem up and had to face the question in some one of its myriad forms. Forty years ago Congress was silent upon temperance matters; to-day both Senate and House have a number of such measures before them in various degrees of progress.

Then the liquor interests were practically unorganized, but to-day, driven by the force of an aroused public sentiment, they have their national, State and municipal organizations, besides trade guilds, which hold those of one ilk or one locality in even closer relations.—*The National Advocate.*

TO BRAZIL IN OCTOBER.

The State Convention will be most royally entertained by the Brazil Union, October 6 to 9. Every Union should plan to send its full quota of delegates.

The Convention will be held in the splendid new Methodist Church. Every preparation possible for success of the Convention is being made by the church and Sunday School people as well as our own W. C. T. U. friends.

Your Superintendent of Systematic and Proportionate Giving wishes to acknowledge in the MESSAGE gifts to her department as follows: Leaflets, 8,000 pages, worth \$3.50, from Esther Tuttle Pritchard, Kokomo; leaflets, 100 pages, "Nevertheless, What Saith the Scriptures?" R. E. O'Bryne, Oxford, Ohio; cash, 50 cents, Lotta Pierce, Williamsport. Now, I want \$50 in cash. The department is growing wonderfully in its possibilities. ALICE R. PALMER.

The liquor traffic costs every year more than our whole civil service, our army, our navy, our congress, including the river and harbor and the pension bills, our wasteful local governments and all national, state, county and local debts, besides all the schools in the country. In fact, this country pays more for liquor than for every function of every kind of government. How is a question of this size to be put aside with a sneer?—*Exchange.*

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All material intended for publication must be in the hands of the editor by the 15th of the month.

State W. C. T. U. Convention, Brazil, October 6 to 9.

National W. C. T. U. Convention, Los Angeles, Cal., October 27 to November 1.

Loyal Temperance Legion State Convention, Acton Park, July 27 and 28.

Temperance Days: Island Park Assembly, August 8 and 9; Acton Park Assembly, July 26; Bethany Park Assembly, July 25.

Mrs. L. M. Stevens and Miss Anna A. Gordon, our National President and Vice president, have been out on the Pacific coast and to Los Angeles perfecting plans regarding the National Convention in October.

Mrs. Mary A. Livermore, one of the foremost women of the age in reform work, has passed away. Her mental activity was most remarkable at a ripe old age. She was prominent in the Anti-slavery movement with Garrison, Lovejoy and others. Later she was prominently identified with Woman's Suffrage and the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Few women have ever wielded such an influence in the parlor, with the pen and on the platform, as our great hearted White Ribboner, Mrs. Mary A. Livermore.

To be a member of the W. C. T. U. means something. It is not an organization of pleasure-seekers, serving as a refuge from the dull routine of worry and cares of woman's life, but it is a wide field of labor, embracing every means whereby human souls may be lifted to a higher plane of thought and action. Then we would instill into every mind the great necessity of intelligent co-operation of all Christian people to forward the progress of the White Ribbon army, which is gaining steadily, gaining a foothold wherever the sound of its footsteps is heard. To be a useful member, capable of doing satisfactory work, requires something more than a willingness to do the work. It is true in all professions that a knowledge of the business be acquired before success is assured. So let the thought mature in your hearts that we must familiarize ourselves with every line of work and the various departments originating therefrom. Give the Annual Leaflet a thorough investigation, thereby acquainting yourselves with the history as well as principles of the order.

To wear the badge should signify more than a membership in the Union. It is she who wears it that should honor its emblematic significance.

These are thoughts that should occupy the quiet hour when our minds' forces should be concentrated on the preparation for noble, practical and intelligent work.

PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

May I say through the MESSAGE that the Messenger of Peace is now to be issued from Richmond, Ind., and copies of the June number will be sent to many of our W. C. T. U. constituency, and it is hoped that many of them will become subscribers and consequently more intelligent and earnest workers for Peace. If women be not earnest in effort to drive out the powers of evil and woo the holier influences of love and purity and truth, how can we hope for the speedy coming of the Kingdom of God? But there are many tokens of better things and some of these will be noted in the June Messenger of Peace. Don't fail to read it.

H. LAVINIA BAILY,
Superintendent.

ANTI-NARCOTIC DEPARTMENT.

I will send copies of the new Anti-Cigarette Law to each County Superintendent of this Department; also, to County Presidents where there is no Narcotic Superintendent. The value of the law has been badly crippled by the decision of Judges, but we can work on the same old lines and hope that the Superior Court will render a more just decision. If any County President or Superintendent does not receive a copy of the law before August 1, I would be greatly obliged if they would notify me, as I have

had much trouble with second-class mail this year; also, I would consider it a great favor if all women securing signatures to petitions to the Cigarette Bill would report the work done to me. I would like to send a complete report of the splendid work done by Indiana women to our National Superintendent of Anti-Narcotics, Mrs. Ingalls.

MRS. E. G. SMITH,
1917 Highland Place, Indianapolis. State Superintendent.

LOS ANGELES.

National W. C. T. U. Convention delegates and visitors from Indianapolis, Ind., will go in a party, having a sleeper from Indianapolis at their disposal. Now is the time to save money and plan to make this delightful trip to Colorado Springs, Salt Lake City, one day each, and on to Los Angeles, spending a week there; returning via San Francisco, where a week or so can be spent. Returning direct from San Francisco, the round trip rate will be about \$66.50 railroad fare. A trip from San Francisco north to Portland, Oregon—about 1,200 miles—can be included for \$12.50 extra.

The party going in the sleeper from Indianapolis will use the sleeper at Colorado Springs and at Salt Lake City as a hotel. The cost of the sleeper will be \$8.50 for two persons in a berth through from Indianapolis to Los Angeles.

Going so late in the autumn, we consider the railroad rates very favorable. The heavy traffic to Southern California begins about that time. Fifteen thousand strangers go every winter to Los Angeles, the sunny land of flowers.

For further information address Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 1013 N. New Jersey st., Indianapolis, Ind.

DEAR LOCAL PRESIDENT:—

What! Another letter from the Union Signal? Certainly. We want to thank you for sending so promptly the name and address of your local Union Signal representative, for which we asked last month. But you didn't send it? Haven't even appointed the representative yet?

Well, eight of your sister presidents in Indiana have done so, and we shall expect to hear from you next, and very soon.

Have you realized what a splendid paper our representatives have to offer? (And you know how low the price is, too, only one dollar.) We must not take space even to name the special features, but if you have been reading the paper you are surely ready to give us your enthusiastic co-operation in our effort to place all this wealth of good things in the hands of every W. C. T. U. member and every friend of temperance.

Address The Union Signal, Evanston, Illinois.

FOR MERCY'S SAKE.

Since the departure of our good Shepherdess I doubt not many of you feel alone and forsaken; but remember always that ours is the most unselfish of all work, because dumb creatures can neither remunerate us nor sing our praises; that we can best show our love and appreciation of Mrs. Rall by faithful performance of duty to God's helpless ones, and that some new Superintendent of Mercy assumes her new duties with mighty fear, and she needs your earnest support and sympathy.

I shall ask for your best thought all along the line; send your reports to me promptly, and do not miss even the smallest of good work done.

Let us all attend the State Convention without fail and acquaint ourselves with each other. The prizes offered this year by Miss Rall are as follows: To the Superintendent securing the most names to the Bird Pledge will be given four copies of Dickey Downey. To the Superintendent securing the most sermons preached on Kindness to Animals will be given one copy of For Pity's Sake. For every Band of Mercy of thirty members organized, with name of Band and officers thereto, will be sent Our Dumb Animals for one year and a roll of literature. To all of this beautiful list I will add a surprise prize for the largest sum of money made by Mercy contests.

Let us all renew ourselves and do honor to her who labored so faithfully for twelve long years in Mercy's name. Write to me often.

MRS. FLORA TRUEBLOOD NEFF.

SEEK TO BREAK WILL.

From a Union County paper we get the following facts: A large number of relatives of Henry M. Davis, who died in this county in March last, leaving a will disposing of his property, have brought suit against the executor and the beneficiaries to break the will.

The defendants named are Warren Gardner, executor of the will, the Indiana Yearly Meeting of Friends and W. C. T. U. Hadley Industrial School for Girls, beneficiaries under the will.

He gave to one heir the nominal sum of \$25, to the Hadley Industrial School for Girls he gave \$3,000 and the residue of his estate he bequeathed to the Indiana Yearly Meeting of Friends.

The deceased was never married and the suit is brought by distant relatives, about fourth cousins.

This bequest was secured by our State Vice-president and State Lecturer, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley.

A LETTER TO MRS. CHANDLER.

We have no Union here, but we appreciate your work in Hadley School; therefore we send you this free-will offering:

Emma Engleman and family.....	\$1.25
C. D. Waltz.....	.25
Mary L. Richards.....	.15
Jacob Sturn.....	.10
Wm. Keithley.....	.05
T. J. Keithley.....	.05
Andrew Engstrom.....	.25
John Thomas.....	.05
Emma Burkhardt.....	.05
John W. Sims.....	.10
Millie Minton.....	.10
D. L. Hise.....	.15
Mrs. L. Argenbright.....	.10
Bro. Gileys.....	.15
Carrie Nelson.....	.10
Etta Argenbright.....	.05
Charles Taylor.....	.10
Emma Waltz.....	.05
Anna Townsend.....	.05
G. T. Duncan.....	.05
Sallie Moore.....	.05
Sarah Martin.....	.05
George R. Fox, saloon keeper.....	.25
Minnie Minton.....	.10
J. A. Wright, druggist.....	.25
Bessie Utz.....	.05
Dr. Taggart.....	.10
Dr. Taylor.....	.05
Dr. Duffin.....	.05
Florence Groce.....	.05
Onie Norman.....	.05
Roy White.....	.10
Total.....	\$9.35

EMMA ENGLEMAN.

Georgetown, Ind.

REPORT ON THE \$1,000 FUND.

Reported in last MESSAGE.....	\$397.13
Received from Princeton Union.....	5.00
" " Crescent ".....	5.00
" " Fairmount ".....	20.00
" " members of Fairmount.....	3.25
" " Alice Ruth Palmer.....	2.00
" " Mrs. Faulkner, Salem.....	1.00
" " Mary E. King, Wabash.....	1.00
" " Greensburg Union.....	5.00
" " Mary Clark, Avon Union.....	1.00
" " B. S. McClain, ".....	1.00
" " Rhoda McClain, ".....	1.00
" " Sarah McClain, ".....	1.00
" " Jane McClain, ".....	1.00
" " Louisa Kocher, ".....	1.00
" " Mrs. Guthrie, ".....	1.00
" " Mrs. Spangler, ".....	.50
" " Mrs. Sears, ".....	.50
" " Collection, ".....	.75
" " Nappanee Union.....	3.18
Total.....	\$451.31

FAIRMOUNT'S LIST OF NAMES.

Viola Dickey.....	\$1.00
Mary Elliott.....	1.00
Louisa Rush.....	1.00
Edna Winslow.....	1.00
Bernice Oakley.....	1.00
Mary Bogue.....	1.00
Ora Winslow.....	1.00
Jane Winslow.....	1.00
Susannah Hoekett.....	1.00
Lydia Hiatt.....	.50
Cynthia Winslow.....	.50
Cleo Trader.....	.50
Sarah Luther.....	.60
Angelina Pearson.....	.50
Ada Trader.....	.50
Ethel Pearson.....	.50
Ella Winslow.....	.50
Mary Dicks.....	.50
Millicent Haisley.....	.25
Reta R. Trader.....	.50
Myron R. Peacock.....	.50
Florence Wiltsee.....	.50
Ruth Elliott.....	.50
Nettie Hollingsworth.....	.25
Rose Seale.....	1.00
Adaline Wright.....	1.00
Mary Childs.....	.50
Mary Harvey.....	.25
Mary Ratliff.....	.15
Emma Scott.....	.50
W. C. T. U.....	.50
Total.....	\$20.00

MATTIE E. H. CHANDLER,
Treasurer of Hadley Industrial School.

BEER AS MADE TO-DAY.

I was talking with a very eminent physician who practices very largely in a town where there are many Germans. He said that the kidneys of the Germans who drank beer were universally bad. I asked why it was. He said it was caused by poison in the beer. "Why, then, do you not call attention to it?" I asked. Said he, "I don't want to go out of business."

About twenty years ago beer was made from hops, but some new methods of manufacture have been invented and introduced, and the business has largely gone into other hands. They can by these new processes make cheaper beer. The effect has been to ruin the price of hop lands.

I know hop lands in Washington that sold as high as \$300 an acre, but after this change took place they went down to \$10 an acre. The hop lands in California went down to a merely nominal price, and the same is true of the hop lands in New York. Hop lands generally depreciated. What was the reason? Because the demand for hops had ceased.

Good beer is not brewed now. They manufacture it; they can start the process in the morning and have the beer ready by night. Formerly it took time, hops, etc., to make beer, but now they make it at a very small cost. It used to be possible to get good beer that was made of hops and brewed in the ordinary way. Such beer made a wholesome drink, and people who drank it lived long. It was splendid as a food. It made the Germans perfectly healthy and strong. But if a man drinks beer now and sticks to it he will find, in spite of the standards they have made, that his health will be gone. No man can be healthy and drink the beer that is manufactured today. Why not have beer analyzed? When this bureau was established the Agricultural Department did give a statement showing the ingredients of beer, but they do not now publish such statements. I went to the Department and asked why they did not publish them. "We cannot do so," they said.—*Senator Stewart, Nevada, Congressional Record, Feb. 9, 1905.*

ITINERARY OF STATE LECTURER.

When I last wrote you I was in Lebanon, in the midst of institute work, and I am glad to report that a healthy Loyal Legion was organized during the Institute. Several new members were secured in the county. The city schools took a very active interest in the work and at least 100 took our triple pledge.

On the evening of the 17th I went to Martinsville, where I was received with open arms into the home of our own Mrs. Toner. The daughters were home from school and we all drove over to Mahalasville for the evening service. Here two young women joined our party for the Institute at Morgantown, and the 18th and 19th were crowded full of good things. The hours spent in the home of Brother and Sister Boldrey will never be forgotten. How it cheers us to find so many young people falling into line! It means victory. Mrs. Canaday had an unique contest in the evening—a voters' class, composed of two teachers, two farmers, one physician and one mechanic. The house was crowded. Nine new members were secured. Mrs. Toner declared that Morgantown could entertain a State convention without taxing its hospitality. Let other Unions copy their zeal and they will have similar results.

The 20th and 21st were spent in Grant County. Two fine audiences in Marion and one service held at Maple Run, brought out the Prohibition forces of the county. The W. C. T. U. is popular all over the county, but I think the success they have is made up like success everywhere else—one third inspiration and two thirds perspiration. Try it, sisters, and see. The 23rd was memorial day at Concord and the patriotic people gave us the privilege of speaking on our department of Peace and Arbitration. On Decoration Day we went to Fairview in the forenoon and to Albany in the afternoon. As usual, it rained. I always feel that nature weeps with us on that day in sympathy for our losses and in grief at "man's inhumanity to man" that causes us yet to slaughter our sons on fields of blood.

In the evening we had a fine audience for a W. C. T. U. rally. We were royally entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Stafford. Long may they live to carry forward the white banner of Prohibition.

June 4 was memorial day for the Odd Fellows at Lewisville. The meeting was in the Opera House. There I met the most enthusiastic workers I met anywhere—men who believe in and practice the golden rule. The 9th was Flower Mission Day in the County Infirmary of Union county. My own loyal women secured livery rigs and drove out in a body. That is my own Union and I never say much about the Liberty Union, but it is the salt of the earth just the same. Remember Anna D. Davis belonged to this Union and gave over \$1,500 to Hadley School. Now Henry M. Davis dies and leaves Hadley School \$3,000. He, too, was a member of Liberty Union; and about \$2,000 more, of which I will tell you later.

The 15th was spent in Jay County, the afternoon with the Portland Union at the home of Mrs. Fulton. They got three new members. Mrs. Haynes, the new President, brings things to pass. They have about twenty new members.

The evening at Balbec was a real blessing to me. I was tired and there is no better place on earth to rest than in the home of our dear Mrs. Elmondson. I was pleased to find here a new Union with loyal young people in line.

I fear I am making my letter too long. I am now in Elwood; met with the L. T. L. last night and had two services to-day. The mercury stands at 90 degrees in the shade, yet the enemy of our homes is still afield and we cannot afford to take a vacation.

Push the contest work, sisters, and help the L. T. L. just now before their convention. No Union can die that supports an active Legion. God bless you every one.

ELIZABETH T. STANLEY.

Women vote for local officers in Great Britain, but not for members of Parliament.

SOME PERNICIOUS MEDICINES.

Of wide interest are the results of analyses of various medicinal preparations recently made by the State of Massachusetts, through its analytical chemist, Albert E. Leach. These are published in *The Pharmaceutical Journal* and condensed in *The Lancet* (London), which rather unkindly heads its article "American Quack Nostrums." It should be noted that the disclosures in question are due to an American chemist, who has warned the American public against certain noxious preparations. Presumably the British public is still allowed to consume its nostrums in blissful ignorance. Says *The Lancet*:

"In one case a five-dollar package consisted of two bottles of liquid, yielding respectively 41.1 and 28.2 per cent of alcohol by volume, together with a small bottle of pills containing nux vomica and coated with a very thin layer of gold foil. In another case twelve powders in a box and sold for \$1 were found to contain ammonium chloride and milk sugar, but were free from gold and alkaloids which were stated to be present. Many 'tonics' and 'bitters' are sold in the United States for a similar purpose, bearing various attractive recommendations, a few of which are here quoted: 'purely vegetable, recommended for inebriates,' this liquor contained no less than 41.6 per cent of alcohol; 'entirely free from alcoholic stimulant' yielded 25.6 per cent of alcohol; 'sulfur bitters, contains no alcohol,' this preparation actually contained 29.5 per cent, but was free from sulfur; 'a non-intoxicating stimulant; whisky without its sting,' gave 28.2 per cent. of alcohol, and 'liquid beef tonic, recommended for treatment of alcoholic habit,' contained 26.5 per cent of alcohol. Next to this class of fraud comes the class of diabetical flours or wheat gluten. Of 11 samples examined starch was present in all, the lowest yield being 10 per cent, two others under 20 per cent, two between 50 and 60 per cent and six between 60 and 70 per cent. One sample containing 59 per cent of starch was described by the proprietor as 'protein in its purest form.' The prices of these flours varied from 11 to 50 cents per pound. Taking cigarettes next, the—brand of Medicated Cinnamon Cigarettes, purporting to contain no tobacco, were actually found to contain a large proportion, together with cassia and other aromatic herbs. * * The report contains a list of hair restorers, some of them well known in this country, giving the amount of lead present. In the 12 articles analyzed the percentage varied from .3 to 2.32. Nine toilet preparations were found to contain mercuric chlorid or some other poisonous salt of mercury in proportions varying from 1 to 15 grains per ounce. In one case a six ounce bottle contained no less than 47 grains of corrosive sublimate. Some of these preparations have already found a ready market in this country and doubtless others will follow in due course. The advertising managers of many of our most widely circulated newspapers and magazines will accord them a cordial reception, with the result that the public, with simple faith in what they read, will buy them as eagerly as they have in the past. It is surely time that some official control was exercised over this growing evil."

"Patent medicines are poisoning people throughout America to-day. Babies who cry are fed laudanum under the name of syrup. Women are led to injure themselves for life by reading in the papers about the meaning of backache. Young men and boys are robbed and contaminated by vicious criminals who lure them to their dens through seductive advertisements."—*Kemble, in Collier's Weekly.*

COUNTY INSTITUTES.

Blackford County Institute was held in Mill Grove M. E. Church and was opened Tuesday evening with a matrons' silver medal contest. There were seven contestants. The Roll quartette furnished excellent music. Wednesday morning the Institute was called to order by the County President, Mrs. Stahl, who gave a report of her work done in the county and at some other places, which showed that she had not been idle. Mrs. Shannon's report of the Montpelier Union showed it to be in a good condition and advancing. Mrs. Bugh, of Fairview, reported that Union alive and hopeful. Mrs. Winslow, of the Mill Grove Union, reported the Union small, but doing some work and not discouraged. Mrs. Stahl next reported the Hartford City Union, and all who read the papers know that the W. C. T. U. of Hartford City is alive and working. Review of work led by the County President and followed by the local President. Bible reading and noontide prayer by Mrs. Winslow was full of power and touched all hearts. An excellent dinner was served in the church to all present by the Mill Grove Union. Mrs. Dunlap being absent, her subject, The Women of the Past Century, was discussed by the Institute. Mrs. Stahl was called on and spoke of many of our noble women and their good work, encouraging us to go on doing the little things, for they, too, count in the end. Next came the subject, Would the Ballot in the Hands of Women Tend to Purity and Reform in Government? by Mrs. Pond, and the argument was very strong in favor of the affirmative. The history and meaning of our badge, why and when you wear it, brought out many beautiful things about the little bow, and it was unanimously decided that we wear it all the time and everywhere. Mothers' meetings and purity were discussed by the Institute. Mrs. J. W. Cain's paper, If the Army Canteen is Good for the Soldier Boy,

Why is not the Saloon Good for the Boy at Home? was a splendid argument and was read by Mrs. Lena Sample. One excellent thought was that many of our boys go out of the home pure and free from the drink and tobacco habits and by the canteen have been led to believe that it is a respectable, legitimate business, because Uncle Sam says so. Rev. Watkins was introduced to the Institute and gave a brief but pointed address. The evening entertainment was good. Rev. Watkins favored us with stereopticon views. Solos and recitations were enjoyed. The recitations and illustrations brought out the facts of the terrible curse and made them appear real, and real they are, for some one witnesses just such scenes every day some where in this beautiful America of ours.

BRIEF NOTES.

Avon Union, with friends and children, spent June 9 with our Hadley Home children. The day and dinner were very pleasant; a program of recitations and music was much enjoyed.

Cold Spring Union observed June 9 by visiting the Dearborn County Infirmary, carrying bouquets for all inmates and some for the officers' tables. One of the inmates from Sparta township said the thing he missed most was religious service. Everything about the institution was clean and well kept. The Union will hold its annual picnic this year.

Columbus Union observed Flower Mission Day. We drove in carriages to the County Poor Asylum and found the inmates assembled in the large hall. After a Gospel service we distributed our little gifts, which were greatly appreciated. In the city we visited a number of the sick and cheered them with bright blossoms.

Miss Alice R. Palmer says: I have a few pamphlets by Esther Pritchard, the best leaflet ever prepared on the subject for workers and some of Marx "Money and the Kingdom" by Dr. Josiah Strong, which I will send out for postage. Two cents each to the Superintendent of the Department of Systematic and Proportionate Giving and others interested.

Seymour Union met in May with Mrs. W. F. Pfaffenberger, and was most enjoyable. After devotional exercises and business, the Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings presented program of readings; discussion of questions of vital interest to the home; good music and the social converse that always pleasantly closes these sessions. A good attendance and two new members added to list.

Huntington County W. C. T. U. and friends are great admirers of our Vice-president, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, and none more so than Huntington Union, which some time ago ordered of a Huntington County photographer over a dozen photographs of Mrs. Stanley, taken while with the Unions there, and these were eagerly purchased by members of the local Union and many more called for. This is certainly a novel way of honoring a friend.

Greencastle—Mrs. Vayhinger, State President, filled a premium lecture date for Greencastle Union on the evening of June 1, in Locust Street M. E. Church. A large and representative audience was delighted with the splendid address. This Union is doing a great work along educational lines in this old classic town—the seat of De Pauw University. The results will be felt in every avenue of life in hundreds of communities in this and other States.

Mrs. Willemar, President Steuben County writes: Field Agent John B. Hann, for the *Patriot Phalanx*, visited our place the past week, and with only a day among us raised the number of subscribers from three to twenty-six, the new ones being members of our W. C. T. U. The minds and hearts of our best citizens are anxious for righteousness and truth, and we hope all voters will soon be united, when a blow can be dealt effectually against our common enemy, the saloon.

Decoration Day was observed by Huntington Union going in a body to the cemetery and decorating the graves of departed members with flowers and a sprig of evergreen tied with the white ribbon, as in the burial ritual ceremony. Those remembered were Mrs. Cyrena Cox, Mrs. John Mangus, Mrs. Samuel Moore, Mrs. A. B. Crull, Mrs. Mohler, Mrs. James Ewing, Mrs. Daniel Shanks, Mrs. Lizzie Shaffer, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Samuel McCaughey, Mrs. Isabella Saylor and Judge Saylor, and Mrs. Laura Fisher.

Burlington Union held a gold medal contest at Deer Creek U. B. Church on May 27. Interest good; crowd not so large as it has been at other times; took in \$6.75 at the door. Two contestants failed to be there, so we had but four speakers. Miss Lucile Mercer was the winner. All did well. Music excellent. The Union sent \$10 to the Hadley Home. If every Union would do thus, the burden would soon lift. God bless the school and every officer and all concerned.

Bloomington Union, or rather a part of said organization, began a series of silver medal contests last month in a new country school house, University Park. Held first contest April 4, net, \$5.35; second May 11, net, \$6.00. The interest the children take is remunerative enough. We shall hold six silver medal contests and feel there will be an awakening not dreamed of. Proceeds of these contests go to meeting table for school and one-half to Bloomington W. C. T. U. Mrs. McCurdy will hold a married woman contest in our city this month for the Hadley Home.

Greensburg—The bargain sale netted the Union over \$80.00. The membership contest resulted in an increase of thirty-five new members. A large number are young men and young women. A reception was given at the home of the beloved President, Mrs. Laura Thomson.

Jay County White Ribboners were wonderfully encouraged by the services of the State President, Mrs. Vayhinger, for two days and two nights. Red Key, June 8, she addressed a Woman's meeting in the afternoon and a mass meeting in the evening. Portland, June 9, Mrs. Sumner Haynes entertained representative ladies of the town, in honor of Mrs. Vayhinger, at her beautiful home. In the evening Mrs. Vayhinger addressed a very attentive audience in the new Presbyterian Church, after which about twenty new members were added to the county.

Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, State President, lectured Saturday evening and Sunday morning in the M. E. Church in Brookville, Sunday evening and Monday afternoon in M. E. Church at Bath, Tuesday afternoon and night at Fairfield; gained 26 new White Ribboners. The most impressive service was at the close of the Monday afternoon meeting at Bath, where Mrs. Vayhinger pinned the white ribbon on six little children, making them members of the W. C. T. U. Cradle Roll. The scene was one not soon to be forgotten. She won the hearts of all who heard her and if Franklin County is ever fortunate enough to obtain her services again a royal welcome awaits her.

The Sunday School Times, 1031 Walnut st., Philadelphia, Pa., has some excellent temperance helps—leaflets of attractive make up and convenient size—just such as are needed by every Sunday School worker who is interested in temperance. Send for samples or packages of the following: A Boy in the Bible and Another Boy, a temperance service in song and story, by Zillah Foster Stevens. Wanted—An Answer: What the Temperance Problem Means in a City Ward where the Public Good Requires Ninety-Six Saloons, by Liberty Hayward. Making Every Scholar a Temperance Worker, by Mary and Margaret W. Leitch. Cigarettes: A Perilous Intemperance, by Zillah Foster Stevens. This leaflet gives list of doors closed against cigarette users.

Edgerton Union, La Fayette, held a very interesting and well attended quarterly meeting at the home of Mrs. Everette Minton. A splendid program was given. The Superintendents of the various departments gave reports, and they were of a most gratifying nature. The reports gave the number of visits to the sick, number of cards and letters written in the interest of the work, number telephone calls, visits to jail, bouquets given, press notices, pages of literature and numerous statistics pertaining to the work. This also being Flower Mission day, the jail was visited and each inmate remembered with a button hole bouquet; three beautiful bouquets were left for the table and many sick received bouquets from the Union. Meeting are always well attended and very interesting.

Bedford Union and the L. T. L. held a picnic in the beautiful grove surrounding the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Malott, May 31, thus celebrating the eighty-eighth birthday of the dear mother, Mrs. Rogers, one of the pioneer White Ribbon workers, of whom we are so justly proud. Eighty-six partook of the bountiful dinner spread upon the grass under the magnificent sugar trees, leaves of which rustled in joy of the first summer day of a new year for our dear co-worker, Mrs. Rogers. In the afternoon a Matrons' Contest was given, at which Mrs. Maud Holcomb Lockwood was awarded the silver medal amid much applause. The Legion sang a song, gave their pledge, mottoes and rally cry. Masters Carl Malott (wearing a silver medal) and Donald Stalker entertained the audience with excellent recitations. A White Ribbon pin was presented to Mrs. Rogers as a slight token of our love and appreciation.

Huntington Union has on hand a large supply of Burial Rituals, which they had printed on recommendation of the State organization and offer them for sale to Unions at much lower prices than could be procured in small quantities. The ritual was carefully prepared by a selected committee from the Union, with special reference to our Christian relations one with the other and as a tender tribute of love to comrades of the White Ribbon Host who have passed on to the spirit realm. Upon one occasion on which it was used in the Huntington Union, friends and relatives of the promoted loved one expressed the opinion that it was the most beautiful and touching ceremony they had ever witnessed. Any Unions desiring these can apply to the local Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. W. L. Stout, Salamonie ave. Prices as follows: 50 cents per 100 copies, 35 cents per 50 copies, 25 cents per 25 copies; sample copies, 1 cent.

Miss Palmer considers the liquor traffic the problem of the nation, for the liquor question embraces all other great questions. She gave her splendid lecture recently at Bluffton to a large and attentive audience. One of the leading features at each session was the music. Mothers' Meetings and Purity were also discussed by Miss Palmer, who presented some very beautiful thoughts on this subject. A solo by Miss Beulah Garrett was beautifully rendered. The patent medicine question was also discussed by the leader in a very able and instructive

manner. A recitation by little Miss Deboy delighted her hearers. After general discussion, Would the Ballot in the hands of Woman Tend to Purify and Reform the Government, it was decided in the affirmative. An excellent paper, entitled The White Ribbon Badge as a Teacher, by Mrs. D. T. Smith, was highly appreciated. A number of new members were added to the Unions and new subscriptions for the *Union Signal* and other papers taken. Miss Palmer urged everybody to take the very best temperance papers in the State. Keep in touch and posted on this great movement. The Institute was well attended, and all who did not hear Miss Palmer in her interesting talks and lectures missed a treat. Our County Superintendent, Mrs. Walmer, read a very appropriate poem entitled Don't Let the Women Vote. Everybody seemed encouraged with the work done in the last year and eager to press forward to greater and higher things. The closing feature was the gold medal contest, which was a decided success in every particular. Miss Lenora Deboy, of Keystone, won the gold medal. The receipts of the contest were over \$15.00.

Elkhart Union has an increase of twelve new members since October. At a recent meeting much interest was manifested and the attendance large. Mrs. Travis was present and presided after being shut in for three months. Mrs. Charles Holler, of South Bend, Associate National Superintendent of Sabbath Observance, made a very interesting address on that subject, the physical need of which was shown by scientific facts, illustrated by charts. Dr. Haegles, a foremost authority on hygiene, was quoted as declaring that when a man is earnestly at work he breathes from one to two cubic inches of air less at every breath than when at rest, and his night's sleep restores only five-sixths of the oxygen that is drawn from his reserve during working hours; therefore he should rest the seventh day to fully regain all that has been lost by imperfect breathing during the work of the week. The spiritual need, of course, was emphasized. Mrs. Holler has an ample fund of information on her department, and is greatly appreciated for her excellent plans and work. The following resolution was passed: We endorse and express our admiration of Gov. Hanly in demanding the enforcement of the laws spread upon the statutes, and we ask the continued co-operation of the officials, also the citizens, and especially do we commend the press in its efforts towards the observance of law for the betterment of our city. Mrs. Cotton, President of the South Bend Union, spoke earnestly on Purity. Flower Mission Work was presented. During the social hour supper was served; later twenty-five bouquets were taken to the sick.

Mrs. Lou E. Rall and daughter, Miss Pearl, were most happily remembered by the Huntington Union with a farewell reception at their pretty home, Sunnyside, at Huntington, on May 16. There were over fifty guests, composed of the members of the Union and several of the ministers and editors and their wives. Although rain prevented many from being present, those of the W. C. T. U. circle who were in attendance enjoyed an evening of rare pleasure. Those in the receiving line, besides the guests of honor, were Mrs. Emily Newcomb and the officers of the local Union, Mrs. M. J. McNaghten, Mrs. J. M. Barker, Mrs. O. Whitelock, Mrs. W. L. Stout and Mrs. John Campbell. Greetings having been exchanged, the company gathered in a group in the parlors and a surprise was given the departing friends, Rev. Mary L. Strickland presenting Mrs. Rall with a handsome cuckoo clock as a token from the Union, to hourly and half-hourly call to mind her Huntington sisters when in her new home. To Miss Rall was given a handsome book, *The Courtship of Miles Standish*, illustrated by Christy, Miss Ulmer, a teacher in the city schools and a Y, making the presentation speech. These tokens will serve, in days to come, to recall many happy relations and incidents, and will be highly prized. Although the parting has long been looked forward to, as the time of departure draws near it is with a feeling of regret upon the part of all that the close ties are severed. Ere this report reaches the readers of the *MESSAGE* the friends will be on their way to the Golden Gate, stopping in Chicago and Cedar Rapids, Iowa, for a visit of several weeks en route. An informal program was given during the evening, with musical selections by Misses Ruby Walmer and Laura Kindig, and Charles Strickland, and readings by Mrs. H. A. Smith and Misses Ulmer and Mason. Dainty refreshments were served and much sociability prevailed.

Marion County News Items.—Mrs. William Blodgett, of Frances Willard Union, in Indianapolis, gave a trolley party to the Boys' Industrial School at Plainfield, Ind., in honor of Miss Ethel McWhirter, a June bride, and Mrs. K. Henry of Chicago, with Mrs. Lamb. Mr. Wiley, of the Institution, showed the party through the various school rooms and work rooms and explained the conditions existing in the Institution. He spoke of the need of a home for truant boys who are now sent to Plainfield, saying it was almost an impossibility to keep them from the boys who had been sent there as the result of some criminal action committed by them. The party, consisting of the Narcissus Club and White Ribboners, were impressed, when looking at the 592 boys at Plainfield, with the importance of temperance work, it being well known that most of this deplorable crime in children is brought about by intemperance in the home.

Flower Mission Day was observed by all Unions in Marion County, each Union visiting one or more public institutions. Four clergymen assisted Palmer Union—Rev. Mary Cox, President—at the Women's State Prison and Industrial School for Girls. This Union also gave a musical and literary entertainment, upon the evening of June 9, in the Harley Gibbs Settlement House in North Indianapolis.

Broad Ripple Union celebrated the day in the beautiful country home of Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, of Nora, Ind. Many State and County workers were invited, and a very pleasant and profitable day was spent. This Union, of which Mrs. Fannie Kelso is President, is changing not only sentiment but conditions in regard to temperate living in this village.

Strawberry Day.—Miss Lucretia Hobart entertained members of her Union—Central of Indianapolis—in her home south of Indianapolis. The home and its surroundings are not only beautiful in themselves, but are filled with beautiful associations for Miss Hobart, this having been the home planted in the wilderness by her father. The picnic dinner was served under the wide-spreading boughs of an apple tree. Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, a member of the Union, also National Treasurer, and Mrs. Cordelia Jewett, Managing Editor of the *Union Signal*, were the speakers of the day and the guests of honor. During the afternoon meeting Mrs. Brand gave a graphic description of the National Headquarters, filled with mementoes and memories of Frances Willard, and spoke of the loving welcome waiting there for all White Ribbon travelers. Mrs. Jewett talked of the *Union Signal*, and emphasized the fact that without Local Unions and local workers neither the *Union Signal* or National Headquarters could be sustained. Both Mrs. Jewett and Mrs. Brand spoke of the work of the organization through its different departments. Mrs. McWhirter, President of the Union, presided. A great number of the honorary members of the Union were present; also a number of Miss Hobart's neighbors. Miss McWhirter and Miss Baker were introduced, Central Union being very proud of the June brides who will so soon leave the home union and the home city. Miss Baker gave a recitation entitled Good Bye, God Bless You. Miss Hobart has invited the Union to a Strawberry Day, to be held next year in her home. Mrs. Jewett and Mrs. Brand remarked that the only thing that would keep them away was the lack of an invitation. They are expected as guests of honor in June, 1906. The Cotter's Ode to Bean Creek, written by Miss Hobart's father in 1821, describing the hardships and pleasures of his forest life, was read by Miss Hobart. It has been printed in the *Patriot-Phalanx*, and will be found in the June 13th issue, on the page devoted to White Ribbon work.

Mrs. Martha Gipe, President of Marion County W. C. T. U., will spend the summer months at Acton Park Hotel, as the guest of her son, Mr. James Gipe, who will have control of the hotel for the summer.

The W. C. T. U. in Marion County has been asked to co-operate with the Prohibitionists in celebrating July 4 in a reasonable manner. Mrs. Carrie Quin is preparing a class for an Oratorical Contest to be given at that time.

Miss Maud Baker, daughter of Dr. J. J. and Mrs. Baker, will be married June 21 to Mr. Albert C. Cathcart, of Peru, Ind., and will reside in that city.

Miss Ethel Tyree McWhirter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Felix McWhirter, will be married, June 28, to Mr. John Parker Wise. Her future home will be Metuchen Park, New Jersey. A reception was given at the home of Mrs. Mary Moody, by Central Union, to these beautiful and talented young women; also to Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Criley, Mrs. Sarah Steele and Mrs. J. F. Brown, who are leaving the city for permanent residence elsewhere. The silver bow of white ribbon was given each departing member, the brides being requested to wear the little gift for the first time upon their wedding day. The complete works of Shakespeare, in seven volumes, were also presented Miss Baker and Miss McWhirter from the Union. Miss Rosa Brown made the presentation speech. A very enjoyable evening was spent by the guests.

A very interesting program has been prepared by Mapleton Union—Mrs. Amanda Whitson President—for July 7. Papers will be read on the following subjects: The Result of the Enfranchisement of Women, Mrs. Chas. Tinsley; Why Temperance Teaching in the Sunday Schools? Mrs. Wm. King; Purity Teaching in the Public School, Miss Kate Price. Recitations, organ and vocal solos will fill the program.

Mrs. Nina Brigham, Corresponding Secretary in Marion County, also President of the Northeast Union, will spend the summer months with her mother, who is mourning the loss of her life's companion.

IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. RUBIE SPRAGUE.—Trafalgar Union mourns the death of their beloved member, Mrs. Rubie Sprague. Her going home is a serious loss to our work. The family and relatives have the tenderest sympathy of the W. C. T. U.

MRS. JENNIE BADGER, of Jeffersonville, died May 31. She was an earnest, devoted White Ribboner, a faithful, true wife and mother, a consecrated, Christian woman. She was foremost in securing names of nearly every school boy in the city to the anti-cigarette pledge. As Secretary of Clark County W. C. T. U. she was efficient and pains-taking. Mrs. Badger was a delegate to the National Convention last fall at Philadelphia.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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COCA-COLA.

We are told that the drinking of coca cola becomes a habit; that the exhilaration produced by the drinking causes unsuspecting persons to drink again and again until the habit is formed. Coca-cola fiends cannot be content without it.

KENTUCKY.

One distillery company in Kentucky turns out every seven days 1,200 barrels of sweet mash whiskey. The output for a year would be 62,400 barrels. The cost of all this to the manufacturers may be fairly estimated at \$374,400, and they receive from the wholesaler a profit of from \$1 to \$2 per barrel. The Government comes in for a nice little rake off, but the fellow who has to pay it all, including transportation charges, Government and local license fees, salary of barkeeper and rent of buildings, is the man before the bar, and for these 62,400 barrels of booze he lets go of \$24,761,678 and then goes home and beats his wife because supper isn't ready.

NEVADA.—VETO IN BEHALF OF SALOONS.

The government is helping the people of Nevada by digging a canal to irrigate their land.

The work is hindered by saloonkeepers, who sell liquor to the men employed on the canal.

At the request of the Department of Justice the State Legislature passed a bill prohibiting the sale of liquor within five miles of any place or camp where government work was in progress in the State.

The Governor vetoed the bill.

The progress of the work, the physical, moral and financial welfare of the men engaged in it, the influence of the Legislature and the Federal Government counted for less with the Governor (Sparks is his name) than the interests of the saloonkeepers.

We trust the people of Nevada will not have to suffer the afflictions of a pro-saloon Governor longer than till the next election.

FLOWER MISSION.

I am confident the dear sisters will join with me in thanksgiving when they know of all the good work done in Morgan County on Flower Mission Day.

The women in Martinsville systematically divided the town and canvassed the same, leaving with each unfortunate some flowers, with the dear words of the Master on one card. The County Infirmary was visited by about thirty women. After a very interesting program was given, refreshments of ice cream and cake were passed to the inmates. The County Jail was not forgotten, as there usually one of our best meetings is held. In all over one hundred bouquets were distributed in the different sanitariums and among the shut-ins of the town, besides several fancy palatable dishes.

I am sure in other counties women were doing just as much, so God will surely bless the organization which is interested in doing such missionary work.

HAZEL K. TONER,
State Superintendent.

MORAL REFORM ACTIVITIES.

At Washington, D. C., Rev. Dr. Wilbur F. Crafts, of the International Reform Bureau, is taking advantage of the approaching settlement between Russia and Japan to bring about a revision of the opium treaty between Great Britain and China. A big petition from reformers all over the country is being prepared for presentation to President Roosevelt, urging him to take the initiative in delivering the Chinese from opium by treaty in the final adjustment of the relation of China to the powers. This is part of the general purpose of the Reform Bureau to secure a general treaty among all civilized nations to prohibit the sale of intoxicants and opium among the uncivilized races of the world.

Preparations are also being made to push a number of bills in Congress designed to completely separate the Federal and State governments in the regulation of the liquor traffic. The principal measure is known as the Hepburn Interstate Liquor bill. It subjects liquor shipped from another State into prohibition or no-license territory in original packages to local authority as soon as it crosses the State line. Another bill on the docket requires internal revenue collectors to furnish certified copies of federal tax receipts to any one requesting it.

The Prohibition and No-license laws of the States are greatly weakened by Federal interference in the form of the internal revenue tax and the rulings of the Interstate Commerce Commission. Liquor may be manufactured in a Prohibition State, shipped to a city just across the State line, put up in original packages and reshipped to consumers living in the

State where it was made. This is a rank evasion of the prohibitory laws, and to a large extent nullifies prohibition. The Interstate Commerce Commission holds that such original packages are not subject to the State authorities until they reach the consumer.

A blow is struck at this ruling in the Hepburn bill by making the packages subject to local authority as soon as they cross the State line coming into a prohibition or no-license territory. The law requiring the collectors to give a certified list of the names of parties holding internal revenue receipts in prohibition or no-license territory would aid the people in locating persons who sell illegally. In such cases the federal government would become a witness against the dive-keeper who is violating the State law. As managed at present the internal revenue system and the Interstate Commerce Commission are helping in the violation of State laws designed to prohibit the sale of intoxicants. The passage of these measures would be a great step forward in temperance reforms.—*Union Signal*.

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A DANGEROUS DRUG—SIR FREDERICK TREVES ON THE PHYSICAL EFFECTS OF ALCOHOL—"IT IS AN ABSOLUTE FALLACY TO REGARD ALCOHOL AS OF VALUE."

At a largely attended meeting held May 4th in the great hall of the Church House, Westminster, London, by the Women's Union of the Church of England Temperance Society, the speaker was Sir Frederick Treves, Bart, G. C. V. O., C. B., LL. D., F. R. S. C., Sergeant-Surgeon in Ordinary to the King. Perhaps no other medical man stands higher in the estimation of the English public. It was he who so successfully operated on His Majesty King Edward some time ago. He served with the army in South Africa, has written numerous books and is a member of the Advisory Board of the Army Medical services and of the Army Hospitals Committee. In an address, which has in abbreviated form excited the greatest interest and attention throughout the country, he said:

I do not propose to trouble you with any detailed accounts of the effects of excessive drinking, and the lamentable diseases that follow from it. The train of physical wreckage that lies in its wake is, unfortunately, a matter of only too common knowledge. I should like, rather, to occupy your time for ten minutes in dealing with the effect of alcohol on the body—not in any particular dose, but in any dose, because, of course, there is always an excuse that it is very difficult to find where temperance ends and intemperance begins, and what should be the precise boundary line between these two lines of conduct.

ALCOHOL DISTINCTLY A POISON.

The point with regard to alcohol is simple enough. It is, of course, distinctly a poison, and it is a poison which, like other poisons, has certain uses; but the limitations of the use of alcohol should be as strict as the limitations of the use of any other kind of poison. Moreover, it is a curiously insidious poison, in that it produces effects which seem to have only one antidote—alcohol again. This applies to another drug equally as insidious, and that is morphia, or opium. Unfortunately, the term poison is by no means an exaggerated one, when it is realized that with alcohol as drunk by the majority of the poorer classes there is mixed a virulent poison in the form of fusil oil.

THE MEDICAL PROFESSION AND ALCOHOL.

There is no disguising the fact that alcohol is year by year less used by the medical profession. It is said that it has a certain position as a medicine, and no one will dispute that; but looking back over hospital drugs for the past twenty-five years, there is no question that the use of alcohol is emphatically diminishing.

LIQUOR A FALSE APPETIZER.

Let us take two or three points—and remember that I am only speaking of the very moderate use of alcohol. In the first place, some people say, "It is a most excellent appetizer. There can be no possible harm in just a little before a meal. It is, as the French say, an 'aperitif appetizer,' and helps digestion." What are the facts? First of all, no appetite needs to be artificially stimulated. If the appetite wants food, it clamors for it; if there is no appetite, there is no need for food. Therefore, there is no need, supposing the belief was true, to use anything that will stimulate the appetite. So on that ground I do not think there is much to be made out for its use.

WEAKENS INSTEAD OF STRENGTHENS.

Then it is said that it is strengthening, and that it gives great working power. We hear a great deal of this in the advocacy of British beef and beer. That sounds very well, but let us view the facts. Alcohol,

curiously enough, modifies certain constituents of the blood in the nourishment of the body. The process that underlies the building up of the human frame is very much modified. The output of carbonic acid is very much lessened, with the result that the drinker at once becomes ill-nourished—obviously so. No man dreams of going into training and taking alcohol. He must reach the acme of physical perfection, and that must be without alcohol.

MOMENTARY NATURE OF STIMULATING EFFECT.

It has a somewhat stimulating effect, and that is the unfortunate part of it. The effect, however, lasts only for a moment, and after it has passed away the capacity for work falls enormously. It does this: It brings up the reserve forces of the body and throws them into action, with the result that when there are used up there is nothing to fall back upon. Its effect is precisely like a general throwing the bulk of his army into the fray and then bringing up, as fast as he can, all of his reserves and throwing them in also. The immediate effect may be impressive, but the inevitable result is obvious.

WHO FELL OUT ON THE WAY TO LADYSMITH.

As a work producer it is exceedingly extravagant, and like all other extravagant measures, leads to a physical bankruptcy. It is also curious that troops cannot work or march on alcohol. I was, as you know, with the relief column that moved on to Ladysmith, and, of course, it was an extremely trying time by reason of the hot weather. In that enormous column of 30,000 the first who dropped out were not the tall men, or the short men, or the big men, or the little men—they were the drinkers, and they dropped out as clearly as if they had been labeled with a big letter on their backs.

EFFECTS ON CIRCULATION AND NERVOUS SYSTEM.

With regard to the circulation. Of course, it produces an increased heart beat, a fuller pulse and redder skins; but the moment the effect has passed off, the action of the heart is absolutely and emphatically weakened. Consequently the temporary effect is produced at an enormous cost. Then there is its action on the central nervous system. Here its action is that of poison. It first stimulates the nervous system and then depresses it, and, as with other poisons which act upon this part of the body, the higher centers go first. They become a little dull—a little less quick and acute. It is very trifling, but there it is; so that the man who does his work on alcohol—even a very moderate amount—is not at his best.

LIQUOR DRINKING INCONSISTENT WITH GOOD WORK.

Alcohol is certainly inconsistent with what might be called fine work. It is absolutely inconsistent with a surgeon's work and with anything that requires a quick, acute and alert judgment. I am very much struck with the fact that very many professional men who work hard all day have discontinued the use of stimulants in the middle of the day. Why? For no other reason, probably in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred, than that they find they cannot work after it. The fact speaks more for this broad point than any amount of abstract arguments.

ALCOHOL DOES NOT "KEEP OUT THE COLD."

The last point is this. "Oh, it is an excellent thing when you are cold. If you are going into the cold air you ought to take a little 'nip' of something. It does keep out the cold!" This argument is used so often that even medical men begin to believe it. I, myself, answer with a quotation from, perhaps, the best authority on this subject, that alcohol lowers the temperature by increased loss of heat and to some extent by lessened oxidation, while the power of the body to resist cold is much reduced by it. That answers this particular argument, which I can assure you is one of the most potent circumstances under which alcohol is used in this country.

TO BE FIT YOUNG MEN MUST NOT TAKE IT.

There is a great desire on the part of all young men to be fit. A young man cannot possibly be fit if he takes alcohol. By no possibility can he want it. That anyone young or healthy should want alcohol is simply preposterous. They might just as well want strychnine. Thus the argument for the young man is: You want to be a man, and you want to be fit. You cannot get fit on alcohol.

THE SURGEON'S GREATEST DREAD.

In conclusion, let me add one little testimony. Having spent the greater part of my life in operating, I can assure you that there are some patients that I don't mind operating upon and some that I do; but the person of all others that I dread to see enter the operating theatre is the drinker. He is the most dangerous feature in connection with the surgical life. The great surgeon, Sir James Paget, said: Of all people I surgically dread it is the secret drinker.

That alcohol is of value is, therefore, an absolute fallacy, and can be proved scientifically in a moment.—*National Advocate*.

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State W. C. T. U. Convention, Brazil, October 6 to 9.

National W. C. T. U. Convention, Los Angeles, Cal., October 27 to November 1.

Temperance Days: Island Park Assembly, August 8 and 9

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

The State Convention, held at Acton Park, we are assured, will be a great success. The president, Miss Edith Hillis, and the General L. T. L. Secretary, Mrs. Ida Mix, are women of deep consecration and fine ability. Next month it will be our pleasure to give our readers a full account of the convention.

CIGARETTES.

The law against the sale and giving away of cigarettes has been of great benefit in lessening the use of this form of poison. It will require vigilance, however to insure further good results. The U. S. mail is being employed in sending paper broadcast, with advice to the receiver of such mail to use the paper, thus advising an example which will lead others to violation of the law. The homes of the people are invaded by such packages, which may fall into the hands of boys and of men who would be otherwise protected from temptation. There should be a general agitation and petition to the Congress to exclude cigarettes and cigarette paper from the U. S. mail when directed to any State where the law prohibits the sale of such commodities. The government should not be a party to the distribution of any article of commerce which the State prohibits. Our senators and congressman of the lower house would certainly give a fair hearing to an effort by the people to exclude cigarettes and cigarette papers from the mails.

W. C. T. U. PICNICS.

An outing into the woods at this season of the year is especially enjoyed by every lover of out door life. Arrange to take the young people for an outing. Take them for a hay-ride. If too many for one wagon, get two. Invite the young ladies and ask them to invite the young men, or vice-versa, each young lady taking supper for two. The W. C. T. U. to furnish the hay wagons for the young people, the matrons and their husbands going out in buggies. Give the young people a good time and do not preach to them. It will count for much for the cause during the winter season, when you have meetings. Try it.

INTERNATIONAL ORATORICAL CONTEST AT OCEAN GROVE.

The winning college prohibition orators from seven States spoke at the eastern inter state contest of the Inter collegiate Prohibition Association, held at Ocean Grove, July 28. The young men who participated were from New York, Syracuse University; Pennsylvania, Susquehanna University; Michigan, Adrian College; Indiana, Taylor University; Kentucky, Kentucky University; Tennessee, Vanderbilt University, Nashville.

Each orator has already won two contests, first one in his college in which different students entered, and then an inter-collegiate contest in his own State, in which the winning orators from the colleges participate.

All of the orations are original and upon some subject relating to the prohibition of the liquor traffic.

The officers of the National Inter collegiate Prohibition Association who will be present will be Mr. D. Leigh Colvin, president, and Mr. A. C. Millican, financial secretary.

SUPERINTENDENTS OF DEPARTMENTS.

Each year by death or removal our Unions and our Counties are bereft of excellent workers. Sometimes for months the vacancies are unfilled. This clogs the machinery of the organization. Our plan of organization is so complete and continuous that one vacancy affects the work materially.

In every county there are bright, competent women. Be considering the needs of our work in local, county and State departments, and at the proper time have appointments made.

Some people will count for something wherever you put them—on committees or as superintendents or officers—others talk well, make good and helpful suggestions in conversations or in open meetings, but can not be depended on. If such a woman is given important responsibility, the work is undone and the cause suffers.

This is not only true in the W. C. T. U.; it is true in all organizations. If the individual lacks in energetic determination and executive ability that "brings things to pass," it is a moral or mental deformity. Such a one should not be given the responsibility and honor of office holding in the W. C. T. U.

Consecrated Christian workers, who have ability, tact, energy and determination, are needed in every phase of temperance work. For such officers and superintendents, make selections that will be a credit to the cause and that will honor our God in service.

ISLAND PARK, ROME CITY, IND., TRI-STATE W. C. T. U. DAY, AUGUST 9.

Bring well filled lunch baskets and spend the day. It will be of a great interest to your young people. Bring at least one young person with you. Great day. A feast of temperance truths from orators of ability. Excellent music by the band and temperance singers. Come! We need the presence of all the temperance people in northeastern Indiana. The presence of each person will help us to open wider the assembly doors for temperance work next year. Please help us by the influence of your presence.

PURITY AND MOTHERS' MEETINGS AND WHITE RIBBON CRADLE ROLL.

You who are occupying the important position of Superintendent of Purity and Mothers' Meetings, need I speak to you to stir up your pure minds in way of remembrance that we are now quite well advanced in the last quarter of this year and that the report of your State Superintendent at our home gathering at Brazil will depend altogether on what you report her? I have sent blanks and literature to every local superintendent whose name and address I could get. I will be glad to get a fine report from every Union in the State. Let me have your reports, whether they be much or little. Remember, dear sisters, that time spent with the mothers for the mothers and babies is time well spent. If we want to reform this world, begin at the beginning.

I will again give a premium at the State convention to the Superintendent who holds the most mothers' meetings and to the Superintendent of the W. R. C. R. who reports the most children enrolled, based on amount of dues sent in. Now, as our State President says to us, let me say to you—a long pull, a strong pull, pull all together. No balking. Let us round up the year's work in the name of Jesus and to His glory and for the good of humanity. Please let me hear from you and have your reports on time.

MRS. S. M. STAHL.

HOUSEHOLD ECONOMICS.

As you are doubtless all familiar with the fact that our last General Assembly appropriated \$9,000 for the establishment of an analytical laboratory for the purpose of detecting food adulterations, now it is up to the women of the State to avail themselves of the privilege of forwarding various kinds of food, either through the kindness of the County representative of the State Board of Health or direct to the Secretary, Dr. John N. Hurty, State House, Indianapolis, Ind.

Let us emphasize the importance of this work on our friends, thus showing our appreciation of our legislators along this special line. It is said that no State has a better pure food law than ours, and very few as complete and far reaching. Now that the pure food law is in operation, we will be enabled to devote more time to the next most important work of our department, viz: the incorporating of manual training into the curriculum of the schools.

Foreign countries are far in advance of us in this respect, but it is comforting to know that our leading educators are advocating more and more every year the training of the young while in school to do house work properly, to promote better cooking and advance the benefits of pure food, economical marketing, personal hygiene and thorough sanitation throughout the household.

MARY A. MOODY.

PARLIAMENTARY LAW.

The report blanks of Parliamentary Law have been sent to each and every County Superintendent of that department, so far as I have been able to find them by diligent search. In cases of counties not having a Superintendent they have been sent to the President, hoping and asking her to gather up the reports from each local Union and forward to me not later than September 15. The report blank is meant to include the whole year's work. Please also appoint a County Superintendent of Parliamentary Law and report her name and address to me when you return the answered report blank, so that the State Parliamentary work may go forward.

MRS. M. A. TOMPKINS.

NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION.

The annual blanks have just been mailed to the local and county superintendents and to local presidents where a superintendent has not been reported to me. Magnificent work has been done throughout the State by many Unions and Counties. Doubtless every Union has done more or less. A full report from each Union, be it ever so great or ever so small, will possibly gain for Indiana, at the National Convention, the beautiful banner offered by our National Superintendent to the State sending in the best report. The National Superintendent writes me, saying: "Remember, the Banner is for the State sending best report in proportion to the number of local Unions on the following points:

1. Number of local Unions in State holding a meeting on this department this year.
2. Number of local Unions distributing at least 50 cents' worth of literature in this department.
3. Local Presidents acting as Superintendents and pushing the work should be counted.

In view of the fact that never before has this subject been so greatly agitated and never before have the people been so free to listen and accept the truth in regard to the use of non-alcoholic medicines, can any Union afford to not hold at least one or more meetings? If you have not already done so can you not yet, in the time before your report blank is filled and returned to the Superintendent, hold one meeting and distribute the 50 cents' worth of Literature?

The National Superintendent has just sent to my address some literature for the Unions, for postage only. Please note the amount of postage on package, and enclose the amount to me when you send your report, which must be in my hands by September 15 to insure its appearance in the printed reports. It requires but a few minutes to fill out and mail the report. It means much to me in making out the final report to the National Superintendent. Every Union should report through the County Superintendent, if active; if not, send direct to the State Superintendent.

Again, let me urge you to be prompt in sending the report by the 15th of September. I pray you, do not neglect it, and the blessing will not only be yours, but the State's and the Nation's and the World's. "Be ye faithful in little things and I will make you ruler over more." AMANDA T. WHITSON, State Superintendent Non-Alcoholic Medication. 3335 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, Ind.

LOCAL REPORT BLANK.

Local Union.....County.....
Local Superintendent.....Address.....
County Superintendent.....Address.....

MOTTO—"Wine is a mocker, and whosoever is deceived thereby, either as a beverage or as medicine, is not wise."

1. No. meetings of the Union devoted to this department..... No. a portion of the time..... No. public addresses given.....
2. No. original papers read before your Union..... No. read before the public.....
3. Was this department presented at your spring convention and institute?..... At your fall convention?..... How?.....
4. No. Non-Alcoholic Medication Contests held..... No. debates.....
5. Have you a copy of Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine?..... Do you read from it at your Union meetings?..... Have you loaned, sold or given this book to physicians?.....
6. Have you given The Doctor's Day Off?.....
7. What have you done to interest teachers, ministers and editors on this subject?.....
8. No. articles in the press on this subject..... No. pages literature distributed?.....
9. Do you know of any persons led into drunkenness through using alcoholic medicines?..... Has any one been led by your efforts to cease to use alcohol as a medicine or wines in cooking?.....
10. Is there a medical college in your city?..... How many of its professors and students favor non-alcoholic medication?.....
11. How many members of your Union use alcoholic medicines?..... How many have asked their physicians not to use it in their families?..... Have they given them literature on this subject?.....
12. Are you making a non-alcoholic scrap book?.....
13. How much money expended on this department work? \$.....
14. Is the interest in this department on the increase in your community?.....

NOTE—If there is no Local Superintendent in your Union, will you, as President, please fill out and return this blank to your State Superintendent?

Please add, on back of this blank, any items of interest not included in the above questions. Return not later than the 15th of this month.

P. S.—If blanks have not reached you, please fill out the above blank and send it.

National purity conference will convene at LaCrosse, Wis., October 17, 18 and 19, 1905. The present situation, as it pertains to the cause of purity, will be discussed and plans formulated for an aggressive united forward movement. The conference was called by the several leading purity organizations of this country. A general invitation is extended to purity workers to attend and take part in its deliberations.

B. S. STEADWELL,
Chairman of Committee.

LaCrosse, Wis.

FROM STATE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

We are fast approaching another harvest home. Only a few short weeks remain to us, in which to carry out the plans with which we began the year. We have all missed the guiding hand and the helpful suggestions of our dear Mrs. Brand, but as our noble workers leave us one by one, let each of us who remain assume a little more responsibility, close up the ranks and press forward.

As you know, our plan for the year is a gain of 1,200, but our Treasurer's books show a decrease of 400 members when compared with the third quarter of last year. Many of you have been making earnest efforts to carry out this plan, but in other places there is a decrease, probably from a failure to collect the dues from those already members. Now, shall we not, in the next few weeks, make a thorough canvass for recruits for our white ribbon army? There is an inspiration and a power in numbers and the mere fact of a large membership in our organization, will, more than anything else, give us influence with government officials and in the halls of legislation.

Let each member, as she reads this, resolve to secure at least one new member before the close of this quarter and thus double our influence as well as our membership. What a time of rejoicing this would give us at our State convention!

As our State convention comes early in October, it will be necessary for reports to be sent in very promptly this quarter. Will the Local Corresponding Secretaries please take note of this, for the County secretary must depend on the local reports in order to make her report to the state? A number of local unions failed to report last quarter. No matter how little you may have done, fill out your blank and send it in on time. Remember the little done by each local Union helps to swell the grand total accomplished by the State. The following unions were organized during last quarter:

Adams County, Geneva Union, Mrs. Rosa Hanna, president.

DuBois County, Ireland Union, Mrs. Margaret Bean, President.

Hillsboro, reorganized, Mrs. M. L. Hobbs, president.

Duff, Mrs. Jennie Lemmon, president.

Ripley County, Holton Union, Mrs. Rheta McHenry, President. MARY E. WOODARD.

HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL—REPORT ON \$1,000 FUND.

Previously reported.....	\$451.31
Received from Gas City Union.....	5.00
" " Fowlerton.....	5.00
" " Hadley, Grant County.....	8.50
" " Linwood Union.....	2.00
" " Deer Creek.....	15.00
" " Marion Central Union.....	6.00
" " Howell.....	2.00
" " St. Joseph.....	1.00
" " Lebanon.....	5.00
" " Mrs. Willis Parker.....	.50
" " Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger.....	5.00
" " Rossville Union.....	5.00
" " Miss Woodard.....	1.00
" " Ashley Union.....	2.50
" " Shipshewanna Union.....	5.00
" " Prospect.....	1.75
" " Roll.....	1.00
" " Jefferson.....	2.00
" " Clark County.....	5.00
" " Dana Union.....	5.00
Total.....	\$534.56

\$400 has been paid on the Ridgway note since State Convention. MATTIE E. H. CHANDLER.

TREASURER'S REPORT—THIRD QUARTER.

	RECEIPTS.
Mar. 28. Balance on hand from second quarter.....	\$926.95
Apr. 4. From Mrs. Palmer, sale on Frances Willard buttons and copy of Reply to Committee of Fifty.....	1.15
" 4. Mrs. Ida Mix, Greencastle L. T. L. dues.....	2.00
" 7. LaFayette for State Ministers.....	1.20
" 10. Dana.....	1.60
" 28. Mrs. Harwood, Lyons, Ind., Hadley.....	2.00
May 5. Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, Hadley Industrial School.....	15.00
" 25. Rossville, Hadley Industrial School.....	5.00
" 27. Miss Woodard, Hadley Industrial School.....	1.00
" 27. Ashley, Hadley Industrial School.....	2.50
" 29. Shipshewanna, Hadley Industrial School.....	5.00
" 31. Prospect, Hadley Industrial School.....	1.75
June 2. Roll, " " " ".....	1.00
" 7. Dana, " " " ".....	5.00
" 17. College Corner, Ohio, L. T. L. dues.....	2.00
" 13. Hancock County dues.....	15.77
" 20. Jeffersonville, Hadley Industrial School.....	2.00
" 20. Hartsville Memorial Fund.....	2.00
" 22. Moore's Hill, L. T. L. dues.....	2.30
" 22. Clark County W. C. T. U., Hadley Industrial School.....	5.00
" 23. Wayne County, for State Minutes...	4.20

LIST OF UNIONS SENDING DUES AFTER APRIL FIRST.

BENTON COUNTY.	JEFFERSON COUNTY.
Boswell..... \$5.85	Madison..... \$7.80
Otterbein..... 3.20	
Oxford..... 2.60	JAY COUNTY.
BLACKFORD COUNTY.	Portland..... \$1.30
Hartford City..... \$14.95	Balbec..... 6.50
Roll..... 4.55	Bryant..... .65
Fairview..... 1.30	JENNINGS COUNTY.
BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY.	North Vernon..... \$5.20
Hartsville..... \$1.95	KNOX COUNTY.
Petersville..... 1.30	Vincennes..... \$6.50
BOONE COUNTY.	LAGRANGE COUNTY.
Lebanon..... \$4.55	Shipshewanna..... \$0.60
Thorntown..... 3.90	LaGrange..... .80
CASS COUNTY.	LAPORTE COUNTY.
Logansport..... \$1.30	Michigan City..... \$1.95
CARROLL COUNTY.	MARION COUNTY.
Burlington..... \$2.60	Frances Willard... \$4.55
CLAY COUNTY.	Vayhinger..... 5.20
Brazil..... \$11.70	North East..... 2.60
CLINTON COUNTY.	Bridgeport..... .65
Frankfort..... \$3.90	Palmer..... 1.30
Jefferson..... .65	Meridian..... 7.15
Rossville..... .65	Broad Ripple..... 6.50
Mulberry..... 6.50	Mapleton..... 10.40
CLARK COUNTY.	MADISON COUNTY.
Jeffersonville..... \$3.90	Elwood..... \$3.90
DAVISS COUNTY.	Anderson W..... 2.60
Montgomery..... \$1.00	Anderson Y..... 1.95
DECATUR COUNTY.	Lapel..... 2.60
Greensburg..... \$9.10	MARTIN COUNTY.
DEARBORN COUNTY.	Loogootee..... \$2.13
Lawrenceburg..... \$1.30	MONROE COUNTY.
Aurora..... 3.25	Bloomington..... \$1.95
Bright..... 1.95	MORGAN COUNTY.
Guilford..... 1.95	Monroeville..... \$6.50
DELAWARE COUNTY.	Morgantown..... 7.80
Normal City..... \$2.40	Brooklyn..... 2.60
Eaton..... .80	Monrovia..... 2.60
Muncie..... 4.00	Martinsville..... 11.05
DEKALB COUNTY.	OHIO COUNTY.
Butler..... \$3.25	Rising Sun..... \$3.25
Garrett..... 1.30	PORTER COUNTY.
Auburn..... 1.95	Hebron..... \$5.36
ELKHART COUNTY.	Valparaiso..... 2.60
Elkhart..... \$5.85	POSEY COUNTY.
Goshen..... 6.50	Mt. Vernon..... \$1.95
Nappanee..... 5.20	POTTER COUNTY.
Middlebury..... 1.30	Greencastle..... \$12.00
FRANKLIN COUNTY.	PULASKI COUNTY.
Brookville..... \$1.95	Star City..... \$0.65
Willard Memorial..... 7.80	STEBEN COUNTY.
GIBSON COUNTY.	Ashley..... \$0.65
Princeton..... \$8.00	Angola..... 1.30
FLOYD COUNTY.	Fremont..... 1.95
New Albany..... \$3.25	Pleasant Lake..... 5.85
GRANT COUNTY.	ST. JOSEPH COUNTY.
Upland..... \$3.90	Central Union,
Fairmount..... 13.00	South Bend..... \$3.90
Fowlerton..... 3.90	Colfax..... 3.90
Hadley..... 7.15	Chapin Park..... 3.90
Linnwood..... 3.90	Frances Willard... 3.25
Back Creek..... 3.90	SHELBY COUNTY.
Jonesboro..... 1.95	Shelbyville..... \$3.90
Gas City..... 14.95	SPENCER COUNTY.
Deer Creek..... 3.90	Rockport..... \$3.25
Oak Chapel..... 3.25	UNION COUNTY.
Shugart..... 6.50	College Corner..... \$3.25
Maple Run..... 7.15	VIGO COUNTY.
Marion..... 5.20	Frances Willard... \$5.20
South Marion..... 7.15	Terre Haute..... \$5.20
HANCOCK COUNTY.	VERMILLION COUNTY.
Greenfield..... \$0.65	Dana..... \$8.45
HENDRICKS COUNTY.	VANDERBURG COUNTY.
Danville..... \$3.90	Howell..... \$1.95
Plainfield..... .65	WABASH COUNTY.
Avon..... .33	Farmers..... \$6.50
HAMILTON COUNTY.	Rich Valley..... 1.95
Carmel..... \$7.80	South Wabash..... 7.15
Sheridan..... 7.15	WASHINGTON COUNTY.
Westfield..... 5.20	Campbellsburg..... \$5.20
HOWARD COUNTY.	Salem..... 3.00
Kokomo..... \$9.10	WAYNE COUNTY.
South Kokomo..... 4.55	Economy..... \$5.20
Greentown..... 3.25	Frances Willard... 1.95
Phlox..... 7.80	Fountain City..... 6.50
Lindley..... 1.30	Clara M. Sears, Y. 2.50
New London..... 2.60	WHITLEY COUNTY.
West Middleton..... 4.55	Churubusco..... \$8.45
HUNTINGTON COUNTY.	Columbia City..... 1.95
Huntington..... \$7.80	South Whitley..... 2.60
Warren..... 5.20	Total amount received..... \$1,508.64
Markle..... 3.90	
JACKSON COUNTY.	
Seymour..... \$4.00	

NOTE—On account of the illness of Wells County Treasurer, the report came too late for third quarter.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Mar. 29. Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, second quarter appropriation and expense.....	\$42.50
Mar. 29. Mrs. Mattie Gibson, expense and appropriation.....	27.03

Mar. 29. Clara M. Sears, expense and appropriation for second quarter...	\$62.93
Mar. 29. Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, second quarter on appropriation for editing MESSAGE.....	10.00
Mar. 29. Mrs. Martha Allen, for Non-Alcoholic literature.....	1.20
Mar. 29. Mrs. Harriet W. Brand, National Treasurer, for Memorial fund...	16.00
April 6. Phalanx Publishing Co., on last year's bill.....	14.75
April 13. Mrs. Harriet W. Brand, National Treasurer, National dues.....	137.26
April 13. Mrs. Ida M. Mix, money refunded and L. T. L. dues.....	8.36
April 13. Mrs. Mattie Chandler, for Hadley Industrial School debt.....	4.85
April 13. Mrs. Harriet W. Brand, second quarter's appropriation.....	93.75
April 14. April MESSAGE.....	43.11
April 14. State Minutes account.....	100.00
April 14. Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, expense to Mid-Year Executive.....	5.40
April 14. Mrs. Luella McWhirter, balance on editing MESSAGE.....	8.75
April 14. Mrs. Gibson, on second quarter's expense.....	3.70
April 14. Mrs. Gibson's expense to Mid-Year Executive.....	2.00
LAST HALF OF STATE SUPERINTENDENT'S APPROPRIATION.	
April 15. Miss Susan Clark.....	2.50
April 15. Miss Maud Baker.....	2.50
April 15. Mrs. Julia Trish.....	2.50
April 15. Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall.....	20.00
April 15. Mrs. Lida Outland.....	2.50
April 15. Mrs. Mattie C. Gibson.....	3.00
April 15. Rev. M. A. Thompkins.....	1.50
April 15. Miss Laura Cammack.....	3.50
April 15. Mrs. S. M. Stahl.....	5.00
April 15. Mrs. Elizabeth Smith.....	3.50
April 15. Miss Lavina Bailly.....	2.50
April 15. Miss Carrie Stair.....	2.00
April 15. Miss Mary Moody.....	2.00
April 15. Rev. Alice R. Palmer.....	2.50
April 15. Mrs. E. M. Houghton.....	3.00
April 15. Mrs. Emily McIntosh.....	3.00
April 15. Mrs. Flora Neff.....	3.00
April 15. Mrs. Ellen Davis.....	2.50
April 15. Mrs. Lizzie Heath.....	3.50
April 15. Mrs. Katie Wert Holler.....	4.50
April 15. Miss Hazel Toner.....	2.50
April 15. Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson.....	5.50
April 15. Mrs. Laura Thompson.....	5.00
April 15. Mrs. Gertrude Fulton.....	2.50
April 15. Mrs. R. C. Travis.....	3.50
April 15. Rev. Alice R. Palmer.....	3.00
April 15. Mrs. Ida Mix.....	10.00
May 5. Anderson Publishing Co., Superintendent's Report blanks.....	5.00
May 5. Herald Publishing Co., 500 pledge cards.....	2.25
May 8. Miss Elizabeth Stanley, expense to Mid-Year Executive.....	5.00
May 16. May MESSAGE.....	45.45
May 16. Miss Woodard, freight and drayage.....	1.13
May 16. Mrs. Mattie Chandler, for Hadley School.....	17.00
May 16. Miss Palmer, expense to Trustees' meeting.....	.75
May 16. Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, expense to Trustees' meeting.....	3.00
May 16. Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall, expense to Trustees' meeting.....	.65
May 16. Mrs. Mattie Gibson, expense to Trustees' meeting.....	1.80
May 16. Miss Woodard, expense to Trustees' meeting.....	3.56
May 22. Clara M. Sears, petty expense check.....	12.74
June 13. Anderson Publishing Co., State Officers' supplies.....	13.25
June 13. Miss Palmer, Prison Secretary...	5.00
June 13. Mrs. Mattie C. Gibson, editing Phalanx.....	10.00
June 22. Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, expense and 3d quarter's appropriation...	55.25
June 22. Miss Mary Woodard, 3d quarter's appropriation.....	93.75
June 22. Mrs. Mattie Gibson, 3d quarter's appropriation.....	23.77
June 22. Clara M. Sears, 3d quarter's appropriation.....	56.25
June 22. Mrs. Luella McWhirter, editing MESSAGE, 3d quarter.....	18.75
June 22. June MESSAGE.....	45.13
June 22. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, 3d quarter's expense and premium lectures.....	10.60

Total amount of receipts for the quarter ending June 29..... \$1,580.64

Total disbursements..... 957.62

Bank balance..... \$623.02

CLARA M. SEARS,
Treasurer.

If every person would be half as good as he expects his neighbor to be, what a heaven this world would be!

INVITATION TO ISLAND PARK, ROME CITY, IND.

Isle of beauty, isle of rest,
O'er the smiling skies of blue,
How through nature thou art blest,
How each comer loveth you.
Sighing breezes kiss the trees,
Mirrored in Sylvan Lake;
How we love such scenes as these,
As we of thy joys partake.
Rippling fountain, blooming flowers,
Music floating in the air
Only pleasure fill the hours
On this island bright and fair.
Would you pass the summer day,
Free from care that leaves its mark,
Just arrange to come this way—
Come and rest at Island Park.

—A. Parker.

August 9 is Tri-State W. C. T. U. day for Michigan, Ohio and Indiana, at Island Park. We shall expect our temperance people from all about the northeastern part of the State to rally to our support by their presence on that day. Our State President, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, and Mrs. Richards, of Ohio, will be with us. Indiana temperance people are proud of Mrs. Vayhinger as a convincing speaker. Mrs. Richards has a national reputation as an eloquent speaker. She is a Methodist. Her Ohio conference sent her as a lay delegate to the General Conference held in Los Angeles, Cal., an honor bestowed upon only ten women in the history of the M. E. Church.

At night the Diamond Medal oratorical contest will be a sentiment maker. The speakers will be from Michigan, Ohio and Indiana. Bring young people with you if you desire that they should be definitely for the W. C. T. U. and interested in aggressive temperance work. A limited number of W. C. T. U. women can be accommodated for beds at the W. C. T. U. cottage by bringing pillows, sheets and bed covers. They can prepare their own suppers and breakfasts at the cottage. Excellent drinking water, good boating, good fishing, congenial comradeship. Bring your young people. Bring your lunch basket well filled and spend at least two days, August 8 and 9, at Island Park, Rome City.

FROM THE STATE PRESIDENT.

As we are coming to the close of another year's work, I am wondering how your Union has prospered this year. Have you had the presence of the Great Leader? That presence, with hard work on your part, brings a successful year. The present quarter finds us with a loss in membership, when compared with corresponding quarters last year. I cannot think this our true condition, but that it comes from failure to collect dues from old members who should have paid in these quarters. We should feel chagrined if in the state, our organization, which has been so helpful in making these possible, should suffer a loss in members. Will you see that the Treasurer collects all dues before September 15?

I am asking each Local President to make a thank offering, for successes of the year, of three new members, enrolling them and collecting their dues by September 1. Will you do this? If each will do it our offering will amount to more than 600 members to the organization. Are you helping to hold the National Contest Banner in the State by pushing the contest work? Will you join us in daily prayer that the convention at Brazil, October 6 to 9, may be spirit led, that it may be a blessing to our hostesses and the work at large? I am enclosing a Review of the Temple Question, which I hope you will read carefully, as it contains information which we need. Please write me, as I long to hear from each Local President.

CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

FROM OUR STATE TREASURER.

DEAR TREASURERS—I know you will all work and help to collect the dues for the fourth quarter. We did not receive as many dues the third quarter as we did the corresponding quarter last year. Now, unless the Local and County Treasurers all work together Indiana's record for membership will decrease. Each County and Local Treasurer will have received a letter before this issue comes out. One thing I desire to impress upon each is the importance of sending in the reports by September 20. Our State convention coming so early, it will be necessary for the bank books to be balanced before we can close the year's work. Send to me not later than September 20, please.

CLARA M. SEARS,
Treasurer.

The State Convention will be held early this fall. All dues should be promptly collected. Our unions have gained in membership, still the lack of collecting dues and sending to County and State Treasurer, shows a deficit so far this year in membership. Dear sisters, this will not be satisfactory to us and will not be inspiring to others. Collect dues! Collect dues! Each of us is represented in the State membership by the few cents dues we pay. Please help your Treasurer to collect the dues. If she is not a wise, tactful woman, eager to receive help, you certainly are justifiable in offering to take her out in your buggy one or two mornings, so she can collect dues. The morning is the best time, because the members are more likely to be at home. Presidents of the unions should now call for Treasurer's reports of the number of paid-up members so far this year and then plan for energetic efforts toward the collection of more dues. The young ladies will often help if asked. Begin to-day to plan for collection of dues.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Mrs. Ida Mix writes: Two new Legions organized. One, the Aunt Martha Hadley Legion, at Hadley home, organized by Mrs. Hann, June 26, with 18 paid members. Mrs. Ella Hadley, leader. The other is at Bright, Dearborn County, organized by Miss Jennie Ward, with 15 members. Mrs. Siefferman, leader. Keep on praying for the young people's work in our State. We hope much good will be done by Mr. Shattuck's visit.

WHERE WOMEN HAVE EQUAL SUFFRAGE.

In Wyoming, Colorado, Utah and Idaho women have equal suffrage with men.

Women can vote on school and municipal matters in Kansas.

In the following States women have school suffrage: Michigan, Minnesota, New Hampshire, Oregon, Massachusetts, New York, Vermont, Illinois, Connecticut, Nevada, Wisconsin, Washington, Arizona, Montana, New Jersey, North Dakota, South Dakota and Ohio.

Montana and Iowa permit women to vote on the issuing of municipal bonds.

Women taxpayers in Louisiana may vote on questions of public expenditure.

Equal suffrage with men has been defeated in Kansas, New Hampshire, South Dakota, Oregon and Washington.

Many resorts and towns are holding Chautauques this season. Wherever there is an assembly program our W. C. T. U. should seek a place on the program for next year. Now is the time. Ask for at least one full day and immediately begin to arrange for securing speakers and musicians. The editor of the MESSAGE did not receive the announcement of the W. C. T. U. program for any Chautauqua Assembly in the State, except Island Park, Rome City, in time to publish it in the July MESSAGE. Incidentally we learn there is to be a nice program at Lake Maxinkuckee.

The business world of the future will be composed of total abstainers. Confirmation of this fact has been given over and over again by railroads and large corporations. The latest, however, is a total abstinence pledge which is being insisted upon by the Wyoming Light Company, of Wilkesbarre. Under the heading of A Powerful Temperance Motive, the Philadelphia Bulletin comments on this move as follows: When the linemen in the employ of the Wyoming Light Company received their pay envelopes at Wilkesbarre on Saturday night, each man found along with his money a printed pledge to abstain from the use of intoxicating liquor while off and on duty, which he was requested to sign, which it is stated, that the workman, in consideration of the good wages they receive, will sign promptly and cheerfully. This Wilkesbarre requirement is not an exception, but is fast becoming the rule enforced by all corporations engaged in commerce, transportation and manufacturing industries. Steam and electricity are the motive powers of the present industrial world, and in unskillful or unsteady hands are as perilous to life and property as they are powerful. Hence, no railway, telegraph, telephone or factory manager is willing to entrust the management of costly equipment and the protection of hundreds of human lives to brains that are befuddled and nerves that are shattered by indulgence in drink.

The American people are doubtless growing more temperate than their ancestors were, but the most powerful influence in this direction is the imperative necessity of clear brains and steady nerves in the handling of the powerful machinery of modern civilization. Preachers, temperance lecturers, hygienic instructions in the schools, all have their influence in the direction of abstinence, it is true, but all these combined failed to be one-half as powerful as the necessity which is being forced upon the great army of industrial employes to keep sober in order to obtain employment.

Throughout the centuries the drink shop has been the ante-chamber to the workhouse, the chapel of ease to the asylum, the recruiting station for the hospital, the rendezvous for the gambler, the gathering ground for the jail.—John Burns.

BRIEF NOTES.

Bethany Park. A great day will be enjoyed by our temperance and W. C. T. U. people this year at Bethany Park. We regret that we go to press too early to publish the report.

Burlington Union held a silver medal contest in the M. E. Church at Bald Hill, Carroll County. Receipts, \$13.50. Much interest was exhibited by the lively cheering. Miss Robinson won the medal. Two more contests are on hand. A gold medal contest to be held at Cutler, Carroll County, in the near future; date not fixed.

Brazil will entertain most hospitably the W. C. T. U. State Convention, Oct. 6 to 9. Every union should send its full quota of delegates. Each union is entitled to the following number of delegates—the President, one delegate at large, one delegate for every twenty paid members. It is an inspiration to every member who attends the convention. Be sure and arrange to send your delegates and to pay their expenses.

A Loyal Temperance Legion was organized at Bright, July 2, by Miss Jennie Ward, Dearborn County, Secretary L. T. L. Leader, Mrs. Emma Siefferman; Assistant, Mrs. Kate Henderson.

Mrs. Mary E. Woodard, of Fountain City, Ind., our new Corresponding Secretary, needs a file of this year's MESSAGE. If you can send her one or two copies, do so. By many sending, she will get a complete file, for which she will be most thankful.

Burlington Union held an L. T. L. Silver Medal Contest at the Christian Church. Had a good audience. Thirteen dollars and fifty cents door fee admittance. Miss Bulah Campbell won the medal. Mrs. Alice Hanson, our President, is pushing the contest work bravely, with the help of Mrs. Edith Johnson, Corresponding and Recording Secretary.

Bedford Union has just held its second gold medal contest in the last month, under the supervision of our efficient Superintendent, Mrs. Della Morgan, and Mrs. Emma Ramsey, Assistant. At the first contest Zeno Bailey was awarded the medal and Mabel Erwin at the second. We have four persons in our city who have been awarded gold medals.

Greencastle W. C. T. U. program, July 18, 1905, 2:30 p. m., Loyal Temperance Legion Day: Hostess, Mrs. Nannie Marquis. Devotional Exercises, Miss Evelyn Riley; General Survey of the Organization, Mrs. Sara Doddridge; History of the Local Chapter, Mrs. Dr. Etta Walker; Reading, Miss Veda Stevens, of India; Temperance Notes in Honolulu, Mrs. Marian Ostrom, recently in Hawaii; Violin Solo, Miss Rosa Marquis.

LaPorte held their assembly meeting at the Pine Lake Chautauqua, July 6. An interesting program was given. Dr. J. O. Ward, of Peru, delivered the chief address. His subject was Beer Drinking. It was full of truth and statistics. It interested every one present. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. H. H. Smith; First Vice-President, Mrs. K. C. Dorland; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Dr. J. O. Ward; Secretary, Mrs. M. L. Hall; Treasurer, Mrs. Seth Tease.

The Spiceland Sanitarium, at Spiceland, Henry County, Ind., is owned and under the personal management of our temperance friends and co-laborers, Dr. and Mrs. G. D. Bailly. In this beautifully located sanitarium, with our dear Mrs. Bailly, State Superintendent of Peace and Arbitration in charge, our white ribboners and their friends find rest and gain renewed energy and strength. The spring water is invigorating, the treatment beneficial, the surroundings and guests most congenial; only the best element of intelligent patronage is encouraged. The rates are reasonable.

Jay County W. C. T. U. annual picnic, July 4 at Red Key, was in every way a success. Good music by chorus, glee club and band. Good speaking by Elder M. W. Harkings, J. D. Bills and others. A grand Gold Medal contest was held in the evening in the large and beautiful M. E. Church, which was filled with an appreciative audience. The class was composed of four girls and two boys of splendid ability, Miss Alma Leavell winning the medal on selection, The Final Voice. The verdict was unanimous. Miss Peacock was a close second.

Bedford celebrated Flower Mission Day by holding a meeting in the parlor of the Presbyterian Church, which was beautifully decorated with cut flowers. The members (fifty in number) came with many cut flowers, with Scripture cards attached and our dear badge, the little bow of ribbon white, sent to the hospitals, sick and shut-in of our city. The daily newspapers were also remembered by our excellent Superintendent, Mrs. Chas. Carter. Sunday following we visited the poor asylum, where a program was rendered and flowers and confectionery given to the inmates under the direction of Mrs. Wm. Holcomb. At our usual Sunday service in the jail the L. T. L. distributed flowers and sang songs.

Boston Union, Allen County, has been doing excellent work, six silver and one gold medal contest within the year, held by Mrs. Carrie Martin, assisted by the president, Mrs. Flora Barnhart. A remonstrance circulated in May prevented three applicants from getting license. Two saloons still remain in the township. The subject of a sane Fourth of July was discussed and it was decided to have a picnic in Mr. Riley's beautiful grove near town, which he kindly donated for that purpose. The program was fine. Rev. Kuhn, of the Lutheran Church, delivered a very able address, followed by Rev. Sawyer, of Ft. Wayne. He is a forcible and convincing speaker. He held the audience in rapt attention. Rev. G. W. Martin, of the M. E. Church, having been attending a funeral, came late, but his brief remarks were greatly appreciated. The excellent recitations, especially that of Miss Bessie Fields, were much appreciated. Good music by the choir and band was interspersed in the program and enjoyed by everybody. After all expenses were paid the W. C. T. U. had a neat little balance in the treasury, yet they valued far more the addition of members and the uplifting influence, which makes for a worthier citizenship, a truer patriotism.

IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. OLMA HADLEY REEVE, a member of Plainfield Union and President of Hendricks County W. C. T. U., was called home July 10. Her family and relatives have the tenderest sympathy of the W. C. T. U.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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THE STATE CONVENTION

Will be held at Brazil, October 6, 7, 8 and 9. Great preparations are being made by the Brazil white ribboners and their friends to make this the best convention possible.

Consider that Brazil is not surrounded by unions, there being but one union in adjacent counties, except Vigo. Representative citizens are helping at Brazil. Pray that God will guide us in arrangements and plans for this convention. Every union in the State should send its full quota of delegates and pay their expenses. All County Presidents should attend at the expense of the county. All those whose expenses are paid should go in time for first meeting and remain until the close of the convention.

Mrs. Dora Keith, Clay County's beloved President, has been ill for many months, but is slowly improving. She is very hopeful regarding a great convention, splendidly entertained. The President of Brazil Union, Mrs. Ella C. Falls, is busy with great-hearted plans for the comfort, pleasure and profit of all. The chairwoman of the Entertainment Committee is Mrs. Florence Hadley and her assistant is Mrs. Anna Bard.

The delegates will be met at the trains and taken to convention church, unless they prefer to take a cab and go to their place of entertainment assigned on card and be ready for the evening's entertainment. Every delegate's name must be sent to the Chairwoman of Entertainment as early as September 25.

All County Presidents are members of the Convention. Each Local Union is entitled to the following number of delegates: The President, one delegate-at-large and one delegate for every 20 paid members. The County and Local Presidents can not be represented by others. The delegates should be elected in the union and then alternates elected, so if the delegate can not go, the alternate can go. The Local Secretary is expected to send the full list of delegates from the union to the Chairwoman of the Entertainment Committee and send it promptly. If for any reason she does not, the president of the union should attend to it.

The Chairwoman of Entertainment receives the lists, then she sends to each delegate a card giving the name and address of her hostess during the convention. Free lodging and breakfast will be given to each delegate. In case a delegate is prevented from going she must give her card of assignment to her alternate in time for her to arrange to go.

Herewith is a list of Chairwomen of Committees for the convention:

General Chairwoman, Mrs. Helen Sherfey; Entertainment, Mrs. Florence Hadley—Assistant, Mrs. Anna Bard; Lunch and Hotel Rates, Mrs. Orpha James; Sunday Services, Mrs. Mary Sampson; Railroads, Mrs. S. Payne; Press, Mrs. Zellar; Music, Mrs. Ida DeArmy; Finance, Mrs. Minnie Vanbibber; Ushers and Pages, Mrs. Maud King Hicks; Decoration, Mrs. Lizzie Crooks; Courtesies, Mrs. Elizabeth Ell; Bureau of Information, Mrs. Anna Menough; Checkroom, Miss Ruth Hanniwalt; Telegraph and Telephone, Mrs. Mollie O'Neal; Postmistress, Mrs. Ella Williamson; Reception at Trains, Mrs. Maggie Englehart; Cabs, Mrs. Annie Clingerman.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION STATE CONVENTION.

The eleventh annual convention of the Loyal Temperance Legion, an enthusiastic body of young people, was held at Acton Park, July 27 and 28. The program, consisting of many helpful and practical addresses, papers, songs, recitations, reports, etc., was carried out as printed, with but few exceptions. Mrs. Vayhinger, State President of the W. C. T. U., gave the graduating address to a class of forty-two which had been duly examined upon the regular L. T. L. diploma course of study. This class consisted of four from Wabash County, six from Lawrence County, twenty from Grant County, two from Clinton County, three from Howard County and seven from Putnam County. Sixteen post-graduate certificates were given. Seven to Grant County and nine to Howard County; eighteen Junior Certificates, seventeen to Grant County and one to Lawrence County.

The Legioners were disappointed because of the fact that Miss Wintringer, editor of the *Crusader Monthly*, was unable to be present, owing to sickness, and that Mrs. Metz was prevented from being at all the sessions for the same reason. Miss Addie A. Austin, of Chicago, represented the W. C. T. U. publishing house with temperance literature and took subscriptions for the L. T. L. paper, the *Crusader Monthly*, securing five hundred new subscribers from Indiana.

In her clear, forceful and pleasing manner, Mrs. Vayhinger gave an inspiring appeal for untiring patience and love, necessary for the accomplishment of effective work. It was full of hopefulness, emphasizing the importance and usefulness of a life broadened by education and training against intemperance.

Mr. Herbert C. Shattuck, who for five years has been president of the New York L. T. L., and is now traveling in the interests of the Legion, spoke on The Power of the Individual. He is a young man of rare ability, greatly interested in the cause and having a keen insight into spiritual things. He spoke of the influence of high ideals and noble living, to be gained from association with the young people of the Legion.

Mr. James C. Gipe, former State President, in his interesting and encouraging address on The Legion a Character Builder, paid beautiful tribute to Frances Willard, President Roosevelt, Governor Hanly and Mr. Shattuck. He also spoke of the inspiration the Legion had been to him in the formation of his own life and character.

Miss Edith Hillis, the President, in the annual address gave an outline of the entire work, showing what had been done and what still greater possibilities were before us. She took up each department separately and in her kind but firm way showed us what must be done, giving her reasons back of it all. That indescribable charm, due to her strong, sweet personality, her earnestness in the cause she so much loves and her joy in the hope of final victory, won all the Legioners to her immediately. Her beautiful words followed many from the convention, lifting them to higher ideals and nobler living. As a slight expression of their love and admiration for her they unanimously elected her as their State President for the fifth time.

Mrs. Brown, of Bedford, read a helpful paper on How We Do It, and also Helen Cain, of Kokomo, on Some Things an Aggressive Legion Can Do. Interesting recitations were given by Glen Saylor, of Frankfort; Will McKinley, of Bedford, and Clayton Mulford, of Moores Hill. Harry Walsh was valedictorian of the graduating class. Greetings were exchanged between Miss Wintringer and Mrs. Rice and the Illinois State Convention.

A cordial greeting was given the Legioners by Dr. Dashiell, president of the Acton Park Association and encouraging words of God-speed by Dr. Robinson, also of Acton Park. At the close of the Convention The handsome banner was awarded the South Marion Legion, which had the largest number of graduates. The West Marion Legion also received a set of books for having the largest number of paid dues. The election, which occurred Friday morning, resulted as follows:

President, Miss Edith Hillis, Kokomo; Vice-President, Mr. James Mix, Kokomo; Corresponding Secretary, Ritta Burnside, Marion; Recording Secretary, Erma D. Smith, Marion; Treasurer, Nathan Lenfesty, Marion; Musical Director, Estella Gard, Marion; State Organizer, Mrs. Ida Mix, Kokomo.

Superintendents of Departments—Work Among Colored People, Fred. Carter, Westfield; Parliamentary Usage, Edith Hillis, Kokomo; Medal Contests, Mollie McKiver, Marion; Temperance Literature, Monta Cooper, Wabash; The Press, Hattie Stockton, Kokomo; Narcotics, Harvey Miller, Kokomo; Anti-Gambling, Harry Walsh, Bedford; Systematic Giving, Mary Shamon, Marion; Junior L. T. L., Ethel Jones, Marion; Mercy, Rachael Dashiell, Moores Hill; Sabbath Observance, Ida M. Cunningham, Marion; Flower Mission, DeEtte Walker, Greencastle; Agent and Reporter for *Crusader Monthly*, Josephine Metivier, Indianapolis.

Under the direction of Mr. Shattuck, the Alumni Association was organized with the following officers: President, Harriet Stockton, Kokomo; Vice-President, Harry Walsh, Bedford; Corresponding Secretary, Josephine Metivier, Indianapolis; Recording Secretary, Gratia Bolen, Marion; Treasurer, Mrs. Ida Mix, Kokomo. A fine set of resolutions was adopted and three new departments organized, viz: Systematic Giving, The Press and Junior L. T. L.—Written by Miss DeEtte C. Walker, of Greencastle.

1905 W. C. T. U. NATIONAL CONVENTION WILL BE HELD AT LOS ANGELES, CAL., OCTOBER 25 TO NOVEMBER 2.

Notwithstanding the great travel of health and pleasure seekers to Southern California last of October and November, a one way lowest first-class fare has been secured for the round trip.

From Indianapolis and vicinity to Los Angeles and San Francisco and return, without going north of San Francisco, the fare will be about \$66.50, with only \$12.50 additional to those who desire to go north from San Francisco to Portland, Oregon, a distance of 1,192 miles, either over the beautiful Shasta route or by ocean steamer. From Portland to Salt Lake City, covering 965 miles of travel along the great Columbia river and across the State of Idaho. While this \$12.50 side trip to Portland is optional, the small additional expense will be an inducement to see this wonderful country.

The Indiana delegates and visitors will go as a party in a special sleeper, leaving Indianapolis October

18, making a short stop at Colorado Springs, and spending Sunday, October 22, at Salt Lake City, arriving in Los Angeles in time to take some of the many interesting side trips before the opening of the convention.

The Indiana party will go via the following lines: From Indianapolis, the Big Four to St. Louis; Missouri Pacific to Colorado Springs and Pueblo; Denver and Rio Grande to Salt Lake City; San Pedro, Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railway to Los Angeles. This last named road crosses an entirely new section of country and shortens by twenty-four hours the journey from here to Los Angeles. From Los Angeles, returning via the Coast and Valley line of the Southern Pacific road to San Francisco, where several days will be spent in this metropolis of the Pacific coast. From San Francisco those who may take the Northern California and Oregon trip will go north to Portland over the Southern Pacific road, and from Portland southeastward over the Oregon Railway and Navigation Co. line and Oregon Short Line to Salt Lake City. From San Francisco those who do not make the Northern California and Oregon trip will go directly eastward to Salt Lake City over that branch of the Southern Pacific road. From Salt Lake City the Denver and Rio Grande to Denver, Missouri Pacific to Kansas City, Chicago and Great Western to Chicago, and the Big Four from Chicago to Indianapolis. Stop over privileges granted without extra expense at Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo and all points west of Denver. Members of our party will no doubt desire to make many stops at points in the West. Free chair cars on the Missouri Pacific and Chicago and Great Western from Denver to Chicago. All tickets are good to return from any point west of Denver or from Denver as late as November 30.

Our sleeper rate from Indianapolis to Los Angeles, including the stops at Colorado Springs and Salt Lake City (where we will use the sleeper instead of a hotel) will be \$8.50 for a berth; two people in a berth, costing each \$4.50.

All who join our party are requested to bring lunch and those who have them, to bring an alcohol burner; small tables and other conveniences are provided in the car, so that we may enjoy the journey most thoroughly. Arrange to make this trip yourself and invite your friends to join our party.

For further information concerning the trip, and for sleeper reservation, write to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.

HADLEY SCHOOL.

Let us rejoice together, dear white ribboners. I am only too glad to give you this little word of encouragement. One of our first plans was to get our school free of debt and we have worked along that line with all the zeal possible and we are going to ask just this one more little effort on your part to help us carry out our plans.

Now if every Union which has not held a contest would give us \$3.00, or if every Union in the State would send us \$1.00 each, we could more than pay all we owe. As we now stand, we are \$186.85 in debt on the Ridgeway note and owe a small sum to our present help, but if we can have this one more effort on the part of our loyal sisters we can go to the State Convention with glad hearts.

In this work, as in all other work, we have had some who have become discouraged, but praise the Lord for the faithful. They are going to see us anchored safe on dry land, for it is in sight. There are better days for the Hadley School. Things are shaping up so that we will have an institution that we will all be proud of, and I am sure that you will want to come in on this, the last call, and help a little. I wish I could see and have a talk with every reader of the MESSAGE. I know I could make you understand how hard we have worked and how anxious we have been for the future of the School and you would see the need of this last effort before our convention. The time is short and whatever you do you must do quickly. I am sure you will feel just as badly as we if you let the time pass and neglect to raise this small sum and we will have to start in another year in debt.

Let each one of us say that this can be raised and paid. Then let us see to it that we never again go in debt unless we know just where the money is coming from with which to repay it.

Hoping to hear a word of encouragement from every union in the State, backed up with a little cash, I am yours for the Hadley Industrial School out of debt, then filled with worthy girls. LIZZIE C. HANN.

REPORT ON THE ONE THOUSAND DOLLAR FUND.

Previously reported.....	\$534.56
Deer Creek Union.....	5.00
Eliza A. Cook, Bluffton.....	1.00
Total	\$540.56

MATTHE E. H. CHANDLER.

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State W. C. T. U. Convention, Brazil, October 6 to 9. Brazil is situated on the Vandalia R. R., west of Indianapolis, between Greencastle and Terre Haute.

National W. C. T. U. Convention, Los Angeles, Cal., October 27 to November 1.

Invite your ministers to attend the Brazil Convention. Invite the teachers to attend the Brazil Convention.

Pray earnestly that this may be a great convention in interest and members; especially that the power of God may be manifested in the progress and influence.

Visitors can secure hotel and boarding rates by applying to chairwoman of that committee—see convention list of Brazil ladies who serve as chairwomen of committees.

The Brazil Convention will close one day sooner than former State conventions. Business will begin promptly Friday morning and every delegate is expected to be in her place at opening roll call.

Delegates, go to Brazil with a God bless you for every other delegate; let there be sweetest comradeship. We need deepest conviction, entire consecration and complete concentration of intellectual powers in order to accomplish the great work of the convention.

Delegates and visitors to the State W. C. T. U. Convention should arrive at Brazil on Thursday afternoon early enough for the great reception to be given at night by Superintendent Carpenter and the officers and teachers of the fourth largest Sunday School in Methodism in the world.

County Presidents, please bring with you to Brazil a complete directory of your county. Have it plainly and carefully written—type-written is best. Names and addresses of county officers and superintendents; names of Local Unions, with names and addresses of their officers.

To Brazil it means great work, loyal service and unlimited energy to entertain so large a convention. What they most desire is that a great spiritual wave may sweep their county as the result of this convention of Godly women. May God help each person in attendance to be wise and strong! Every delegate should come praying for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Sunday, October 8, 2:15 P. M.—To the delegates of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of the State of Indiana: Welcome to our Sunday school services. Special program will be prepared for the day. Short talks from visiting delegates. Miss Emily Squier will recite, and a beautiful souvenir program, appropriate for the day and occasion, will be presented to each delegate and member of the school attending.

All delegates to the State Convention are expected to arrive in Brazil on the afternoon of October 5. A great reception will be tendered the delegates and visitors in the auditorium of the First M. E. Church on that evening by Mr. W. E. Carpenter, Superintendent of the Sunday School, and his co-laborers. This Sunday School is the fourth largest in Methodism in the whole world—numbers 2,247. Every white ribboner should plan to be present.

Thursday evening, October 5, 7:30 P. M., the officers and teachers of the First Methodist Sunday School, of Brazil, Indiana, will tender a reception to the visiting delegates of the State Convention and to the members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, in the auditorium of the church, at which time Miss Emily Squier, of Indianapolis, will give a recital on Temperance and Prohibition, interspersed with instrumental and vocal music. Admission by tickets.

Parents, if you desire that your young people become interested in temperance work, reflect upon conditions. Perhaps in your community you have only a small minority of outspoken Prohibitionists and W. C. T. U. members. Your young people are associating with those who sometimes ridicule the earnestness or enthusiasm of the minority, or if not, they pity and shake their heads, saying, "It can never be done." If you will take the young son or daughter with you

to the State or National W. C. T. U. Convention, where things are said and done by most interesting people, the results will be satisfactory to you. Young people catch the spirit and enthusiasm of our conventions. Invite friends with sons or daughters, scarcely in their teens, to attend the Conventions at Brazil and Los Angeles. Boarding rates are always made reasonable to convention visitors. The short time out of school will be giving an opportunity for better things than a few days' text-book learning.

SUPERINTENDENTS.

Every person who is honored by being made a superintendent of a department in any union or county organization of the W. C. T. U. should send her report containing facts and figures to her next higher superintendent promptly. This will be done by some persons without being urged; others always are late. Why is it that women of ability, women of splendid education and opportunity, will attend to other things before they attend to the little details which in the aggregate amount to so much?

PRESS REPORTERS.

Appoint the young women to write for the local papers and for the MESSAGE and Union Signal. It will be fine training for them; usually young people are quick to learn. To be able to write well and concisely an item for the paper is something of which to be proud. Read in this issue the report of the Loyal Temperance Legion Convention, written by De Ette Walker, a Miss of about 16 years of age. Victory will come to our cause when we have the intelligent, energetic efforts of the young people, such as are enlisted in our Loyal Temperance Legion.

ANTI-NARCOTIC DEPARTMENT.

Mrs. Ingalls, National Superintendent of this Department, has requested that all State reports be sent her before October 1, as the National Convention will be held early and her books will therefore be closed earlier than usual. I would be very glad to receive reports of the work I know has been done during this year. Other States are expecting to see a good report from a start when so much has been accomplished. If their expectations are not realized they will naturally think the W. C. T. U. has no assistance, which is not the truth, as we all know. Please send report of all work done. I would advise mothers, whose homes are being contaminated by packages of cigarette paper sent to husbands and sons through the United States mail, to find who manufactures the brand of tobacco advertised on these papers, then write to this firm, forbidding them to send such articles into the home in the future. It would be well to have proof that this letter had been written.

MRS. ELIZABETH SMITH,
1917 Highland Place, Indianapolis. State Sup't.

FRANCHISE DEPARTMENT.

Please hurry your reports in as soon as possible, that they may be forwarded to our National Superintendent, whose home is now in Denver. My recreation trip has hindered me from getting the blanks off early as I hoped, but if I fail to reach any of you, please fill this out and add anything else that will be helpful. State workers and lecturers will please report any work for our department.

LAURA M. THOMSON.

1. How many Franchise articles published in local papers since last report
2. How many petitions circulated How many names secured
3. How many lectures Contests Debates Parlor meetings
6. Have you any suggestions to make regarding the work

NOTE—Please add items of interest not included in the above questions

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

In view of the fact that intemperance is a blighting and ruining curse which impedes the progress of the Kingdom of Christ and that the liquor problem will be solved by the rising and coming generations, we earnestly ask that you will co-operate in the movement to make the Sunday School a weighty factor in the temperance reform. To this end we recommend: Supplemental Temperance Lessons. In connection with the quarterly temperance lesson, let a few moments be given to the study of temperance from an ethical and scientific standpoint. An excellent course of supplemental lessons is now prepared for the Primary, Junior, Intermediate and Senior Grades.

Pledge Signing. Circulate the temperance pledge on every temperance Sunday. Keep a record of pledge signers. Form and display a Sunday School or patriotic temperance pledge chain. Emphasize the duty of total abstinence.

Temperance Department. International Sunday School leaders recommend that every Sunday School adopt the Temperance department. Elect a superintendent or secretary who will have charge of all the temperance work of the Sunday School. Secure plans of work and suggestions now in print and sent out by the Sunday School Temperance Bureau.

The Sunday School Temperance Army. Every Sunday School should be organized as a temperance society. The Sunday School Temperance Army is a new and effective plan. The Sunday School Union of the M. E. Church recommends the White Shield League.

Teach patriotism and christian citizenship. In accordance with the recommendation of the International Sunday School Association, let the subject of patriotism and christian citizenship be combined with that of temperance. Observe the Sunday first previous to the Fourth of July as Patriotic Sunday. Observe the fourth Sunday of November as World's Temperance Sunday.

Provide temperance helps for your Sunday School. For information and all kinds of temperance helps for Sunday workers, including pledge cards (except the red, white and blue pledge cards, which I keep on hand at Upland, Ind.) etc., send to the Sunday School Temperance Bureau, 115 Walnut street, Riverside, California.

LIDA OUTLAND,
Upland, Ind. State Superintendent.
Don't forget that the 17th of September is the last Temperance Sunday of this W. C. T. U. year. Report immediately thereafter, that it may go in with this year's work.

THE PRESS.

In sending out my blank reports for the last half of the year, I did so with the earnest desire and prayer that they might each one be returned to me, not later than September 15, well filled, and that my report at the State convention may show a decided gain over last year's work in this very important department. Please see to it, dear sisters, that the reports are mailed to me in good time, for I must have them to complete my report ready to send to our Recording Secretary several days before the time for State convention.

Converse, Ind.

LAURA G. CAMMACK.

DEPARTMENT OF SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION—LOCAL REPORT BLANK.

- Name of Local Union..... Name of County.....
Name of Local Supt Address.....
Name of Co. Supt..... Address.....
1. No. subscribers to *Physiology Journal*
2. No. schools in which authorized series of *Physiology* are used 3. No. institutes in which this subject has been taught..... 4. No. lectures on scientific temperance..... 5. No. and name of books placed in public school libraries or given to teachers 6. No. of essays on scientific temperance by public school pupils 7. No. meetings in which this subject has been a feature..... 8. No. of local or county prizes offered..... 9. No. articles on this subject sent to the press..... 10. Give name and amount of literature on scientific temperance distributed..... 11. Is the Scientific Temperance Instruction Law enforced in your locality..... 12. Report any new or original plans you may have tried during the year..... 13. How many copies of the Reply distributed 14. How many copies of the program distributed 15. How many entertainments given..... 16. How much money used in the work.

NOTE—Please add items of interest not included in the above questions.

MATTIE O. CAMMACK GIBSON,
Superintendent.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP.

MY DEAR COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS—Ere this message reaches you I hope to have in your hands the report blanks, but right now is the time to begin to think of the work you have done up to this time and the work you expect to do before the State Convention. I hope you have had sermons and lectures, delivered contests, held out-door meetings on this topic and in many ways brought this department before the people. Christian Citizenship stands for loyalty to Christ and the flag, for the enforcement of law and for everything that goes to make a righteous nation. Where there is no superintendent of this department in counties, I will send report blank to county president of same and hope, dear sister, to get report of much work done in your county in this department. In closing, I again urge report, so we may come up to the State Convention feeling we have not been idlers.

GERTRUDE FULTON,
Portland, Ind. State Superintendent.

ITINERARY OF STATE LECTURER.

DEAR SISTERS—When I last wrote you I was in Ohio trying to help our folks over there defeat Governor Herrick and put a clean prohibition governor at the head of that great State. July 3, I visited the new Union at Oakridge, Grant County, where men and women are never too busy to plan a prohibition rally. July 4, in Bluffton, our own Mrs. Walmer met me and drove me to the grove near by, where Wells County citizens had gathered for a glorious celebration. Rev. Shouse gave a thrilling patriotic address. The young people rendered some fine prohibition songs and recitations and I did my best to convince the people that we can never win our fight for home protection and law enforcement until women are armed with the ballot. Wells County hopes to have 500 W. C. T. U. women at the close of this year. No woman in our ranks has done more for her county than Josephine Walmer has done for Wells County and her people appreciate her efforts. July 12 we had an L. T. L. Cradle Roll Contest in Liberty, with a class of 15 babies under 6 years old. The church was crowded to the street. On Saturday, July 22, we held our annual County Oratorical Contest and Temperance Rally. Every public school in the county was represented by one speaker selected from

each township. Col. George W. Bain was with us also and we gave the County a meeting that would be creditable for a National Convention. I feel that the contest work should be our major work next year, for we have no other department that brings such speedy results. July 24, at Bethany Park, Dr. and Mrs. Hall planned one of the greatest prohibition rallies ever held in the State. Revs. Crim, Orcutt, Harkins, Allen and Croft, and a score of other able ministers were present and our champions, Felix T. McWhirter and Dr. Hall, were both at their best and the Loughs are a whole crowd by themselves and our new corresponding secretary, Miss Mary Woodard, of Earlham, was there and made a fine speech and conducted a Gold Medal Contest. Carrie Nation was there and I don't know what to tell you of her. You must hear her for yourself. She stands alone in her peculiar methods and yet I do believe she is unreservedly in God's hands, to be used as a great smasher of vice and iniquity. I have more faith in men than she and I believe she has more faith in God than any of us. I go to Bloomington to deliver three lectures for Friends of Indiana Yearly Meeting. They endorse our principles and when I meet you at the State Convention I trust that I may have a favorable report from the funds left in my County for Hadley Industrial School.

ELIZABETH T. STANLEY.

P.S. I lost my sketch book this month and write this as it occurs to me. If I have left out any Union visited, it is only a defect of memory. I expect to spend two weeks of August with my dear old mother in the mountains of eastern Tennessee.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

As you will see by the report in this issue of the MESSAGE, Indiana's eleventh annual convention of the Loyal Temperance Legion was very successful and has already resulted in increased earnestness for the work. It was the universal opinion of the executive committee that we should have a printed report of this convention, that those not in attendance and that you, dear mothers in this cause, should know what we are doing. The matter was left with a committee composed of the general officers, myself chairman, and now I come to you for some assistance. It will cost us more dollars than we have in sight to have this report printed and we must have the report. I appeal to you for advertising for the pages of this book. The copies of this report will be in the homes of your city and your county, and your own local dealers will receive as much benefit from advertising in our report as in some of the local papers. Full particulars regarding charges may be secured from me. Do not let this matter slip, thinking some one else will respond, as you know everybody's business is nobody's business and the need is so great. Won't you please respond promptly and liberally? Visit your merchants, hotel proprietors and any one else you may choose and ask them for an advertisement for this purpose. This is for you, dear sister, who may read these lines. We must keep our work before the people, and whom can we help to better advantage than our young people, for to them you must look for the future of our work. Please let me hear from you soon.

Since last report I have received in money—Fairmount Union, \$5.00; Guilford Union and Bright Union, \$6.00; Columbus Union, \$2.00, and Bloomington Union, \$2.00. The Legioners at the Convention all joined me in appreciation of these donations. They have made possible advance work we never could have undertaken without them. If any one sees this and cares to add to this fund, it will be very gratefully received.

EDITH HILLIS,
President Ind. L. T. L.
Kokomo.

TRI-STATE W. C. T. U. ASSEMBLY, ISLAND PARK, IND.

The W. C. T. U. department work was carried on during the entire Chautauqua Assembly of three weeks at Island Park. The work was a part of the Chautauqua course and was in charge of Mrs. McWhirter, President. The Department Superintendents in charge as follows: Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. McWhirter and Mrs. Vayhinger; Literature Booth, Mrs. Mary E. Balch, Louisville, Ky.; Kindergarten, Miss Ruth Ransome, Chicago; Physical Culture and Expression, Mrs. Maude Baker Cathcart, Peru, Ind.; Oratorical Contests, Mrs. Mary Evelyn Evertson, Asbury College, Wilmore, Ky.; Pianist and Press Reporter, Miss Laura Kindig, Huntington, Ind.

Seven Mothers' Meetings held at W. C. T. U. cottage, with splendid attendance and interest.

Literature Booth open every day except Sunday. Many thousands of pages of literature sold and given away; 246 visitors registered.

The Kindergarten was held twenty mornings in Chautauqua hall. Great interest; grown up visitors every day.

Physical Culture classes held every day, except Sunday, in Physical Culture hall.

A class of representative young people was secured and trained for an oratorical contest.

The entire corps of workers lived at the W. C. T. U. cottage. All were busily occupied in the mornings and many times in the afternoon. When the work was done the time was spent attending the attractions furnished by the Assembly in the auditorium, or in rowing, bathing or fishing in the beautiful sylvan lake.

The Assembly program this year was excellent. During the past year the Assembly came under the

control of the National Association of Local Preachers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, with a local board of management with Dr. Stemen, of Ft. Wayne, as President, and the popular Assemblyman, Rev. J. F. Snyder, of La Grange, continued as Secretary.

Free Assembly tickets were given to all our workers.

On the last Sunday afternoon a temperance rally was announced, with Rev. Aaron Worth, speaker. He could not be present and the management pressed into service Mr. F. T. McWhirter, who was on the grounds. He made a good address, after a most excellent opening speech by Mrs. Vayhinger. Audience large.

The W. C. T. U. had charge of the program of one afternoon and one entire day. The afternoon program was a practical illustration of the work of three departments, as conducted during the Chautauqua.

Mrs. McWhirter, the President, explained the plan of organization and the far-reaching influence of the department work, then in detail spoke of the Oratorical Contest department and introduced Mrs. Evertson, who came upon the platform with a class of six contestants for a silver medal. Mr. Alden Gil



W. DALE CARTWRIGHT,
Winner of the Diamond Medal.

liam, of West Virginia, a student of Taylor University, won the medal. In his "thank-you" speech he pledged his life effort against the liquor traffic as Mrs. Evertson and her class left the platform.

The President spoke of the Physical Culture department and said that W. C. T. U. women never grow old; regardless of years, they were young in heart and interest.

Mrs. Maud Baker Cathcart then came upon the platform with a class of girls, who gave a "white ribbon" drill, greatly to the delight of all. Miss Ransome came with her entire kindergarten, carrying well filled flower baskets, the girls wearing gay colored "Kate Greenway" paper bonnets. Amidst great applause they were seated and showed their temperance training by recitations and songs. Their games were interesting. The kindergarten and her pupils were much praised, the entire afternoon program lasting one hour and a half. After the closing prayer by Prof. J. F. Kinsey many were the words of surprise and commendation from the great audience. One of the most prominent men on the grounds said, "this is an eye-opener to me."

The all day program began the next morning at 9:30 o'clock, with a largely attended conference, and lasted until 11:00, when Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, our State President, made an eloquent, logical and convincing address.

At 2:30 p. m. a great audience assembled to hear the platform queen, Mrs. Florence D. Richards, National W. C. T. U. Lecturer, and for more than one hour the people sat listening to this splendid speaker.

At 8:00 the auditorium was packed to hear the Oratorical Contest for a diamond medal. Six young men speakers had been advertised to speak—two each from three States: Michigan, Ohio and Indiana. One Indiana man failed to arrive. Mrs. E. L. Calkins, President of Michigan W. C. T. U., honored us by her presence and loyalty. She made a short address, in which she entertainingly and forcefully presented facts and measured our responsibility, greatly to the interest and delight of the vast audience.

The contestants were all fine looking young men—one was a little man, aged 14, who held his own quite well. All speeches were excellent; intense interest prevailed; 5,000 people in the audience. The medal was awarded to Mr. W. Dale Cartwright, of Portland, Ind. The judges were—Mr. M. L. Wilkinson, Cleveland, Ohio; Mr. W. M. Gardner, Sturgis, Mich., and Mr. Than Stockbridge, La Grange, Ind. The contestants were, Michigan—Mr. Irwin S. Hanna, Mr. Lester G. Albertson; Ohio—Mr. Merle Waggoner, Mr. Charles W. Terrell; Indiana—Mr. W. Dale Cartwright.

When the speakers were introduced by name, each was greeted with great applause, especially Mr. Hanna, of Michigan, who received an ovation. Some of these Prohibition orators will no doubt, in another decade or two, represent our cause in the legislative halls of the State and nation.

The attendance of our temperance people was most gratifying. Our friends, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Eckhart, were prevented from coming, so they sent us a bank note of nice proportions to help in our expenses. The officers and members of the Assembly Board were much pleased with our work and strong words of commendation were heard everywhere.

STATE SUPERINTENDENTS.

It has been decided by the program committee for the State Convention to hear our report at the same time as last year, Saturday morning. I want to suggest that every superintendent of a State department be present at that time and have your report so condensed as to give in the allotted time given each one (10 minutes.) Let us work to make this the most interesting session of the convention.

GERTRUDE FULTON,
President of Board of State Superintendents.

BRIEF NOTES.

Bluffton Frances Willard Union gave an ice cream social in the park. They sold ten gallons of ice cream and cleared \$7.50. They had to turn people away because no more ice cream could be bought in town.

Mrs. D. A. Walmer, President of Wells County, gave a short talk in our Bluffton Union. Every member was much pleased with her talk and invited her back. We have gained one new member and have the promise of two more.

Notice to Indiana Legioners: Any one desiring a picture of the Acton Park Convention, please send ten cents, coin or stamps, to Miss Monta Cooper, Wabash, Ind.

Keystone Union held a Gold Medal contest, with eight contestants—Winner, Miss Maggie Wooten. Door receipts, \$20.10.

On July 12, while attending a W. C. T. U. meeting, Mrs. Alice Stout, of Oak Chapel Union, a charter member and Secretary, was stricken with heart-failure and died in a few minutes—a noble woman and loved by all who knew her. She left a husband and one son and a host of friends to mourn her departure.

The Carmel Union met recently at the home of Mrs. Mary Kemp. Mrs. Drucilla Wilson read a paper urging united Christian effort and reliance on the promises of God, found in the Bible. The paper was much appreciated. Refreshments were served on the lawn and an hour spent in social enjoyment.

For County Conventions—For sale, to help in securing new members—W. C. T. U. membership pledge cards, membership pledge envelopes and flower mission text cards, at 15 cents per hundred. Apply to Mrs. McWhirter, 2312 College avenue, Indianapolis.

Mrs. Unger, of Wabash County, writes: Farmers' Union met with our Flower Mission Superintendent, Mrs. Sallie Ridenour, August 9. Mrs. Herst read a paper on Flower Missions, Mrs. Malotte told us what Miss Willard defined as our part of the Flower Mission work and Mrs. Cooper read a paper on Woman's Suffrage. Interesting discussions followed the reading of the papers. Mrs. Cooper gave a report of the L. T. L. Convention, which was interesting and encouraging. After adjournment, splendid refreshments were served.

Burlington Union held a Gold Medal contest at Sharon, in Baptist Church; receipts, \$6.60. Mr. Mark James won the medal. This Union also held a Gold Medal contest at Cutler; receipts, \$11.20. Miss Lucy Tapp won the medal. Interest good at both places. Our Union is in a prospering condition. At our last meeting we made our President, Mrs. Alice Hanson, a life member. We have two or three Silver Medal contests on hand, to be held in the near future—dates not made yet.

Elkhart and Goshen Unions held a meeting, August 1, at Island Park, Elkhart, with a good program. Goshen responded to the address of welcome and furnished an interesting paper on Franchise. Mrs. Kate W. Holler, of South Bend, made an excellent short address on The Relation of the Drink Habit to Sabbath Observance. Rev. Denham spoke on Purity in the Home. His address was well received. This being Red-Letter Day—birthday of Mother Wallace and Lady Henry Somerset—appropriate mention was made. At the close of the program a sumptuous basket dinner was enjoyed.

The Indianapolis Frances Willard Union held a memorial service for their former president, Mrs. Ada B. Leck, August 8, in the home of Mrs. Getman. Mrs. E. G. Cornelius opened the meeting with prayer and then gave a comforting talk to the members, who had so loved Mrs. Leck and who feel her loss so greatly. She spoke of the sweetness and beauty of her life and character and of her great value to the work. Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, State Superintendent of Anti-Narcotics, spoke of Mrs. Leck's love for the Union and of the comfort, love and loyalty it meant to her during her illness. Her vacant chair was decorated with lilies and white ribbon. Every member present gave a short tribute to Mrs. Leck's memory and pledged anew their consecration to the cause so dear to the heart of their loved president.

Warren Union is actively at work. The Franchise subject has been given special attention. In order to help with the suppression of the liquor business, this Union is educating its members along civic lines.

To Los Angeles—Take some young person with you. It is a wonderful thing for a young person to make a trip nearly across the continent and to attend a great National Convention of the best informed women on civic and governmental affairs in the whole world. To be in an audience of from four to five thousand people and listen to the representative speakers of America, both men and women, on all lines of philanthropy and reform, means much. No young person with soul can have experiences of this kind for about a week without deepest impressions. To witness the zeal, understand the sacrifice and to feel the most intense enthusiasm manifested for the home against the saloon at such a convention will leave an impression upon a young mind that can never be explained.

Maxinkuckee Assembly—W. C. T. U. Day.—The weather was perfect at this delightful summer resort. The management, as usual, was kind and generous. There were present members from various parts of the State. Mrs. Isabel Goodacre, of Flora, Ind., presided. Excellent papers were read by Mrs. Caroline Fassnacht and Mrs. Jennie Sharpless, of South Bend, and Mrs. Dora Parker, of Culver. Miss Mass, of Flora, sang *Some Glad Day*. Prof. Huston very generously assisted in the music. Twenty joined the Union. Mrs. Parker, treasurer, reported \$19.00 paid on the tent which the Assembly Union has bought. The officers elected for the coming year were: President, Mrs. I. Goodacre, Flora, Ind.; Vice-President, Mrs. Jennie Sharpless, South Bend; Secretary, Mrs. A. R. Shedd, Argos; Treasurer, Mrs. Dora Parker, Culver. We hope next year to do great things at Maxinkuckee.

The Benton County W. C. T. U. met in the M. E. Church at Boswell, Mrs. Amanda Smith, County President, in the chair. The first service was a meeting of prayer and testimony—Leader, Mrs. Haughton, State Evangelist. Praise service by Mrs. Petree, of Oxford. Address of welcome, Mrs. E. L. Smith. How to gain members and subscriptions to our periodicals, Mrs. Amanda Smith, followed by an earnest appeal for the support of our papers by Mrs. Anna Eberly, of Boswell. A carefully prepared paper by Mrs. Wann, of Oxford, was read: Subject—How can the young people in High Schools and Colleges be enlisted in the Temperance Reform? Discussion, led by Mrs. Barnes, of Boswell. Discussion on cigarette and tobacco laws of Indiana, led by Mrs. Haughton. History and meaning of your badge, by Mrs. Mosher, of Otterbein, enlisted much interest. Mothers' meetings and purity were discussed with animation. Would the ballot in the hands of women tend to purify and reform in government? was ably presented by Rev. McCloud. Scientific Temperance Instruction, by Mrs. Petree. The first evening Mrs. Elizabeth Haughton made the address to a good audience; the second evening Mrs. E. L. Smith held a Silver Medal contest, with seven contestants. Miss Phoebe Gwinn, of Oxford, won the medal. Special music by the Boswell choir and a solo by Dona Robbins, of Oxford, were much liked. The consecration meeting was led by Miss Phoebe Kolb, of Oxford, County Evangelistic Superintendent.

Marion County News Items—On the evening of June 28, in Indianapolis, one of the most brilliant weddings of the season was solemnized. Miss Ethel Tyree McWhirter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Felix McWhirter, and Mr. John Parker Wise were married in the Central Avenue Methodist Church, in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Worth M. Tippy. The altar was banked with palms and ferns. Miss Myrl Shelborne presided at the organ, giving a program of wedding music as the guests assembled. Mrs. Dwight Ritter sang *Because God Made You Mine* just before the wedding march announced the coming of the bridal party. The ushers, Felix T. McWhirter, Jr., Foster Shirley, Albert Preston, of Greencastle, and Albert Harry McFarlan, of Connersville, marched down the south aisle and the bridesmaids marched down the north aisle and met them at the altar. The bridesmaids were Miss Susie McWhirter, Miss Minnie McWhirter, of Morristown, Tenn., Miss Alma John, of Greencastle, and Miss Daisy Haughton, of Vincennes, who were gowned in pink and carried pink sweet peas. Miss Luella McWhirter, gowned in pink and white net and carrying pink and white sweet peas, walked alone and was followed by the children, William Van Arsdal, Jr., and Helen Tippy, who carried baskets of sweet peas, which they scattered before the bride and Master Chester Miller, of Chicago, who carried the wedding ring in a long stemmed calla lily. The bride was with her father. She was very beautiful in white chiffon, with veil. Her only ornaments were a diamond locket, the wedding gift, and a bouquet of white valley lilies. She was met at the altar by Mr. Wise and his best man, Mr. Russell Wise, of Denver, Col.

Mr. and Mrs. Wise are graduates of DePauw and many college friends were guests at the wedding and the reception which followed in the home, which was beautifully decorated with palms, ferns and sweet peas. Many guests from other States were present and the white ribbon was very prominent. The wedding gifts were very beautiful and filled one room.

After their trip to the lakes and down the Hudson river, Mr. and Mrs. Wise are now at home in Metchen Park, New Jersey. Mr. Wise has just graduated from Columbia Law School, of New York, where he held the position of private secretary to the Dean. A letter from the bride to Central Union, of which she was a loved member, tells of her happiness in her new home and of her intention to join the nearest W. C. T. U., also of her determination to keep as long as she lives her little bow of white ribbon, given her by Central Union to wear upon her wedding gown. Prayers for the happiness of this dear girl are filled not only with love for herself, but for her mother, who has served so long and so faithfully in W. C. T. U. ranks.

Marion County W. C. T. U. united with the Prohibition Alliance in observing the Fourth of July in a reasonable manner at Acton Park. A gold medal oratorical contest was given under the auspices of Miss Carrie Quinn. Rev. Stone, of the English Lutheran Church, in Indianapolis, gave the principal address. He was followed by Hon. Charles Lemon and others. The day was much enjoyed by the large crowd present.

Last August, Mapleton Union, in Indianapolis, of which Mrs. Amanda Whitson is president, gave a Children's Day picnic in the beautiful home of Mr. Deitz. The Cigarette Leagues and L. T. L. of Marion County were invited. Other guests were the officers and children from the Board of Children's Guardians in Irvington. The happiness of these unfortunate children was perfect and very pathetic. This year the hostess for Children's Day will be Mrs. Mary Clark, Forty-Eighth St. and Central Ave., and the Union has invited the children from the Orphan's Home to enjoy the afternoon with them. A splendid program has been prepared and a very pleasant and profitable day is expected.

Frances Willard Union, Indianapolis, held an ice cream social, Friday, July 21, in the home of Mrs. William Blodgett, the proceeds of which will be given to Hadley Industrial School. The program consisted of instrumental and vocal solos, recitations and a talk by Mrs. L. E. Scott, a crusader, who is still actively engaged in W. C. T. U. department work. Mrs. Scott is Marion County's Superintendent of Jail and Prison Work. Many have been saved through her influence. Mrs. Scott is very anxious that more work for the reformation of unfortunate girls and women should be done by our organization in the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sedwick are rejoicing in the birth of a little daughter, Ruth Johnson Sedwick. Miss Ruth is expecting to visit the State W. C. T. U. Convention, where she will be formally admitted to the ranks of the W. C. T. U. by her aunt, Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, our beloved State President.

North-East Union, Mrs. Nina Bingham, President, held a Mother's Meeting in the home of Mrs. Cora Arnold, July 14. Mrs. Taylor presided in the absence of the president. Mrs. L. D. B. Cowan, County Superintendent of Purity in Literature and Art, read the State law in regard to obscene and pernicious literature and pictures. The discussion which followed was of much benefit to the mothers present. This Union is very proud of the three crusaders in its ranks and receives much help from their experience. E. G. SMITH.

Mapleton Union, in Indianapolis, held the annual Children's Day picnic in the home of Mrs. Mary Clark, Forty-Eighth St. and Central Ave. Children from Mapleton, North Park Methodist and Christian Sunday Schools gave a musical and literary program, which was much appreciated. Rev. W. Tinsley led the devotional exercises and spoke of his interest in temperance. Mrs. E. G. Smith, State Superintendent of Narcotics, read a paper on the Cigarette Habit; an animated discussion of this habit and the lack of law enforcement followed. Much indignation was expressed by women present who had received packages of cigarette paper by mail, addressed to husbands and sons. Mrs. Frances Metz, County L. T. L. Secretary, spoke at length on the object and work of the L. T. L. and urged the young people present to enter this work. The plan to entertain the children from the Orphan's Home was frustrated, as the Home was in scarlet fever quarantine. Cream and cake had been provided for the children and much regret was expressed that they were deprived of a day in this beautiful country home. Mrs. Amanda Whitson, President of this Union, has expressed her intention to resign, as she will spend the fall and winter months in California. The members are much depressed over the outlook, as Mrs. Whitson's ability is appreciated and she is also very dearly loved by her co-workers in the Union. The County and State will join Mapleton Union in this feeling of regret.

Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, National Treasurer, came to Indianapolis, July 26, to attend the funeral of her loved friend, Mrs. Ada B. Leck. She assisted Rev. Charles Smith in the ceremonies. Her sympathy and assistance was much appreciated by the bereaved family. Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, State President, through delay of mail, was unable to be present.

W. C. T. U. Day, July 26, at Acton Park Assembly, did not have the attendance expected, though a good program was given both afternoon and evening, most W. C. T. U. women in the county desiring to pay their last respects to their friend and co-worker, Mrs. Leck, who was laid to rest on that day. New

officers for the coming year were elected and plans for the improvement of the cottage were discussed during the morning session. The Conservatory of Music furnished a musical program in the evening at the solicitation of Mrs. Frances Metz, Board President.

The L. T. L. Convention, held in Acton Park, July 27 and 28, was considered a success. The annual address of the President, Miss Edith Hillis, would have been creditable in a woman three times her age and experience. Mrs. H. W. Brand, Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, Miss Adide Austin and Mr. Shattack, L. T. L. President, from New York, were guests of honor and were given all privileges of the convention except that of voting.

North-East Union, in Indianapolis, held an open air meeting in Spades Park in August. Mrs. Sarah Taylor, Vice-President, presided in the absence of the President, Mrs. Nina Bingham. Mrs. Mary Moody and other county officers were asked to take part in the program.

Palmer Union, in West Indianapolis, Rev. Mary Cox, President, was invited to the country home of Miss Lula MacCain, former President, Friday, August 11. The members of this Union are making a great effort to establish a settlement house in the factory district of this suburb and have every prospect of success.

Frances Willard Union held a Mothers' Meeting in the home of Mrs. Helfer, August 15. Mrs. L. E. Scott was the principal speaker. It is the practice of this Union to hold the Mothers' Meetings apart from the regular meetings of the Union. Socials are also given by this Union in the homes of members once each month. The finances of the Union are so much increased by this means that many acts of charity can be accomplished, which are impossible for other Unions.

Mrs. Martha Gipe, County President, who has spent the summer months at Acton Park Hotel, as the guest of her son, has returned to the city.

Election of officers and superintendents of departments, also of delegates to State and county conventions, will be held in all Unions in Marion County early in September.

The August meeting in Central Union was considered a very pleasant and profitable session, although the president, Mrs. Luella McWhirter, and Vice-President, Miss Susan Clark, were missed. A letter from Mrs. McWhirter, describing the life led in W. C. T. U. cottage at Island Park, Rome City, was read. Many residents of Indianapolis in former years are living there. Mrs. Mary Balch, loved by every member of Central Union, where she was formerly a member, Mrs. Evertson, former President of Marion County W. C. T. U. and Mrs. Maud Baker Cathcart, being among the number. Letters were also read from the brides who left the Union and the city in June, Mrs. Ethel McWhirter Wise and Mrs. Maud Baker Cathcart, telling of their happiness in their new homes and of their intention to join the local unions in their vicinity. Miss Josephine Metevier gave a character sketch of Zerelda Wallace. This paper was of unusual interest to those members who had worked with and loved this remarkable woman. Mrs. Wallace was a charter member of Central Union. The pledges written by her and inscribed in the minutes of 1875 are still in the possession of this Union. Mrs. Irene Hawley spoke of Franchise for Women and of its necessity if reform measures are to be successful. Mrs. L. D. B. Cowan and Mrs. Frances Boyer had prepared splendid papers relating to the departments of Purity in Literature and Art, and Literature. Mrs. Frances Potter, former Union President, presided, and led the devotional exercises, assisted by Mrs. Bonsib. The solo by Mrs. Minnie McWhirter, of Tennessee, was much enjoyed. Refreshments were served during the social hour by the young ladies of the Union. E. G. SMITH.

Mrs. Ada B. Leck died on July 24, after a long illness, at her beautiful home in Capitol ave., Indianapolis. Her devoted husband, Mr. Robert Leck, these sons and the beautiful young daughter survive her. Mrs. Leck was for many years President of Marion County W. C. T. U. She organized several unions and helped many weak unions. She organized the Frances E. Willard Union, in the vicinity of her own home, and served as President from the time of its organization, in 1899, until obliged to give up local and county work, one year ago, on account of failing health. At time of death Mrs. Leck was Associate Superintendent of the Department of Fairs and Open Air Meetings in the National W. C. T. U., a position she has held for many years, also serving as Superintendent of the same department in our State Union. Mrs. Leck was prominent in many charitable, educational and reform organizations, being one of the charter members of the Girls' Industrial School of Indianapolis and an active member of the Local Council of Women. She was an earnest member of the Tabernacle Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Leck was a very beautiful woman, with a winsome, dignified personality and singularly free from unkind criticism. The family will miss her, Frances Willard Union will miss her counsel and loving thoughtfulness—she will be missed in the councils of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, in county, State and nation. Our sympathy is extended to the family. The young daughter is an earnest white ribboner, a member of Frances Willard Union.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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"You can't serve the Lord and chase after the Devil at the same time" is the explanation given by W. A. Skidmore, when he turns the subway tavern in New York into an ordinary saloon. Bishop Henry C. Potter, of the Protestant Episcopal church, was present at the dedication of this subway tavern in August, 1904. In the bar-room he made a speech in which he declared "This is the greatest social movement New York has ever known" and after the speech, led the crowd in singing, Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

This subway tavern experiment contemplated legislation, as soon as it could be shown that the new style of saloon could be made a financial success, compelling all holders of liquor licenses to provide the distinctive features of the subway tavern, food, soft drinks, games and a reading room, thus making over the whole saloon system. Now comes the passing of the scheme. For months any competent observer has known that the venture was a financial failure, though the managers professed to be making "big money." Now it transpires that in thirteen months the concern has lost \$15,000.

The New York Sun says editorially: "Of course the talk about the liquor saloon being the poor man's club is nonsense. It is no more his club than is his grocery. He goes to it to get a drink and not for moral and intellectual improvement, and not for converse on high subjects. If he lingers too long after he has had his drink he is an unwelcome interloper, who is likely to be put out rather violently. If he does not buy any drink he is not wanted at all. The reason for the existence of the place is that it caters to the human appetite for stimulants, and to attract custom it provides the accessories which the experience of centuries has shown to be provocative.

"As to the matter of the selling of liquors deleterious not merely in themselves as stimulants, but also because of injurious adulterations, there is much nonsense spoken and written. Tests of the liquor sold in saloons of the district in which this religious rumshop was started as a reformatory influence have shown that generally it is no more injurious to the drinker than that sold in more elegant quarters of the town. The trouble is in drinking too much of the stuff, whether in Fifth avenue or Mulberry street. Relatively to the population, it may be observed, there are more liquor licenses in the Fifth avenue district, in the Tenderloin, than in the district of the east side south of Fourteenth street; and there is more drunkenness. Why was not the religious rumshop established in the Fifth avenue region as a rich man's club."

"The notion that under any circumstances or with any sort of surroundings a rumshop can be made other than it is, a place in which to get a drink and wholly removed from the possibility of any religious association and influence, provoked only amusement among people accustomed to such places, however seriously it may have appealed to the fancy of sentimental and whimsical philanthropists."

INDIANA'S SONG.

TUNE—"ANNIE LAURIE."

Indiana's heard the bugle,
O, army tried and true!
She is marching, she is coming,
To pledge her faith anew;
To pledge her vows anew,
To win or die with you!
You may count on Indiana
Till stars fade from the blue.

You may count on Indiana!
Her "Y's" are in the van!
They are loyal, brave and bonnie;
Go vanquish them, who can!
Go vanquish them, who can!
Her "Y's" are in the van.
O, they're loyal, brave and bonnie!
The "Y's" are in the van.

You may count on Indiana!
Her children are a-field!
Yes, the "L. T. L.'s" are coming;
Their clarion call has pealed;
Their clarion call has pealed;
Not one brigade will yield.
Oh, the "L. T. L.'s" are coming;
The children are a-field.

FRANCES E. WILLARD SAID:

I would not fail to point you toward a wide-armed cross upon a lonely hillside while I repeat his words, who said, "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me." Christ is the magnet of humanity, and she has found the best vocation and the highest, who brings most souls diseased, within the healing power of His immortal gospel.

THE RUM TRAFFIC.

First and foremost, as always, is the fact that the sale of liquor results detrimentally to the community, individually and collectively.

A few men are prospered financially by the licensed sale of liquor, but the vast majority are made poorer by it, and thousands are subjected by it to extreme hardship and misery.

There is not a single sound argument, moral or material, that can be advanced in favor of the sale of liquor.

Many good citizens vote "Yes" year after year on the assumption that the sale of liquor cannot be stopped by a "No" vote, and that it is better to have the business "regulated" under license.

Many others vote "Yes" because of the money the sale of licenses brings into the city treasury.

Neither of these reasons justifies the infliction upon the community of the evils of the rum traffic.

There has never been any honest attempt to regulate the liquor traffic under license.

A computation of the extra burden of expense entailed upon the city by the rum traffic through the police and pauper departments would show that the city pays out more than it receives on account of it.

Add to what the city pays in extra police and pauper appropriations the amounts expended by the churches and charitable institutions and by individuals in caring for the victims of the pauper-breeding traffic and the amount received from liquor licenses appears only a drop in the bucket in comparison.

Then the loss of income to many families entailed by drunkenness which results in the loss of time or the loss of jobs must be taken into consideration.

Account is rarely taken by the average voter of the greatest evil of all; the hardship, misery and suffering the rum traffic entails upon the wives and children of its victims.

Homes are blasted and families are broken up by the rum traffic.

Children are deprived of education and of opportunity to prepare for success in the struggle of life by the rum traffic.

The rum traffic has been responsible for more hardship, misery, suffering and death than all the wars in which the country has been engaged.

Out of each war has come good, but out of the rum traffic has come nothing but evil.—*The National Advocate.*

IN KANSAS.

To show how prohibition in Kansas has reduced the consumption of liquors, we give the following from the report of the U. S. Commissioner of Internal Revenue:

"The population of Kansas in round numbers is 1,500,000; that of Nebraska 1,100,000; of Missouri, 3,200,000.

"The total amount of taxes paid to the United States government for the manufacture and sale of intoxicants in each of these States was as follows: In Kansas, \$115,483; in Nebraska, \$2,776,908; in Missouri, \$5,576,945. Or, for each person in Kansas, \$0.077; in Nebraska, \$2.52½; in Missouri, \$1.74; for each person. To put it in other words, license Nebraska uses 33 times as much liquor per capita, and Missouri 22 times as much as prohibition Kansas.—*Exchange.*

Our Indiana party en route to Los Angeles will leave Indianapolis in a special sleeper the night of October 17. The party consists of representative white ribboners and temperance people. We have room for some more. Let me know immediately if you desire me to reserve a sleeper berth for you. LUELLA F. McWHIRTER, 2312 College ave., Indianapolis, Ind.

TRAIN SCHEDULE, INDIANAPOLIS TO LOS ANGELES.

INDIANA W. C. T. U.,
1905.

October 18, 12:20 A. M., leave Indianapolis via Big Four Ry.; arrive at St. Louis 7:30 A. M. Leave St. Louis 9:00 A. M. via Missouri Pacific Ry.; arrive at Kansas City 5:15 P. M. Leave Kansas City at 5:30 P. M. via Missouri Pacific Ry. October 19, 1:42 P. M., arrive at Colorado Springs via D. & R. G. Ry. October 20, 12:06 P. M., leave Colorado Springs via D. & R. G. Ry.; arrive at Royal Gorge at 3:05 P. M. October 21, arrive at Salt Lake City 1:35 P. M., via D. & R. G. Ry. October 22, leave Salt Lake City at 8:30 P. M. via S. P. I. & S. L. Ry. October 24, arrive at Los Angeles at 7:00 A. M. via S. P. I. & S. L. Ry.

NOTE—One 16-section tourist sleeper to start from Indianapolis and run through to Los Angeles, occupied each night. Berth rate from Indianapolis, including stops, \$8.50.

Members of DuBois County W. C. T. U., assembled in convention at Ireland, Ind., July 26, 1905, authorized the following resolution: Resolved that we heartily endorse the attitude of Governor J. Frank Hanly toward the enforcement of law and order in the State of Indiana and hope that he may meet with the willing co-operation of other executive officers, elected by the people of the State. MRS. M. L. HOBBS, President.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF INDIANA.

August 1st, 1905.

DEAR MADAM—Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your recent favor and to thank you most sincerely for the generous resolution of approval, adopted by the members of your society. Please express to the members of the society my most grateful appreciation. Sincerely yours,

J. FRANK HANLY.

MRS. M. L. HOBBS, President DuBois County W. C. T. U.
R. R. 25, Velpen, Ind.

1905 W. C. T. U. NATIONAL CONVENTION WILL BE HELD AT LOS ANGELES, CAL., OCTOBER 25 TO NOVEMBER 2.

Notwithstanding the great travel of health and pleasure seekers to Southern California last of October and November, a one way lowest first-class fare has been secured for the round trip.

From Indianapolis and vicinity to Los Angeles and San Francisco and return, without going north of San Francisco, the fare will be about \$66.50, with only \$12.50 additional to those who desire to go north from San Francisco to Portland, Oregon, a distance of 1,192 miles, either over the beautiful Shasta route or by ocean steamer. From Portland to Salt Lake City, covering 965 miles of travel along the great Columbia river and across the State of Idaho. While this \$12.50 side trip to Portland is optional, the small additional expense will be an inducement to see this wonderful country.

The Indiana delegates and visitors will go as a party in a special sleeper, leaving Indianapolis October 18, making a short stop at Colorado Springs, and spending Sunday, October 22, at Salt Lake City, arriving in Los Angeles in time to take some of the many interesting side trips before the opening of the convention.

The Indiana party will go via the following lines: From Indianapolis, the Big Four to St. Louis; Missouri Pacific to Colorado Springs and Pueblo; Denver and Rio Grande to Salt Lake City; San Pedro, Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railway to Los Angeles. This last named road crosses an entirely new section of country and shortens by twenty four hours the journey from here to Los Angeles. From Los Angeles, returning via the Coast and Valley line of the Southern Pacific road to San Francisco, where several days will be spent in this metropolis of the Pacific coast. From San Francisco those who may take the Northern California and Oregon trip will go north to Portland over the Southern Pacific road, and from Portland southeastward over the Oregon Railway and Navigation Co. line and Oregon Short Line to Salt Lake City. From San Francisco those who do not make the Northern California and Oregon trip will go directly eastward to Salt Lake City over that branch of the Southern Pacific road. From Salt Lake City the Denver and Rio Grande to Denver, Missouri Pacific to Kansas City, Chicago and Great Western to Chicago, and the Big Four from Chicago to Indianapolis. Stop-over privileges granted without extra expense at Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo and all points west of Denver. Members of our party will no doubt desire to make many stops at points in the West. Free chair cars on the Missouri Pacific and Chicago and Great Western from Denver to Chicago. All tickets are good to return from any point west of Denver or from Denver as late as November 30.

Our sleeper rate from Indianapolis to Los Angeles, including the stops at Colorado Springs and Salt Lake City (where we will use the sleeper instead of a hotel) will be \$8.50 for a berth; two people in a berth costing each \$4.25.

All who join our party are requested to bring lunch and those who have them, to bring an alcohol burner; small tables and other conveniences are provided in the car, so that we may enjoy the journey most thoroughly. Arrange to make this trip yourself and invite your friends to join our party.

For further information concerning the trip, and for sleeper reservation, write to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.

"INFERNAL" REVENUE GROWS.

One hundred and eighty-six millions was the aggregate paid into the national treasury for protection and sanction of the drink traffic during the year ending June, 1905, according to the preliminary report of Commissioner Yerkes just made public. This is an increase over 1904 of \$1,425,591. The revenue from whisky and other spirits was \$135,958,513; from beer and other fermented liquors, \$50,360,553. In addition to these figures the revenue from cigars and tobacco was \$45,659,910, an increase of \$1,004,101 over 1904.—*Exchange.*

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National W. C. T. U. Convention, Los Angeles, Cal., October 27 to November 1.

STATE W. C. T. U. CONVENTION,
BRAZIL, OCTOBER 6 to 9.

Brazil is situated on the Vandalia R. R., west of Indianapolis, between Greencastle and Terre Haute.

Trains leave Indianapolis at 7:00 A. M.; arrive at Brazil at 8:27 A. M. Leave Indianapolis 7:10 A. M.; arrive at Brazil 8:38 A. M. Leave Indianapolis 12:20 P. M.; arrive at Brazil 1:51 P. M. Leave Indianapolis 3:15 P. M.; arrive at Brazil 4:38 P. M. Leave Indianapolis 4:00 P. M.; arrive at Brazil 6:10 P. M. Leave Indianapolis 8:35 P. M.; arrive at Brazil 9:53 P. M.

Trains leave Brazil 6:41 A. M.; arrive at Indianapolis 8:00 A. M. Leave Brazil 8:27 A. M.; arrive at Indianapolis 10:25 A. M. Leave Brazil 1:27 P. M.; arrive at Indianapolis 2:50 P. M. Leave Brazil 2:29 P. M.; arrive at Indianapolis 4:45 P. M. Leave Brazil at 5:33 P. M.; arrive at Indianapolis 6:55 P. M. Leave Brazil 1:48 A. M.; arrive at Indianapolis 3:30 A. M. Leave Brazil 5:28 A. M.; arrive at Indianapolis 6:50 A. M.

At Indianapolis tickets can be purchased at the office of the Pennsylvania lines, corner of Illinois and Washington streets, or at the Union Station. Be sure and get a certificate with your ticket.

The regular fare from Indianapolis to Brazil is \$1.71. When certificate is vided at the convention, it will entitle the holder to buy return trip ticket for one-third the regular fare.

Invite your ministers to attend the Brazil Convention. Invite the teachers to attend the Brazil Convention.

Visitors can secure hotel and boarding rates by applying to chairwoman of that committee—see convention list of Brazil ladies who serve as chairwomen of committees.

County Presidents, please bring with you to Brazil a complete directory of your county. Have it plainly and carefully written—type-written is best. Name and addresses of county officers and superintendents; names of Local Unions, with names and addresses of their officers.

Sunday, October 8, 2:15 P. M.—To the delegates of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of the State of Indiana: Welcome to our Sunday School services. Special program will be prepared for the day. Short talks from visiting delegates. Miss Emily Squier will recite, and a beautiful souvenir program, appropriate for the day and occasion, will be presented to each delegate and member of the school attending.

All delegates to the State Convention are expected to arrive in Brazil on the afternoon of October 5. A great reception will be tendered the delegates and visitors in the auditorium of the First M. E. Church on that evening by Mr. W. E. Carpenter, Superintendent of the Sunday School, and his co-laborers. This Sunday School is the fourth largest in Methodism in the whole world—numbers 2,247. Every white ribboner should plan to be present.

Thursday evening, October 5, 7:30 P. M., the officers and teachers of the First Methodist Sunday School, of Brazil, Indiana, will tender a reception to the visiting delegates of the State Convention and to the members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, in the auditorium of the church, at which time Miss Emily Squier, of Indianapolis, will give a recital on Temperance and Prohibition, interspersed with instrumental and vocal music. Admission by tickets.

Parents, if you desire that your young people become interested in temperance work, reflect upon conditions. Perhaps in your community you have only a small minority of outspoken Prohibitionists and W.

C. T. U. members. Your young people are associating with those who sometimes ridicule the earnestness or enthusiasm of the minority, or if not, they pity and shake their heads, saying, "It can never be done." If you will take the young son or daughter with you to the State or National W. C. T. U. Convention, where things are said and done by most interesting people, the results will be satisfactory to you. Young people catch the spirit and enthusiasm of our conventions. Invite friends with sons and daughters, scarcely in their teens, to attend the Conventions at Brazil and Los Angeles. Boarding rates are always made reasonable to convention visitors. The short time out of school will be giving an opportunity for better things than a few days' text-book learning.

Invite your minister, your husband and some teacher to spend Saturday and Sunday in the State convention. Write to Mrs. Orpha James for hotel information and engage board. This will be a great convention. Those will be great days. To visit a Sunday School of more than 2,000 members, with such a Superintendent as Mr. W. E. Carpenter, is well worth the trip to Brazil.

RAILROAD RATES.

For tickets costing not less than 75 cents to the state convention, will be one and one-third regular fare for the round trip, granted upon the certificate plan. Purchaser buys one ticket at regular fare from any point and gets a certificate. This certificate, signed at the convention, entitles the holder to a one-third regular fare for the return trip.

Because some of our delegates must come a very long distance, this reduction means much to them and their unions. Every person whose railroad expense, upon this basis, will be about the same as the inter-urban, is asked to use the railroad, so that we may have one hundred certificates. If less than that number we can not secure any reduction.

Brazil has but one interurban and that runs into it from Terre Haute on the west. All delegates from northeast, east, southeast and from Indianapolis and vicinity can reach Brazil only via the Vandalia R. R.

A fee of twenty-five cents will be charged by the railroad agent at the State Convention for each certificate vided.

PEACE.

The whole civilized world rejoices at the declaration of peace between Japan and Russia. The Russians are the hardest drinking of all European people. The Japanese are a sober, industrious, energetic people.

While the Russian officers and crews may have been sober on board ship and in action, it is plain that if the time which should have been devoted to study had not been spent in dissipation, the little sober, studious, Japanese would not have had the advantage. They gained their wonderful victories by their splendid strategy and ability. The world to-day accords the greatest honor to their leaders and appreciate the Japanese as a great nation.

OUR GIRLS.

Anna Hammer, who used to marshal the Pennsylvania hosts of the W. C. T. U. as their president, was spending a few days with me in my Catskill cottage. All W. C. T. U. women who come to Twilight Park climb the mountain to the eagle's nest, where their beloved Frances Willard spent a summer or so, before her home flitting. Coming down from that cottage we met a lady and gentlemen, on a stroll to find points of interest. They asked us the way to Squirrel Inn. We told them; and added that we had just come from there, having been up to Frances Willard's cottage, which was near the Inn.

"O!" said the lady, in a warm, rich voice, I want to see that." "Do you belong to our W. C. T. U?" asked Mrs. Hammer. "No; but my mother did."

As we went on our way, those words, "No; but my mother did," set us talking and we said to each other that we hear that quite too often. We have not enough bright, young hearts and heads in our ranks. Every temperance mother's daughter ought to be trained to love the work as her own and not in that semi-useless, sentimental way, "Because my mother did."

Our girls outnumber us. Training them to take our places, we fill and increase our ranks as they are thinned by time. It is far easier to interest and hold girls, than any others. Older women are often stuck as full of prejudices and whims as a busy woman's pincushion is of pins. These girls are full of vim and life and they can usually make anything go that they take hold of. They will be the women of affairs to-morrow, with far broader opportunities than their mothers dreamed possible.

We will lose the battle of to-morrow if we fail to drill the soldiers of to-day.

God has used young women gloriously; witness Esther, Mary and hundreds of others whose record is on high.

We can get them to work for our cause if we will go at it with a will, instead of wasting our time over the tweedledum and tweedledee of far less important matters. While we two mused, the fire burned, and we lifted our hearts in prayer, that all the young women of the land might feel the touch of power and hear the word of authority, and wheel into line, shaming our old poky ways by their lovely lively, earnestness.—Jennie Fowler-Willing, New York.

FROM MISS EDITH HILLIS, STATE PRESIDENT LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Indiana's eleventh convention of the Loyal Temperance Legion was small, but enthusiastic and earnest. We pledged ourselves to greater endeavor for the coming year, and we feel sure you will join us in this effort.

Indiana has pledged 500 subscriptions to the *Crusader Monthly*, to be secured before October 1st. Send to the *Crusader Monthly*, Evanston, Ill., for sample copies. Put these in the hands of your children and legioners and see results. For the very small sum of 25 cents a year, the *Crusader* should be in thousands of Indiana homes. In how many will you help place it? This paper is better with each succeeding issue and we in the work can not afford to be without it. How many of the 500 will you help us secure?

Also the report of our eleventh annual convention is to be printed and ought to be read by and in the homes of every W. C. T. U. woman. Providing we arrange to sell these reports for ten cents or less per copy, how many will you pledge for your city. Go before your unions with the *Crusader* pledge and this for the printed reports and present the matter to them very earnestly, urging the necessity of these things upon them, then let me hear from you soon as possible.

Now is the time for us to begin our reports for next year. Put your legioners to work. That is the way to interest and hold them. Send them to the sick with bouquets and accompanying scripture texts; send them out with literature; have them recite in medal contests and have them watchful for chances to show mercy to dumb animals; in fact, use them in every department and keep close count of everything done for the next year's report.

Now is the time to begin raising funds to send delegates to Kokomo next June. We want a large convention and will gladly entertain all you can send. We want you to catch the convention enthusiasm and earnestness.

At the national convention, there is to be a contest between States for a national L. T. L. song and rally cry. This necessitates a contest in every State first, and the plan is as follows: The song may be both words and music original, or only words. Any local legioner may write a song and cry and send same to Mrs. Mix before the State W. C. T. U. convention in October. Those received from all locals will go to State W. C. T. U. convention and a contest will there be held, the song and cry receiving the first place to be sent to the National for Indiana's entry in the national contest, and those adjudged best at the national become national song and cry. How much of a contest shall we have at Brazil in October? That rests with each local. Let us hear from you.

At our convention, Mrs. Mix was made State Organizer, and it is her wish to place a worker in every county in the State having a W. C. T. U. organization, at some time during the year. So, you will probably hear from her regarding this, and as this is just the kind of work Indiana must have, please be ready to follow out her plans when sent. Ohio was organized and held its first convention the week before Indiana's convention and as many counties represented as had Indiana. Do you see the situation? Let us all work together this year and make it one of very marked growth.

Kokomo, Ind.

The Battleship *Kansas*, the largest war vessel ever built in the East, was launched, August 13, at Camden, N. J. The launching was witnessed by Gov. Hock, of Kansas, whose daughter, Miss Anna Hock, acted as sponsor for the ship. With the Governor was a party of thirty Kansans. The vessel named for Prohibition *Kansas* was christened with spring water procured from Old John Brown's Springs in Kansas. Governor Hock suggested this, and he made the announcement, after the launching, that the christening bottle contained only water.

Every woman who pays her annual membership dues in a local W. C. T. U. in Indiana should receive the MESSAGE. The local treasurer makes out and sends the names and addresses, with the State dues, to the State Treasurer, Miss Clara Sears, of Anderson. If a member does not receive the MESSAGE she should make inquiry of the local treasurer, whose duty it is to make out and send the complete list of names to Miss Sears, and in case some member does not receive her paper, to notify the State Treasurer. Miss Sears is a pains-taking, loyal, hard working officer, whose duties are perplexing. Great efforts are being made to get the MESSAGE subscription list perfected.

Each local treasurer should carefully make out the lists of members, with addresses. The spelling of proper names can not be guessed at—they must be plainly written in order to be correctly printed. To send a name in as Mrs. Mary Brown, last September, and to send the same person's name in as Mrs. Robert Brown, this September, although the other address is the same, causes confusion. The State Treasurer cannot be expected to know that these two names belong to the same person. Send names the same way each year. Write plainly. If you cannot do so, get an eight year grade boy or girl to write the list. Boys and girls usually write plainly. Type-written lists, of course, are good.

CANTEEN AT FORT SHERIDAN.

A recent write-up in the *Chicago Record Herald* shows anxiety concerning awful results of the abolition of the canteen. From the *Defender* we quote:

The story does not amount to much, but the paper puts it up in big shape, with a picture five columns wide, and it doubtless makes a great impression.

Of course the officers were ready to talk canteen. That seems to be a part of the military duty now. And the commanding colonel readily told the reporter:

"Under the old law the officer in charge of the canteen refused a man liquor if he showed the least sign of intoxication. And if liquor was sold to the applicants under any circumstances it was not stuff that drives men crazy. In other words, we had the drinking question reined in, but now we are absolutely without power."

There are plenty of men who, like the writer of these lines, have seen drunken soldiers wallow in their vomit in the canteen at Fort Sheridan in canteen days; but what does the colonel care for that, or what the *Record-Herald*?

The reporter says that he found 13 saloons in Highwood, the village near the fort, but gives a "full list" of only 12. Evidently more than the list was "full." This, in a village of 1,700 people that is the only license town for miles around, is not very remarkable; nor, when it is remembered that there were 9 saloons there when the canteen went out of business, four and a half years ago, and that the license fee has been reduced by one-fourth and the number of soldiers in the fort more than doubled, is the increase in number of the saloons anything to hang a very big story upon?

Still less comfort did the reporter get from the saloonkeepers, whom he quotes as saying that pay days are sometimes so dull now that they do not notice them as they pass, and that they favor the canteen as making better times for the saloons. The mayor of the town, a saloonkeeper, appears in the article as saying:

"All in all, I rather favor the canteen, as it meant better business for the Highwood saloons than under the existing arrangement."

The story ends up with a suggestion worth looking after:

"No liquor is supposed to be sold within Fort Sheridan reservation, and technically it is not. The reporter, however, obtained hard cider of the vinegary variety—the kind that tumbles a man over after eight or ten drinks—in a place opposite the main buildings within the grounds. An intoxicated man of thick speech and blinking eyes gave the proper 'tip' when asked if one could obtain a drink without walking out of the grounds."

Suggestions that the canteen law is being evaded by such means as this are growing frequent.

DRINKING IN THE ARMY.

For some weeks back the press of the country has contained daily reports of the sickening and disgusting drinking bouts of army officers and their wives, brought to light in the divorce trials of Captain Taggart.

In the light of these reports we can understand the activity of certain army officers, and the wives of army officers, for the re-establishment of beer saloons at the camps.

Without fear of contradiction we affirm as a maxim that positions of great public trust, positions involving the safety of life and property, require men of the highest trustworthiness, and an absolute requisite to this is the habit of perfect sobriety.

The great railroad corporations of every country have come to recognize the justice and wisdom of this, as is evidenced by the requirements they impose on their employees.

By the great railroads of the United States total abstinence is required of their employees. What these railroad companies say to their employees in substance is: "You can drink if you will. Whether you drink or not is for you to determine. But you cannot drink and work for us." The ground upon which these railway companies act is that the traveling public and property owners have a right to the best possible protection.

Does not the same reasoning apply with equal fitness and force to those who are in the employ of the American people as officers and soldiers? There can be but one answer.

The duty of the army is to defend the country and protect its interests. Can drunken soldiers or officers with maudlin brains be depended on for this? How emphatic the answer which history and the verdict of the best and ablest observers give to this question.

Why should not the American people demand of their servants what railroad companies demand of their employees? Why risk the influence of drink when all men know that it renders those who take it aggressive and reckless, and leads to untold mischief?

The National Temperance Society, in its annual report of 1881, said: "The effective way to stop drunkenness in the army, as elsewhere, is to stop drinking; and the way at least greatly to lessen drinking among soldiers and officers is to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in connection with

the army supply stations or in the vicinity of the army. Abstinence from intoxicating liquors might, and ought to be, prescribed by Congress, in accordance with its constitutional authority, as a rule and regulation of the military and naval as well as of the civil service."—*National Advocate*.

HADLEY REPORT ON \$1,000 FUND.

Previously reported.....	\$540.56
Mrs. Carrie E. Haisley, Oak Ridge	1.00
" Mary Bond, " "	1.00
" Anna Shugart, " "	1.00
" Ivy M. Davis, " "	1.00
" Anna Johnson, " "	1.00
" Myrtle Goodakontz, " " .....	.50
" Leony Jay, " " .....	.50
" Alice Shugart, " " .....	.25
" May Carter, " " .....	.25
" Jennie Carter, " " .....	.25
" Myrtle Harris, " " .....	.25
" Louisa Haisley, " " .....	.50
" Mary Metcalf, " " .....	.50
Mr. W. S. Frazee, Indianapolis.....	1.00
Mrs. Alice Baxter, "	1.00
" Florence Baxter, "	1.00
" Mary Wheeler, "	1.00
" E. G. Cornelius, "	1.00
" Maggie Cox, Westfield.....	4.00
Gosport Union.....	5.00
Dearborn County.....	1 00
Wells County.....	27 42
Cold Springs Union.....	1.00
Mooreville Union.....	1.00
Total.....	594.98

MATTIE E. H. CHANDLER.

Mooreville, Ind.

EVILS OF THE CIGARETTE.

In the presence of their Superintendent, during a meeting Saturday, approximately 450 of the 500 boys detained at the Plainfield Reformatory confessed that the use of cigarettes had been a great factor in bringing about their incarceration. Dr. A. W. Shaw, of the Trinity Congregational Church, at Indianapolis, and at the head of the American Anti-Cigarette League, had been invited to talk to the boys on Character Building. During the progress of his address he paused and put the question directly to his hearers—How many of you boys before me were addicted to the use of cigarettes and how many of you believe that the habit is in a large measure responsible for your present condition?

"Fully 90 per cent of the boys raised their hands," said Dr. Shaw, "and that is a conservative estimate. I might in all truth say that 97 per cent acknowledged the use and consequences of cigarette smoking, but I am inclined to make the estimate a low one. If Judge Alford and Judge Whallon, of Indianapolis, could have witnessed the incident and could also go with me among the schools of the State they might agree with the Supreme Court of the United States in their view of the cigarette law."

The above incident is considered one of the strongest proofs of the righteousness of the Indiana anti-cigarette law and it is believed will have a new influence in spurring up the officers of the State in the enforcement of the law as it is upon the statute books.—*Exchange*.

MICHIGAN'S PLAN FOR FIELD WORK.

The State hires the field workers.

Field workers must send in a monthly report of the number of days in the field; also, itemized account of traveling expenses.

Days consumed by travel only not to be counted in.

Dates that fail not to be counted.

There must be at least five consecutive dates and at points not widely separated.

Each Local union employing a State field worker shall pay said field worker \$1.50 and give her the collection and her entertainment.

Field workers are to visit unorganized points for collection only.

Field worker is to give receipt to Local union for money received.

Field worker reports all money received in her monthly report.

If the amount received is not sufficient to pay field worker's salary and traveling expenses, State to meet the deficit.

If the amount received exceeds salary and traveling expenses, the surplus to be turned over to the State.

E. L. C.

TESTIMONY FROM THE BENCH.

Judge McAuley, of Kansas City, in committing a "plain drunk," gave utterance to the following: "If I had my way I would not only close every saloon in the county Sunday and week days, but I would stop the sale of intoxicating liquor in any shape or for any purpose whatever. I would make it a crime to manufacture the stuff. This may be far reaching, but the sentiment is justified by the sights and experiences in this courtroom. Ninety-five per cent of the cases tried here are the direct results of whisky; the other 5 per cent includes morphine and cocaine fiends and a few petty grievances that come before me for adjustment."

The woes that arise from the use of whisky, the ruined men and women, the broken families, the griefs and tears all aired in this courtroom are enough to turn gray the hair on a buffalo robe."—*Exchange*.

A ROYAL SUCCESS.

That Cabbage Patch social event given by the ladies of the W. C. T. U. was an unqualified success in every respect. The beautiful lawn of J. M. Halstead, and the street as well, was packed with people. The yard was beautifully decorated with Japanese lanterns and the Cabbage Patch was something rich and rare. Denominational garden was very interesting and the description given by Lovey Mary of the beauties of the garden was well worth the fee asked. Too much cannot be said in praise of the excellent music furnished by the Brazil concert band, as a constant strain of music was heard throughout the evening. The merry-go-round was kept busy by the little folks and the dainties were all first-class. This is only the beginning of the many social events to be given by the ladies, as the State Convention is to be held here in October and they are taking this plan as one of the means of raising funds to defray the expenses of the Convention.—*Brazil Newspaper*.

MAGISTRATE JOSEPH POOL SAYS:

I do not believe from my observation that drink is due to poverty. There is nothing in the hopelessness of poverty which drives men, even married men, to drink. No; it is the other way—poverty and abandonment are due to drink.

In the vast majority of cases in the police courts the wives that are abandoned have children, often five and six or more. The evidence in many of these cases is enough to bring tears to any judge's eyes. Wives, forsaken by their husbands, struggle along, trying to support themselves and their little ones, while their worthless husbands loaf. Finally, we see the pale-faced wives in court, appealing to justice as a last resort.

"THE LOS ANGELES IDEA."

The Los Angeles idea, as the new plan of handling the saloon problem is called, will be watched with interest everywhere.

The "idea" is this: It is proposed to have a private company buy all the saloons, now numbering 200, and reduce the number to 75, with a view to eliminating as many of the evils of the traffic as possible. The promoters offer to pay \$180,000, or \$2,400 a saloon. They will pay to the city all profits over \$200,000, to be used on municipal improvements, and the same license fees as at present.

We are not sure yet that we will have the advance sheets of the superintendent's reports printed for the State Convention, yet we trust every superintendent's report will be forwarded to the Recording Secretary ten days before the State Convention and that the superintendent will keep a duplicate of her report and bring it with her to the State Convention, that she may not be inconvenienced if the printer fails to receive her report or they are not printed.

MATTIE CAMMACK-GIBSON,
Recording Secretary.

New Hampshire. The Frank Jones Brewing Company has been fined \$700 for putting salicylic acid in ale, and another concern has been fined for putting it in beer. Think of it! In the beverage which made Portsmouth so famous! In the beverage which many people drink when they don't dare to drink water.

Greencastle.—To redeem the pledge of sixty subscriptions to the *Crusader Monthly* made at the L. T. L. convention and secure as many more as possible, the Loyal Temperance Legion of Greencastle was divided into two companies, under the leadership of Miss Marian Ostrom and Miss Eva Wright, as captains. Enthusiastic meetings were held and a vigorous campaign was on for more than two weeks. On Sunday, September 10, the result of the contest was announced. Although the rain was pouring down, about fifty people were present. The funds were counted by Dr. Hoagland and Mr. Huestis, showing that Miss Ostrom had twenty-seven dollars and Miss Wright nineteen dollars, or one hundred and eighty-four subscribers. Think how much that means for temperance! Since the close of the contest enough more subscriptions have been received to swell the list to two hundred.

The defeated side gave a social in honor of the visitors. This was held Friday evening at the beautiful home of Mrs. S. A. Hays. Right well did the committee perform its duties. Aside from the games and refreshments a short program was given, consisting of a piano solo by Miss Lee Greta Ayres, vocal solo by Miss Lydia Williams, a delightful talk by Rev. Sonnie, pastor of the Presbyterian church, a recitation by Wade Hollingshead and song, *Saloons Must Go*, by a chorus of girls.

An incident. During the contest a trio of little girls, Lillian Hays, Hazel Vermilion and Julia Jean Nelson, in a pony cart, were often seen driving hither and thither intent on subscriptions. They secured thirty-one.

PROHIBITION IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

The Philadelphia *North American* is authority for the statement that the coming session of Congress will be compelled to face the liquor question in a somewhat unexpected form. Judge A. R. Webber, of the Fourteenth Ohio district, proposes to introduce a bill making the sale of liquor illegal in the District of Columbia. Judge Webber is an ardent hater of the saloon and believes that he can accomplish more for its overthrow in this way than in any other. We bid Judge Webber God speed in his efforts.

The government of the District of Columbia is entirely in the hands of Congress. The people of the District have nothing whatever to say about it.

This being the case, the responsibility for the liquor traffic in the District of Columbia is not on the people of the district, but on Congress and on the President, who is the agent of Congress, for the execution of the law of the District.

How the law is enforced may be seen from the following statements, which, as far as we know, have never been denied: Within one block of the post-office there are 39 speak-easies, and adjoining the White House grounds there are 13 open gateways to perdition, while between the White House and the postoffice in the city of Washington there are 102 speak-easies.

Thus, to the nation's shame and disgrace, the business of rum selling is permitted to go right on in godless defiance of all law and decency.

While such things are permitted to go on at the nation's capital, is it any wonder that lawlessness and anarchy are found in the towns and cities of all the States?—*Exchange*.

Mrs. Harriet Wright Brand, our National Treasurer and a loved member of our Indianapolis Central Union, will attend our State convention.

The husbands of some of our delegates to the Brazil convention will spend Sunday at the convention and no doubt greatly enjoy the entire services.

A large number of berths have already been engaged in the Indiana sleeper going to Los Angeles. From present indications two sleepers will be necessary to accommodate the Indiana delegates and visitors.

Miss Lillie La Drew, our Y. W. C. T. U. State Secretary, was married on September 1 to Mr. Mosley, of Brooklyn, N. Y., Mr. Mosley is connected with the soldiers' and sailors' branch of the Y. M. C. A. We wish these young people much happiness and feel honored that the white ribbon home just established in Brooklyn will be presided over by a beautiful Indiana Y.

For free catalogue of Dailey's sacred, secular, gospel temperance and prohibition music send to J. G. Dailey, 6628 Woodland ave., Philadelphia, Pa.

REMOVALS.

Elizabeth Palmer, from Albion, to 516 South Main street, Goshen; Mrs. Rachel Carr, from Anderson, to Dayton, Ohio; Mrs. McMahon, from Anderson, to Connersville; Eva Heaviline, from Herbst, to Swayzee, R. R. 31; Julia Crider, from Anderson, to Knightstown; Doan Cramer, from Anderson, to Elkhart; Mrs. John Bryan, from Cherubusco, to LaOtto; Nellie Smith, from Ft. Wayne, to Arcola, Ill.; Mrs. G. U. Maxwell, from Ft. Wayne, to Sidney, Ohio; Grace Carmichael, from Brazil, to Paris, Ill.; Rosa Fritch, from Greenfield, to 175 Main street, Kokomo.

BEER AND BABIES.

Beer is bad for babies.

Beer is neither a food nor a stimulant.

Alcohol is poison; beer is diluted alcohol.

The most that has ever been claimed for alcohol as a food is that it is capable of being converted into heat and fat. But it is worthy of note that these claims have been made by chemists and physicians paid for their opinion by the manufacturers of alcoholic beverages. And even they have had to admit that but a very limited quantity of alcohol could be appropriated by the system.

Besides alcohol there is nothing of value in beer. There is more food value in a teaspoonful of milk than there is in a gallon of beer. There is no poison in milk. There is enough poison in a gallon of beer to kill fifty-one infants.

Beer contains from 3 to 5 per cent of alcohol, or from two to three teaspoonfuls of alcohol in each glass of beer.

Three drops of alcohol, which is equivalent to one teaspoonful of beer, or six to eight drops of whisky or brandy, will make a week old infant drunk. That is why some mothers and nurses give crying babies whisky or brandy. It seems to cure the colic. But it only makes them so drunk they go in to a stupid sleep.

What mother would like to see her son brought home from the corner saloon, or her daughter from the dance hall, in a drunken stupor? Yet how often will a mother deliberately make the infant at her breast drunk to prevent it from crying.

Are not beer and other alcoholics in moderation stimulants? That is an exploded theory. Does not alcohol stimulate the heart to quicker beats? No. It irritates it to a more rapid action in the system's

effort to eliminate the poison. Does it not stimulate digestion? No. It inflames the stomach and congests the liver. Does it not stimulate the mind? No. It makes the intellect stupid and dull.—*Exchange*.

BRIEF NOTES.

Crothersville has a W. C. T. U., organized by Mrs. Goodace. A Young Woman's Branch has been organized also. Some of the excellent people of Crothersville are exultant over this victory.

The Open Door. A charming pocket magazine for train, trolley or anywhere. Quarterly. Twenty-five cents a year. Send for it. Jennie Fowler-Willing, editor and publisher, 112 West 88th street, New York City, N. Y.

At Mitchell a very successful silver medal contest was held in the M. E. Church. Seven girls composed the class and each did exceedingly well. Miss Brownie Harn won the medal, her recitation being *Our National Curse*. An audience of our very best people were in attendance and were delighted with the entertainment. \$17 was realized above expenses and much enthusiasm is manifested as results. New life has taken hold of the union. Another contest is being planned for the near future. This union is one year old, but feels very tottery. This contest has awakened up a host of people and we hope to press on in our work.

Temperance and prohibition sentiment in Whiteland, Ind., is increasing. During the last few months the White Shield League, in the M. E. Sunday School, has been organized with over one hundred total abstainers as members, and a Prohibition Alliance has been organized in the town with forty-four shares. On July 26 a number of ladies, representing the different churches, met in the M. E. Church with Mrs. Hadley Hall, our beloved County President, who gave a short address and after thorough explanation of the work organized a W. C. T. U. of twenty-nine members, with officers as follows: President, Mrs. Ella Kroft; Recording Secretary, Miss Vivian Tracy; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Jennie Fisher; Treasurer, Miss Versal Parkhurst.

The Union Signal offers something good every week; correspondence from "our far-flung battle line" in this and other lands; strong articles on timely topics; stirring temperance stories; practical hints for temperance workers; in short, the *Union Signal* speaks the messages of Mother National, and should reach every white ribboner and every friend of our cause. Yes, you need the *Union Signal* all the year around. But you will want a number of extra copies of the convention numbers, November 16 and 23. (Price, five cents for the two copies.) These will contain the full report of the National Convention, including the President's Annual Address. You can find nothing better with which to answer the question, What is the W. C. T. U. Doing? than this report of a year of splendid achievement. Please send orders early. Address, The Union Signal, Evanston, Ill.

Dearborn County secured Mrs. Mattie Cammack Gibson, State Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction, for Sunday, August 20, with the Dillsboro Union and she spoke three times to interested audiences. On Monday and Tuesday, August 21 and 22, Mrs. Gibson delivered most excellent addresses on scientific temperance to the teachers of Dearborn County, assembled in their annual institute in educational hall in the court house in Lawrenceburg. Each teacher was presented with a copy of the Reply, the temperance program and the temperance law. Mrs. Gibson and all members of the W. C. T. U. who were present, were shown every possible attention and courtesy by Mr. S. K. Gold, County Superintendent of Public Schools, and the teachers. Also on the evening of August 21, Mrs. Gibson delivered a fine lecture to a very attentive audience in the Methodist church in Lawrenceburg.

The Kate Lee Union, of Deputy, met on the beech grove camp ground one afternoon of the revival services, held there, August, 1905, and was addressed by Mrs. Culla Vayhinger. It was a masterful, earnest and touching appeal to the fathers and mothers to give their hearty co-operation in every way possible for the uplifting of both man and womankind. The great responsibility of every individual was clearly shown by the interrogatory text, II Samuel, 18-29, Is the Young Man Absalom Safe. It was a splendid address, and was listened to from first to last with absorbing interest. Good music was rendered by singers from Deputy. A beautiful solo by Miss Lella Reynolds, of Indianapolis Central Union, with her harp accompaniment, her sweet voice and face lending inspiration. A fine duet was rendered by Mrs. Della Dixon and Mrs. Clara Robertson. Miss Jennie Smith, the railroad evangelist, gave a very interesting and instructive account of the work done by the W. C. T. U. among the seamen, miners, railroaders, etc. Seven new members were added to the membership at this place, on September 7. Kate Lee Union elected the following officers: President, Mrs. Alma Foster; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Sarah Robertson; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Anna Robertson; Treasurer, Mrs. Nora Short. During the summer months good programs have been enjoyed. Twenty-seven boys and girls joined the band of mercy in charge of Miss Minnie Hartwell.

Blackford County convention was held at Hartford City. Mrs. S. M. Stahl, president, in the chair. In her annual address Mrs. Stahl said: "Ninety per cent of all children who sign the total abstinence pledge keep it, while 90 per cent of men who sign break the pledge. Our hope is the children." Department work showed activity. Dr. Elma Townsend, of Hartford City, was called to the platform and gave her most excellent lecture "Making of Tomorrow." At the close of the lecture a motion was put and carried by a unanimous vote to secure its publication in our local paper, showing certainly how much it was appreciated by those who were privileged to hear it. An open parliament was held, each member giving testimony as "Why I wear the White Ribbon." The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. S. M. Stahl; Vice-President, Mrs. Bugh; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hudson; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Shaoun; Treasurer, Mrs. Slater. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, State Lecturer, delivered a splendid address in the evening. The inspiration from this and the songs of the Rolland Hartford City quartettes will no doubt add renewed energy to the temperance workers present.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, State Lecturer, made four addresses recently in Spencer to splendid audiences, speaking in the court house yard on Saturday night, at the Presbyterian Church at the Sunday school hour and at the Methodist Church at 10:30 A. M., again in the court house yard at 3:30 P. M. and at the Christian Church on Sunday evening. The Baptist Sunday school attended the Presbyterian school to hear Mrs. Stanley. Mrs. R. McClaren, President of the Spencer Union, presided at the various meetings. Good music by union choir. Of Mrs. Stanley's addresses from a Spencer paper we quote: Mrs. Stanley presents the temperance question in a manner that appeals to the reason and conscience of her hearers. She commended the work of the citizens of Spencer in closing the saloons and paid a handsome compliment to the prosecuting attorney and deputy for their efforts in enforcing the law. She advocates constant effort to enforce the laws. The closing of the saloons is only a partial victory. The effort should be constant to the end that they remain closed and that violations of the law cease. In the afternoon Mrs. Stanley spoke from the text "He hath not dealt so with any nation;" reviewing the wonderful resources and advancement of the country, pointing to its religious and educational institutions, in all of which we take pride and of which we are wont to boast. But the saloon is also an institution of our civilization and the power exerted by it neutralizes and destroys much of the results attained by school, college and church. She urged all to take a stand against the liquor traffic, and press on to final and complete victory, which can come only with the extermination of the traffic. The evening lecture was directed to the church member who has allowed non-professors of religion to outdo him in the fight against the liquor traffic. There are many orders in the State that exclude saloon keepers from membership and which exert an influence on the side of temperance. "What do ye more than others?" was the question asked of the church member. Mrs. Stanley is generally admitted to be the best woman speaker that has addressed a Spencer audience in recent years and her effort here is regarded as being helpful to the temperance cause.

Marion County News Items—Central Union, of Indianapolis, held a Silver Medal Oratorical Contest in Broad Ripple Park, August 26. The eight contestants were well prepared and the contest was popular, many standing till the close of the last recitation. The occasion was the annual old settlers' picnic, and the crowd attending was between four and five thousand. Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, President of Broad Ripple Union, presided in the absence of Mrs. Luella McWhirter, President of Central Union.

Most Unions in Marion County have elected the officers for the coming temperance year; many changes have been made, owing to poor health of former officers and removals from the city. Mrs. Luella McWhirter, who has served Central Union as President during the past year, could not accept the responsibility for the coming year, so Mrs. Rosa Brown was elected to fill that position.

Rev. Mary Cox, former president of Palmer Union, has left the city to fill another pulpit; her successor in the West Indianapolis Friends Church has been appointed her successor in Palmer Union.

The Annual Convention in Marion County will be held, September 26 and 27, in the Furnas Place M. E. Church, in Indianapolis. Rev. Wm. Shaw, State Superintendent of the Anti Cigarette League, will lecture on the first evening his subject being *My Boy and Your Girl*. Rev. Foster Stone will speak on the Mormon menace the afternoon of the second day.

Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter gave a parliamentary drill, during the election of officers in Frances Willard Union, which was much appreciated by the members. Mrs. Frances Williams was again made president. Mrs. Cora Shadd, who has filled the treasurer's office in this union since it was organized, was obliged to resign, as her health is so poor that her friends are very anxious. Mrs. Shadd was considered the best board treasurer in Marion County.

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My Beloved Comrades:

We meet today in our thirty-second annual convention to recount our victories, review and find the reason for any defeat which we may have suffered and plan our work for another year. We gratefully acknowledge the presence of God, our Father, and give Him the glory for the successes which have come to us since last we met. His promise, "Lo, I am with you alway," has been again verified. He has not allowed one honest effort made for the advancement of His kingdom to be lost, and although the battle in which we are engaged is not over, the open dram shops have not all been closed, the double standard of purity has not given place to the single standard in all the hearts and homes of our State, the golden rule of Christ has not everywhere taken the place of the rule of selfishness and injustice, yet as we read the history of the work that has been accomplished toward the prohibition of the liquor traffic in the past year, we can see with the eye of faith in the not far distant future Indiana with "a school house on every hilltop and no saloon in the valley," taking her place alongside Maine and Kansas under the white banner of Prohibition. This has been a year of reaping, as well as seed sowing. For many years faithful men and women have held aloft the flag on which has been inscribed "Total abstinence for the individual and legal prohibition for the traffic," never lowering it, even in the darkest times of severest criticism. Believing that a man never rises higher than his ideals, and that a Christian nation has no right to lower a standard which God himself has planted, they have time after time rescued this banner from the hordes and vandals of the liquor traffic and planted it upon the churches, school-houses and homes of our land.

To no one organization belongs all the credit for the work accomplished in the past year, but much is due to the fact that the temperance forces presented an almost solid front to the enemy. All differences as to methods of work were laid aside and ammunition was used on the common foe and not on our friends. United effort is always productive of the best results. Since we last met, a new Governor has taken his seat as the chief executive of the State, and we have found that the words of that great and wise man, "when the righteous are in authority the people rejoice," are true today as they were more than twenty-five centuries ago. I was never so proud that I am a Hoosier as I am today, and I desire to express my esteem and admiration for Governor Frank Hanly, a man who has the courage of his convictions, who has given the political machine to understand that their recommendation of a man for office bears no weight unless that man is competent to fill the office and a total abstainer, a man who is brave enough to use the power vested in him as Governor to bring law violators to justice and to demand the resignation of a man who has proven himself unworthy the trust of the people; a man who "cares more for the approval of the Christian mothers of the State than he does for the votes of law violators and saloon-keepers." Happy the father and mother who gives such a son to the world! Great the Christ whose spirit in the hearts of men will make them pure and true in any walk of life! When Governor Hanly announced his policy on entering upon the duties of his office, it brought courage to the hearts of the temperance people of the State, and as a result of their activities we have a very fair local option law upon our statute books. These laws are all that we desire, and yet they are the school masters that are leading us up to prohibition. Our Governor does not stand alone among the Governors of the nation in his good work. Governors Folk of Missouri, Hoch of Kansas, and LaFollette of Wisconsin are each doing the same work in his respective State.

This is a joyous occasion to me, because I see before me tonight faces which have been before my mind's eye all during the year, but now for a few days we are to see face to face, and yet there is a feeling of sadness as we miss the faces which have become familiar in this gathering, but will be with us no more. The union here on earth has lost some valuable mem-

bers this year, but the heavenly union has gained them.

"With arms outstretched, the angel said: Welcome to heaven's home, sweet home," and though the workers are called to their reward, yet the work must go on, so my only ambition for this convention is that it may be led of the Holy Spirit and a real Pentecost to our organization.

The last time we met together the cloud of war hung over the Orient. The roll of the drum called husbands and fathers from their homes to follow their country's flag to death or victory. The cry of weeping wives and children was heard as the cruel hand of war tore their loved ones from them to return them no more. But as we meet today the white dove of peace has spread her wings over Japan and Russia. The clash of arms has ceased and given place to the sounds of labor. We are glad that our own President has been the moving spirit in these peace negotiations. May this be but the precursor of the day when swords shall be beaten into plow-shares and spears into pruning hooks, and nations shall learn war no more; when the honor of any nation which will not submit its differences to arbitration shall be so seriously affected that war will be impossible.

"Civilization is the triumph of reason. Every war is a recrudescence to barbarism." Frances Willard said, "We all believe that one of the choicest fruits of Christianity will be the growth of a bond of brotherhood and sisterhood so close among our nations, and races and peoples, that we shall become truly kindred each to the other, and that great word, 'Humanity,' like a rolling wave of the ocean of God's love, shall wash out from the sands of time the words 'Caste,' 'Greed,' 'Sex' and even that good word 'Patriotism,' because we shall feel that the whole world is our country and all men are kin."

EDUCATIONAL.

When Pilot asked the question, "What is truth?" he only re-echoed a question hoary with age and one which has engaged the minds of men from earliest time. As early as 600 B. C. we find Thales, one of the Seven Wise Men of Greece, an astronomer, mathematician and philosopher, groping in darkness, trying by reasoning to find out the first principles and maker of the universe. After blindly searching nature he died, still asking the question "What is truth?" Then came Pythagoras, who tried to discover laws governing not only the universe, but to apply them to society and the State, but it remained for Socrates, the reformer, reprover and critic, to enter the realm of ethical philosophy and discover some of the great truths that have stood through all ages. The truth of the immortality of the soul had existed before the age of Socrates, but it remained for him to discover it and leave it to the world. From his day the discovery of truth went forward with leaps and bounds. When Plato says, "Goodness is co-eternal with God,"

we are reminded of Him who, coming later, said, "I am the way, the truth and the life," and as this old philosopher unfolds some of the truths of creation, we wonder whether he had not in some way gathered them from the teachings of Moses. Plato applied some of the great ethical truths to the state, but it remained for Aristotle to unravel many of the mysteries pertaining to the family, society and the state so that after more than two thousand years he still stands without a rival in the field of philosophy. Some of his views are worthy a Christian statesman. "The end of the state," says Aristotle, "is the virtue and happiness of all the citizens. The first and great end of legislation should be the virtuous character and conduct of its citizens. Politicians, however, look more to what is expedient," he says, "than to what is good and beautiful; more to war than to peace. Their object is to enlarge territory rather than to render the state just and wise. This is a mistaken policy. Whatever is not at the same time just is impolitic." "The virtue of a state consists not in the bravery of its citizens in war exclusively, but in their justice, moderation and wisdom." We are reminded in this teaching of that other wise but inspired man who said, "Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people." Is it not the same gretna truth which our Supreme Court promulgates when it says, "No Legislature can bargain

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For God, the Home and Every Land.



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THE STATE CONVENTION

Held at Brazil was largely attended, there being a very large number of visitors from different parts of the State, besides the 257 voting delegates. The Brazil people were in every sense hospitable. Never in the history of the Indiana W. C. T. U. has there been such enthusiastic interest taken in the local arrange-ments by the citizens and church officers as for this Brazil Convention. Splendid local arrange-ments were made by the W. C. T. U.

The Convention was held in the splendid new M. E. Church, which is very commodious and beautiful. It contains forty rooms, including convenient toilet rooms. The auditorium is large, with splendid acoustic properties.

On Thursday evening a reception to the dele-gates was given in the auditorium of the church by Superintendent W. E. Carpenter, the officers and teachers and the Sunday School. The largest audience ever assembled in the great Brazil M. E. Church was present in honor of the W. C. T. U. An elaborate program was arranged, Superintendant Carpenter presiding. Rev. Greene, the pastor, made a most cordial address of wel-come, responded to by President Vayhinger, fol-lowed by a recital by little Emily Squier. Ex-cellent musical selections were rendered by the Sunday School orchestra. Admission was by ticket. About 2,200 tickets were taken at the door, many being turned away for lack of room.

The State officers' reports showed marked in-crease in our work all over the State. Aggres-siveness of our leaders has pre-empted new fields. The Superintendents of Departments in their reports have this year showed an increased activity regarding the prohibition of liquor traf-fic.

The business of the convention was transac-ted with great ability by the presiding officer, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, and the body of dele-gates. The evening meetings were largely at-tended, as many as 2,000 people being present every evening.

On Friday evening the welcome addresses were by Rev. J. F. Stitt for the churches, Mayor Shattuck for the city and Mrs. Dora Keith for the W. C. T. U. Response was made by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley. Following was the annual address of our State President, Mrs. Vayhinger, which was able and comprehensive and delivered in a masterful manner.

The immense audience showed its apprecia-tion by continued applause.

The Diamond Medal Contest on Saturday evening drew out an audience that taxed the capacity of the great auditorium of the church. On account of the rule of the church that no ad-mission could be taken at the door, and the ne-cessity for at least one hundred dollars to meet the expenses of the contest, Superintendent Car-penter assured the committee in charge that the Brazil audience on the night of the contest would give one hundred dollars. To this end he had enthusiastically announced the need of the com-mittee until the free-will offering at the doors that night amounted to \$141.00, the largest amount ever received on contest night at the State Convention.

Our evangelists and speakers spoke in the churches on Sunday morning and Sunday even-ing. On Sunday afternoon at 2:15 was held the regular Sunday School service, at the close of which short speeches were made by Emily Squier, Mrs. Vayhinger and Mrs. McWhirter. For this service a most elaborate and beautiful sou-venir program was given by the Sunday School to every person present. On the front page of this program was a large bouquet of flowers. Out of the blossoms appeared the faces of the State workers and the Local and County Presidents.

The mass meeting was held at 3:30 in the af-ternoon, addressed by Miss Edith Hillis, State President of the Loyal Temperance Legion. Mr. Will Evans represented the Greencastle L. T. L. and delivered "The Court of Last Appeal."

The convention closed at noon on Monday, having finished the business in one day and a half, less time than usual. The universal ex-pression of the delegates was that this had been the greatest convention in the history of the In-diana W. C. T. U.

BRAZIL CONVENTION NOTES.

By the Courtesy of Mayor Schattuck, an auto-mobile ride was given the delegates on Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. This was accomplished by the kindness of the livery men and the cit-izens of Brazil.

Grant County has eighteen active Press Su-perintendents who keep our work before the pub-lic.

Marion County delegation had five young girls as delegates.

Brazil Convention will ever be remembered for its deeply spiritual atmosphere.

Miss Carrie Bard was persistent, faithful and helpful during all the days of the Convention.

Miss Elizabeth Sherfy, the beautiful daughter of our Mrs. Helen Sherfy, was the ever present, helpful worker and page in the Convention.

Mrs. Haughton occupied the evangelist hour on Friday and spoke from the text, "Love One An- other." She gave a most excellent exhortation to Christian love and courtesy.

The Secretary called roll and 54 ex-officio members of the Convention responded. There was fully three hundred delegates and visiting delegates at the opening session of the Conven-tion.

The Convention opened by singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds." Mrs. Gulia Shugart read the beautiful love chapter, I Cor. 13, and Mrs. Sallie Edgerton voiced the prayer of the Con-vention.

The Ante-Executive Committee, which met at 2 p. m. on Thursday, October 5, was very large and marked by many new faces of County Presi-dents. Much interest was taken in all the dis-cussions.

The Brazil Times requested that the Conven-tion furnish a report of the proceedings for pub-lication. Mrs. Jennie Stephenson was appointed reporter and was highly complimented on her work for the paper.

Hadley Industrial School, President, Mrs. John B. Hann, Indianapolis, Ind.; Custodian of Funds, Mrs. Lida Outland, Upland, Grant County, Ind. The Custodian of the school reported that the entire debt was paid.

Loving Greetings were received from Mother Trish, with instructions to read Deut. 31: 6, 7, 8; Mrs. Eunice Wilson, Miss Alice Palmer and Mrs. Hattie Brand. The Convention instructed the Corresponding Secretary to return greetings.

Mrs. Luella McWhirter spoke of work done on the Message, our State paper, which she was pleased to call "our letter to the women," and kindly urged the women to send in their articles by the 15th of the month, that they might ap-pear in the next month's issue.

Miss Sears gave the report of the Y's, which, for lack of an active Secretary, have suffered loss. However, many young women are co-op-erating with the W's. A large number of young lady delegates attended the Convention and will-ingly and cheerfully served the Convention in different capacities.

The Convention recommended that each Un-ion should double its membership, and that each Union should make a free-will offering of not less than one dollar and fifty cents for a State Organization Fund, the money to be sent to the State Treasurer as early as possible, that the field work may be begun at once.

Miss Edith Hillis, President of the State L. T. L., made an excellent address on Sabbath af-ternoon at the Young People's Mass Meeting. She is earnest and enthusiastic in her work, and pos-sesses the ability to inspire in others an interest in her cause. She made an earnest appeal to the W. C. T. U. to help push the work of the L. T. L. throughout the State.

LETTERS TO TREASURERS.

Dear Co-Workers:

No doubt many have wondered why they did not receive their monthly letter, The Message. We learned a few days ago, through a friend at Indianapolis, that the former printer, Mr. Ratti, would not put out the November issue, as the paper was in the future to be printed in Ander-son, where the Business Manager could look after the work personally. By December 1st you will receive the first quarterly blanks for this year, and I have one special request to make of Local Treasurers: Should your Union have mem-bers living in other towns, or where they re-ceive their mail, will you be kind enough, please, instead of mixing up postoffice addresses, place all for Bluffton under that head R. F. D., and some other town under another head? It takes too long to pick them out.

The Minutes will possibly be in your hands by the time you receive this paper; if not, in a very short time. We think them very helpful and pretty. If the Directory is not what it ought to be, remember the Recording Secretary and myself have done our best in the absence of the Corresponding Secretary, whom you all know was a delegate to the National Convention.

Be prompt with your reports. My books must close by the 26th of a quarter, December, March, June and September, and when I receive dues after this time, they have to be placed on the following quarter. I thank you for your help the past year, and as I am to serve you another, will do my best with much prayer for strength to serve you as I ought. Pray for me.

Send list of members who do not receive their Message, and immediate attention will be given to each. Lovingly,

CLARA M. SEARS,
State Treasurer.

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away the public health and morals. The people themselves cannot do it, much less their servants. Government is organized with a view to their preservation and cannot divest itself of the power to provide for them." Surely truth is eternal and is the same whether discovered by Thales, Aristotle or given through inspiration by God himself. All of these great truths governing man in his relation to his fellowman, the State and his Maker are co-eternal with God and exist because God is God. They may be beclouded with superstition and ignorance until they are not recognizable as in the days of the inquisition, or may be mis-interpreted, twisted and subverted from their proper setting, as in the days of slavery, or covered up with the rubbish of so-called "scientific investigation," as were the truths concerning the nature and effect of alcoholic liquors upon the human system concerning the nature and effect of alcoholic liquors upon the human system. But though "truth may be forever on the scaffold, wrong forever on the throne, yet that scaffold sways the future, and behind the dim unknown standeth God within the shadaow of keeping watch above His own."

The great question through the ages has been, What is truth? Which is error? This question was so important that it gave rise to the different schools of philosophy, both ancient and modern, and through these years of discussion, as philosophers and teachers have been coming nearer the coveted goal, it seemed that the transition was unsettling the beliefs of the masses, and so would prove disastrous. But the love of truth has been implanted in intelligent beings by an Alwise Maker, and there is an inherent longing for that truth within mankind which will not be satisfied with error, and so with every advance step which has been taken mankind has settled upon higher ground and waited for the next move forward. Some Christian teachers have been afraid that scientific investigation might disclose some truth which would unsettle the faith of man in God and form a chasm between science and religion which could not be bridged. But wherever science has discovered a truth, and established it by scientific investigation, it has been found that centuries before, God had stated that truth in His revealed Word. There can be no war in the realm of truth, because truth, wherever found, has the same author.

The truth has always existed that alcohol is a poison to the human body, and God has been trying to teach that truth to man, both by inspired word and by the display of its previous effect upon the human system. But for centuries man has been led about by so-called scientific investigators—"blind leaders of the blind"—until we have fallen into the pit of a vitiated appetite and today find ourselves confronted with a question of such mammoth proportions that it will require both God and man working in harmony to solve it. But the truth has at last been set free and science, experience and religion are found to co-incide exactly. When God said, "Woe to the man who drinks strong drink," science and medicine tried to prove that it was only large quantities which were harmful, but the truth of God has been again vindicated and even the smallest quantity proven harmful. God says, "Woe to the man who is mighty to mix strong drinks," and no word of science, society or friends will save the mixer of wine, whether it be man or woman, in the home, the club or the saloon, from this curse. God has said, "Woe to him who justifies the wicked for a reward." For many years men said the way to deal with the liquor traffic is to justify the saloon-keeper in his business, allow him to carry it on, if he will pay for the privilege. But the truth of God has dawned upon the Christian women and men of the country that the man who justifies the saloon-keeper in his business rests under the woe pronounced by God, and that the only way to deal with the business is to prohibit it.

Not only our own country is awakening to these truths, but Germany, which has been the steady friends of the brewer for generations, has accepted them, and "harmless beer" has been found to be the poison three which has scattered its deadly fruit broadcast to the ruin of the German people. France has been lying in error for centuries, thinking wine a harmless drink, until she is threatened with extermination because of the habits of her people. Her educators and statesmen have demanded that restraining ordinances be passed that will limit the sale and consumption of spirituous liquors. One of these proposed measures abolishes the credit system, making a sale on credit illegal, hence the debt non-collectible. If a measure like this were passed in Indiana, it would save many families from destitution and change many Saturday nights from drunken debauches to happy hours with the wife and children at home. This eternal, transforming truth must be brought to the people. How is it to be done?

I know of no better channel through which this truth is to be carried than our own organization.

First—Carry it through our literature.

We have each one been enjoying the monthly

visits of our State paper, The Message, and as the years go by we realize more and more that we builded better than we knew when each member was made a subscriber to the paper. It is the circular letter which goes on its mission of love and helpfulness each month out from the desk of our devoted editor, with the best work of her fertile brain. Let us help to make it what it should be by sending her report of the good work we are doing, remembering we have small space in which to tell the good news, and so we must take the advice of the editor who says—

When you've a story you wish to tell,
Say it quickly and say it well;
Don't talk an hour when fifteen minutes
Will tell the tale and all that's in it.

Once on a time I was asked to report
A meeting where speeches were not very short;
Where motions were many, particulars long,
And the spare time filled with music and song.

And I sat down and wrote every word that was
said;
Told who made the motion and who seconded;
Who voted "yes" and who voted "no;"
Who played the piano, who sang a solo.

I wrote it all out, though it took me all night,
From the close of the meeting to broad daylight.
I was proud of the job—vain, too, I ween—
Such a full report is seldom seen.

To the editor's sanctum I tripped with zest,
And laid my production upon his desk.
He looked, he grinned, he shook his head:
"Six pages of foolscap! Too long," he said.

"'Twould take three columns to print all this,
So many adjectives are amiss.
Just tell your story and tell it pat;
No paper on earth will print all that.

"No use to publish what none will read;
Just news, plain news, is the public's need.
Now, write it over, leave out detail,
And send it in by tomorrow's mail."

I groaned, but did as the editor bade;
Left out the adjectives, just as he said;
Condensed remarks until, when done,
One page of folscap held the sum.

'Twas sent by the early morning mail,
And the editor printed it without fail;
Just half a column, crisp and clear—
A good report of our meeting there.

Now, if you wish to see in print
Good temperance items, take this hint:
If you make it lively, prompt and short,
They'll be ready to publish what you report.

So when you've a story you wish to tell,
Say it quickly and say it well;
Don't take an hour when fifteen minutes
Will tell the tale and all that's in it.

Every white ribboner who really feels the burden of the work is grieved at times when she sees a woman who puts on the ribbon today and tomorrow takes it off. This, I believe, is never true of a woman who, after she has joined the organization, begins to study something of its great work. The women who get discouraged and drop out are the ones who never get a broader view of the work than is furnished by the work of the local union. There is nothing which gives us this breadth of view as does the Union Signal and Crusader Monthly. I wish I might be given some magic words that would make each woman see the need of taking these papers. I have asked women to take them whose tables at the time contained an Indianapolis daily, two local dailies, three or four magazines and a church paper, and received the reply, "I have more than I have time to read now." Well, they had more than they could read, but I am just as sure that they had some very unprofitable reading. May God help us this year to give up, if necessary, some of these unprofitable papers and magazines and take these two papers, which will be real food for us in the temperance work.

Secondly—Spread the truth by the use of the public press. It has been said that "The press is the university of the people." It remains for you to put into this university curriculum some scientific temperance instruction.

Thirdly—Through public meetings. Never allow your community to have any excuse for saying, "What is the W. C. T. U. doing, any way?" Come before them so often with our principles and lines of work that they will know what is being done. There were more temperance meetings held on the last Fourth of July than ever before in the history of our work. This National holiday is surely a most opportune time for the promulgation of the truths which, when they are worked "out into the customs of society and the laws of our land," will assure our prosperity.

We read with pleasure the report of the ceremonies marking the dedication of the Bugbee Memorial Fountains, which was presented

through the St. Joseph County W. C. T. U. to the city of South Bend by Mrs. Bugbee in honor of her distinguished husband. As an honorary member of our organization for many years, it was very fitting that "He, being dead, yet speaketh," through the cup of cold water given in the name of Christ, shall never be without its reward. This may be the instrument in the hands of God of continuing the work in which Mr. Bugbee was so much interested.

Fourthly—Spread the truth by doing more temperance work in the Sunday Schools.

In the discussion which followed the suggestion to eliminate the temperance lessons from our course of Sunday School lessons, one of the reasons given was, that it was teaching the same thing over each quarter and that the average teacher could not make the lessons interesting to her scholars. It is the "line upon line and precept upon precept" hidden away in the heart of the boy or girl that proves a safeguard in time of temptation. These are the anchors which, when the storms of temptation are threatening the destruction of manhood or womanhood, may be cast out and bring peace and safety again to the troubled bark. This lack of information on the part of the teacher may be remedied by the W. C. T. U. furnishing her some of the facts which she must have if she is helpful to her class. Each quarterly lesson should be an opportunity for presenting the pledge to each class.

In speaking of the things which led her into the temperance work, Miss Willard said that the Family Pledge Roll, framed and hanging upon the wall in the family sitting room, was a constant reminder to her of the needs of the work. I wonder if every Christian home had its family pledge roll upon the wall if we would not have more Frances Willards in the work.

Our Summer Assembly work in the State is becoming more important each year, and is one of the channels through which to carry the truth. Some of the best assemblies of the State are open to our work, and our workers are given a place upon the program with perfect freedom to speak their convictions on this great subject. This gives an opportunity to present the work to representative audiences of all Christian denominations and political faiths. I trust this coming year may find the W. C. T. U. on every assembly program in the State. The Medal Contest work has here, as everywhere else, proven a valuable help.

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE.

Our work among the children and young people is along the line of least resistance. I have never yet found a community where it is impossible to gather the children for instruction in an L. T. L. The children are there and ready, but the teacher is not there and not ready. To meet this demand the normal grade and the standing committee on L. T. L. work was proposed by the National Secretary, and where it has been adopted it has proven a great success. When we remember that statistics tell us that 90 per cent. of the boys and girls who take the total abstinence pledge and are taught along this line keep the pledge, and 90 per cent. of the men who reform and take the pledge break it, is it not strange that there is a union in the State without a Loyal Temperance Legion? I wish each woman would here "purpose in her heart" that she will have a Legion and then settle these other questions.

ANTI-GAMBLING.

I believe this to be one of the most important subjects before our women today. I am glad our Senior L. T. L. has adopted it as a department of their work. Until within the last half century gambling in the form of lotteries and raffles was a very common practice throughout the State and even in many churches. The last fifty years have seen a marked change in sentiment concerning these things. Very few churches now "rob the rich to pay the poor," and the common lottery has had the ban of law placed upon it. Gambling now appears in a new garb and under a fresh alias. The New York Supreme Court says, "When it is determined by chance, what or how much he who pays money shall have for it, it is a lottery." "A lottery is a scheme to distribute or obtain anything of value by chance." With these rulings before us, what of some of the schemes practiced by merchants in order to increase trade? This spirit of gambling, obtaining something for nothing, or much for little, is in the air—in the hearts of men, women and children. I trust you dear sisters will study these schemes carefully and prayerfully before you lend your support to them. Give your merchants to understand that your trade cannot be bought at the cost of your principles. These things seem small, and yet it is the small things that initiate our boys and girls into vice. Let us stand for a "fair exchange," "money's worth" and "value received."

The Standard Dictionary defines gambling as "playing a game of chance for stakes," and defines a stake as "something wagered or risked on a game." Again it says, "Gambling is pretending to buy or sell depending upon chance variations on prices for gain." Now some of our churches have not a very clear vision of the real essence of gambling. Every church

member, whether he be Protestant or Catholic, clearly understands that the young man who sits at the card table in the saloon or in the gambling hell and plays to win the stakes, in greenbacks, piled on the table before him, is gambling; but when a woman, shame to say it, a mother often of sons and daughters, sits at the progressive euchre table with other women of her social set or members of her own club, in the parlor of a sister church member, perchance, and plays cards, when the stakes is cut-glass, China or embroidery work, instead of greenbacks, the preacher is too often silent about gambling, and the deacons and elders keep mum, but all join in wondering why the young people are not coming into the church and being saved.

The church brands the man who follows the horse races and bets on the pace of an animal as a gambler, but the man who "buys and sells grain or stocks, depending upon chance variations of price for gain," is often elected Sunday School Superintendent or steward of the church. The boy sees these inconsistencies and is led into scepticism and ridicule of the most holy and sacred things of God, not that the Word of God is at fault, but that those who bear the name Christian, and who should exemplify the life of Christ, are denying the power of godliness in their lives by following the ways of the world, when the Word of God teaches us that "denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously and godly in this present world, looking for that blessed hope and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us that He might redeem us from all iniquity and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works."

I realize that when I speak against this popular amusement, as it is called, I am treading on dangerous ground. But, dear sisters, I would not be true to you, to my little white badge, nor to my Savior, if I did not use this occasion to call your attention to what I consider to be one element in the miasmatic poisoning that is settling down upon our churches and paralyzing them. As our great organization has ever marched in the van guard in the attacks upon these evils, let us not be slow in using our influence against this one.

Some of our unions have done good work this year in looking after the gambling devices upon the fair grounds and calling the attention of the officers to the fact that these were in violation of the State law, and I want to recommend this work to the unions when near the grounds where fairs are held. The Osgood Union, in Ripley County, deserves much credit for their work and will give their plan to any Union desiring to do this work.

Governor Hanly is to be commended for his effort to suppress gambling at Indiana's Monte Carlo, French Lick, and should have the hearty support of every law-abiding Hoosier in his efforts to cleanse this Stygian pool, whose stench makes us an offense to all our neighbors. How long will we tolerate in our borders such a place as this, where all law is wantonly trampled under the feet of gamblers and saloon-keepers, and then the broken thing is thrown back into the face of our State executive with the taunt, "You can't enforce it?" These places are the breeders of anarchy and are more dangerous to a republican form of government than the low dive where criminals cringe and cower for fear the iron hand of law will fall upon them.

LEGISLATION.

During the past year much work has been done in this department, as there were many bills presented, both at Washington and Indianapolis, in which we were vitally interested. Thousands of letters pressing the claims of our boys and girls to protection from the twin monsters, nicotine and alcohol, were sent to Congress and the State Legislature through the efforts of our organization. These were potent for good and prove that the postoffice can be made an effective lobby and one accessible to all Christian men and women. I desire to thank each of you, my sisters, for your hearty response to my appeals for help in this line of work. I have received many letters from business men and ministers commending us for our work this year, and I pass them on to you, for it was your faithfulness which called them forth. There is much remains to be done, so may I take this opportunity to offer a few suggestions for another year?

The investigation of Mormonism, its teachings and practices, has disclosed to the American people a viper, hidden under the cloak of religion, which has fastened itself over the heart of fair Columbia, only awaiting an opportunity to sting to death the fairest goddess of the nations and to erect over her grave the Mormon hierarchy. When God said "they twain shall be one," He gave to the world the integral blood drop upon which rests the family, and upon the family depends the rise or fall of this republic. Anything which strikes at the sanctity of marriage or the unity of the family is a foe worthy the steel of our beloved organization. This Mormonism surely does. The apathy of the Christian Church concerning this evil I believe to be due to the fact that the members have

never taken time to inform themselves along this line. I want to recommend that each Union hold one public meeting in the year, in which the truth brought out at the late investigation shall be given to the public.

I trust you will not relax your vigilance in the canteen discussion, remembering that "Eternal vigilance is the prince of liberty" from this evil as well as from all others. Our foe is working and waiting an opportune time to strike. "Forewarned is forearmed," so let us keep our State ready at a moment's notice to bring her power to bear at Washington in support of the Anti-Canteen Law.

The destiny of the people of Indian and Oklahoma Territories has not as yet been settled. I trust they may not miss coming in under prohibition because we have not done our whole duty.

Wilbur Grafts says, "When Christ came, it was not contemporaneous, but consecutive polygamy, that is, easy divorce, which needed and called forth his reiteration of the Edenic law, that a person once married can never marry again unless death, or the death of marriage by the mortal wound of adultery, has come to one of the wedded pair. Only one tate, New York, has adopted this law of Christ giving absolute divorce with permission to marry again, for the one cause only, and that to the innocent party." Had Indiana such a law as this some of us would not have to suffer the humiliation of having men in office who have broken these sacred ties only to marry in a few weeks their partner in crime. In defense of one of the most sacred ordinances of God, and one of the most important to the State, let us study this year the laws relating to marriage and divorce and work for the establishment of the law given by Jesus Christ himself. We will never have anything better, along any line, until some one becomes dissatisfied with what we have.

At the last session of our Legislature Representative Mountz of DeKalb County presented a bill which would require the manufacturers of patent medicines to place the formulas on the bottles or packages. As soon as we heard of it we offered our help and received a most gracious reply from Mr. Mountz. We sent literature for use in the Legislature, but the bill was killed in the committee. We are assured that it will come up at the next session, and there is much we can do before that time to prepare the way for its passage. The late decision rendered by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue seriously affects a number of these patent medicines composed largely of distilled liquors. He decides that the manufacturers of these medicines must take out licenses as liquor dealers, and that druggists and others handling them will have to pay the usual retail liquor dealer's license.

This decision will help to prepare the hearts of the people for the truth. Give time this year in your Local Unions to the study of patent medicines and their ingredients and use the press and the platform to bring this information to the public.

I have been asked the question by our women, "Shall we carry remonstrances and help to enforce the new temperance law?" If that seems to be the work at hand in your locality, I would say circulate the remonstrance, but as you do it take occasion to show the fathers the injustice of a law which allows educated Christian mothers, who must bear the sons who feed the gin mill if it runs and pay taxes to help keep up the jails and poor houses, to spend their time from home and children carrying a remonstrance which the mother is not permitted to sign, but she must go to the most ignorant, degraded man who has neither honor, home nor boys and there be humiliated by begging him upon her knees to affix his signature or allow her to do so, and he make his mark, because he happens he happens to be a male and twenty-one years of age, and she has not that honor. Shame on a law which turns loose upon our boys such hell-hounds as the saloons and then ties mother's hands and gives her no weapon with which to beat them back. She must stand and see her boy torn asunder unless she can persuade a majority of the male citizens twenty-one years of age to come to the rescue.

FORWARD.

My dear sisters, some of you have passed the Great Divide in life and are going down the western slope of the mountain. The last rays of setting sun touch hair grown silvery in the work of abolishing the saloon; the eye is losing sight of earthly things only to catch new glimpses of the heavenly vision which is dawning for you. The hand is not so strong for battle as it was in earlier years, but strength has given way to tenderness of touch which has power to draw lost men and women into the kingdom. When you enlisted in the White Ribbon Army, it was for victory or until the Great Commander should give you an honorable discharge from our earthly ranks by calling you into the heavenly. You have worn our little badge over hearts true and faithful since the Crusade, through years of unpopularity and criticism. The work has been hard, but you have remained true to the truth which God

gave you, and as liberal Boaz commanded his men to do for faithful Ruth, so God has let fall some stalks of golden grain that you might have the joy of gathering them. Your lives of service have inspired us of a younger generation to take up the work which you in time must law down, and we pledge you that we will never allow our colors to be trailed in the dust of selfishness and indifference, but will obey the command given by Paul, "Bear hardness as a good soldier for Jesus Christ."

"Just where you stand in the conflict,
There is your place;
Just where you think you are useless,
Hide not your face.
God placed you there for a purpose,
Whatever it be;
Think He has chosen you for it —
Work loyally.
Gird on your armor; be faithful
At toil or rest,
Whichever it be, never doubting
God's way is best.
Out in the fight or on picket,
Stand firm and true;
This is the work that your Master
Gives you to do."

May each of us today catch the vision of victory perched upon the banners of a holy, consecrated, advancing army of men and women, from all churches, all parties, and all walks of life, with one leader, the "Wonderful Counsellor, the Mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace." May our faith in our Great Captain be so great this year that when He says "Go forward," we will go, trusting Him to roll away the Red Sea of difficulty, or to close the mouths of the lions which seem to be in our pathway, remembering He has said "For He shall give His angels charge over thee to keep thee in all thy ways."

CULLA J. VANHINGER.

ORGANIZATION.

During the year thirty-three new Unions have been organized as follows:

Wells County—Seven; organized by Mrs. Walmer.
Grant County—Two; organized by Mrs. Shugart.
Jefferson County—Two; organized by Mrs. Vayhinger.
Adams County—Two; organized by Mrs. Walmer.
Ripley County—One; organized by Miss Palmer.
Dubois County—Four; organized by Mrs. Kate Lee.
Tippecanoe County—Two; organized by Miss Elizabeth Parker.
Lawrence County—One; organized by Miss Palmer.
Jay County—One; organized by Mrs. Walmer.
Hamilton County—Four; organized by Mrs. Vayhinger.
Hamilton County—One; organized by Miss Palmer.
Franklin County—One; organized by Mrs. Vayhinger.
Kosciusko County—One.
Bartholomew County—One; organized by Mrs. Stanley.
Vanderburg County—One; organized by Mrs. Stanley.
Jackson County—Two; organized by Mrs. Goodacre.
Hamilton, Jackson and Dubois Counties have all come into the list of organized counties.

FIELD WORK.

Only three National workers, Mrs. Brand, Mrs. Florence Richards, and Miss Jennie Smith, have been in the State this year, but Mrs. Vayhinger and Mrs. Stanley have worked indefatigably to make up the deficiencies.

REPORTING.

Much emphasis was laid on the matter of reporting. While the important thing is to do the work, having done it, it is an inspiration to other counties to hear of your success.

Sixteen counties have reported every quarter, but some others have not been heard from during the year. The following is gleaned from the reports:

Fifty County Conventions reported, but many more have been held. Mass meetings reported, 133; regular meetings, 2,020; subscriptions to Union Signal, 518; signatures to the pledge, 3,063; money spent for literature, \$192.86.

Now, dear Local Corresponding Secretaries, the foregoing, I am sure, is far below the amount of work done during the year, but your State Secretary can report only what is reported to her. Will you not the coming year report promptly and fully? Let this be your motto: "I do magnify my office."

MARY E. WOODARD,
Corresponding Secretary.

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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LOS ANGELES.

The Indiana party left Indianapolis at midnight, October 17th, in a special sleeper enroute for Los Angeles to attend the National W. C. T. U. convention.

The party was large—full list of names given elsewhere in The Message—everybody was happy and brought good cheer and over filled lunch baskets. The young ladies of the party and Master Henry Morse added greatly to the pleasure of the trip. Their first service was in passing the Indiana badges, these were pinned on every member of the party and on the Pullman conductor and porter.

Printed copies of some of our White Ribbon song leaflets were distributed on the first day and used every day during the trip; especially was "Some Glad Day" and "Woman's Cause Shall Win" made familiar to all, both in sentiment and words.

At Colorado Springs one day and night was spent and a part of a day at Salt Lake City, arriving at Los Angeles at nine o'clock on the morning of October 24th. The days were happily spent in viewing the scenery, sending of souvenir post-cards, the writting of letters, getting out of the coach at one of the stations up in the mountains or out on the wide expanse of desert where ranchers, miners and cattlemen were to be seen occasionally. The preparation and eating of three meals a day was greatly enjoyed. Mrs. Sherfey loaned her alcohol stove, Mrs. Vayhinger divided her butter and pickles with those less fortunate. Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall shared her nice fresh eggs with those who would cook them on the shares. Mrs. Falls made good tea; Mr. and Mrs. Wilhite always had a daintily prepared meal, and had a table cloth; all had tables but before the journey was finished some used papers instead of table cloths. Grant county good things were in evidence in the baskets of Mrs. Newkirk, Mrs. Carr and Miss Carr and Miss Iva Cogshall, Mrs. Winslow, Miss Winslow, Miss Overmyer and Mr. John W. Harvey. Miss Mary Woodard and Miss Laura Cammack divided fried chicken with those who did not ask too many questions concerning their early rising. Mrs. M. A. Tompkins shared her fruit and her genial good nature with all. Mrs. Bugbee and Mrs. Lee took a walk at Colorado Springs and found their way back to our sleeper. Elizabeth Sherfey and Susie McWhirter were well supplied with souvenir cards at Salt Lake City. Mrs. Ramsey and Miss Daggy would rather travel with us than any other way. My! but we were glad to find them at Pueblo. At the close of every day a Gospel Temperance meeting was held, the program of which would have been greatly appreciated by our best church audiences.

The morning of our arrival at Los Angeles all of our party was up early to see the orange groves and tropical vegetation. At Pomona, out a few miles from Los Angeles, great arm-loads of the finest roses were sent into one coach by White Ribbon friends, with them came a card from H. Heathman and wife of Ft. Wayne, Ind.

We arrived in Los Angeles all in fine spirits, our welcome at the station was extended by the reception committee, one of whom was a former Greencastle White Ribboner, and by representatives of the press. A photograph by the Los Angeles Herald artist was taken of our party, just beside our coach as we landed. The picture appeared in the Herald next morning, it was at the top of the first page and four columns wide, the faces were so good that although there were so many of us they were easily recognized. A full list of names accompanied the picture. The result of the appearance of this picture and list of names of the Indiana party being given brought to many of our Indiana people letters, calls and invitations from former friends, now residing in Los Angeles and vicinity.

Headquarters of the Indiana W. C. T. U. was at the Palmyra Hotel, one square from the convention church. The three days before the opening day of the convention were spent in sight-seeing by the delegates while the executive was in session. On Wednesday evening a reception to the delegates and visitors was given at the Chamber of Commerce. A committee of fifty prominent gentlemen wearing white ribbon badges extended a cordial welcome as they came, to the hundreds of people representing all States in the Union.

A beautiful address of welcome was delivered by President Koepfli of the chamber of com-

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Mrs. Lucy Blanchard.
President Los Angeles W. C. T. U.

The Los Angeles Union has a paid membership of more than one thousand regular members besides several hundred honorary members.

The meetings are held in the First M. E. church every Thursday afternoon at two o'clock. The weekly church bulletin announces the W. C. T. U. meeting just the same as it announces its own services.

In Los Angeles there is a Federation of W. C. T. U. Unions numbering twenty-three of which the Los Angeles Union is one.

LEGISLATION AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Excerpts from an Address by Mrs. Margaret Dye
Ellis Before the National W. C. T. U. Convention, Los Angeles, California,

October 31, 1905.

One of the first things we tried to do upon taking up the work in Washington was to get liquor out of the Capitol restaurants; one on the Senate side, and one on the House side. Here liquors of all kinds were served whenever called for. Bills to do away with this state of things were presented from time to time, but failed to come to a successful ending. However, about a year and a half ago, when the Immigration bill was pending in the House, and amendment after amendment was being presented, Hon. Charles K. Landis of Indiana held one in his hand which read, "That the sale of alcoholic liquors shall be prohibited in the Capitol building at Washington, D. C.," and followed this by another reading, "That the sale of alcoholic liquors in immigration stations be prohibited." Somehow—no one can tell just how it came to pass—when the Immigration bill passed the House, those two amendments were still there.

Then the bill went to the Senate. When the many amendments were being considered, the one prohibiting the sale of liquor in the Capitol building provoked instant and curious attention. What had that to do with immigration? It was not germane to the subject, and instantly senators were on their feet seeking light and moving to have this strange amendment withdrawn; but Senator Berry, of Arkansas, who had been a Confederate general in the civil war, arose and said: "This amendment shall receive my vote. It has been placed here with an object; and here I shall stay, if my vote can help make it stay!" And sure enough when that bill passed the Senate the sale of alcoholic liquors stopped in the Capitol building at Washington, D. C., as well as at the ports of entry!

How vigorously the anti-canteen fight was waged you all know. It was no one agency, no one organization, which brought this to pass, but a combined effort of the Anti-Saloon League, with its brave legislative superintendent, Rev. E. C. Dinwiddle; the Reform Bureau, with Rev. W. F. Crafts; the National Temperance Society, and the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, with the churches standing shoulder to shoulder, and the arousalment of public sentiment protesting and demanding that the government of the United States should deal as fairly with its

soldiers as great corporations deal with their employees by protecting them from the power of the liquor traffic. When by act of Congress beer was excluded from the canteen, we at once entered an appeal for an appropriation to provide amusement halls for the men in the ranks; and, as a result of these continuous appeals, \$1,800,000 has been appropriated by Congress for post exchange buildings and reception halls at army posts; and we shall continue to ask until every post under the jurisdiction of the United States shall be suitably equipped with a place where the soldier can find diversion and recreation without the debasing influences of a liquor saloon.

That there will be a strong effort, made to have the law repealed at the coming session of congress is a forgone conclusion. Army officers have reported great and serious inroads upon the discipline and morale of the army because beer has been removed might it not be because many of these officers freely use liquor in their clubs and the men in the ranks know this, and in turn complain that they are not fairly dealt with? An effort is being made in many states to secure, through their legislatures, a limit law, prohibiting the sale of liquor within one, two or three miles (five miles is better still of any army post.

Officers are appealing to the war department for a repeal of the law as a preventive of the low dives which spring up outside army posts and prove so harmful to the men. These opinions and reports are echoed, and re-echoed in brewers' journals, whisky weeklies, military sheets, and the press generally, until good people who are opposed to the sale of liquor in the abstract, and would not for the world have a saloon next to their own dwelling, no, nor on the corner of their street, think it best for our soldiers to have it placed before them with the protection and endorsement of the United States government. The revelations recently made in a notorious divorce scandal, were the true inwardness of army life among certain officers was proclaimed on the housetops, shows that drinking bouts among officers and their wives are among the diversions of army life. * * * It is no wonder the men complain; but the contention that low dives have sprung up since the closing of the army saloon is not true. They have always been there and have flourished because of their location, for the man who starts with beer, ends on whisky; and the more men drinking beer, the more patronage for stronger drinks. As an instance, when the beer was taken out of the army, there were nine low dives adjacent to Fort Thomas, Ky., now there are seven. At Fort Meyers, Va., just across the Potomac river bridge from Washington, where a number of these vile places which the soldiers were compelled to pass every time they went over to the city, and some of the men, knowing they were a constant menace, started a petition among themselves, with the result that Judge Nicol of Alexandria county, Va., refused every one of the eleven applications for license, thus closing all of the dives in proximity to the post.

Congressman Littlefield and Mr. Dinwiddle have just returned from a trip abroad, where they have been studying the liquor problem in the armies of England, France and Germany, for without doubt we shall have a renewal of the canteen fight this winter. But to my mind one of the greatest object lessons of all time has been the clean, wholesome lives of Japanese soldiers, who, almost to a man, are total abstainers; while the Russians are notorious users of alcoholics.

Under the dome of the Capitol has come another victory, for, after long years of hiding its evil head, the Mormon monster has been brought forth and exposed to the gaze of the world. In one of the State Committee rooms day after day, week after week, has the probing been going on. To be sure, a representative of the Mormon priesthood, Apostle Reed Smoot of Utah, occupies the exalted position of Senator of the United States; but if the women of the United States have any influence in the matter Reed Smoot will be returned to his home in Provo, Utah, as a private citizen.

And statehood, what had the W. C. T. U. to do with this question? Why should temperance women be especially interested in the movements of Congress concerning statehood? That we could or should have a special interest never dawned upon us until our Seattle Convention four years ago, when the president of Indian

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FOR FIELD WORK IN INDIANA.

Every Union is asked to contribute not less than one dollar and fifty cents for Field Work this year. The contribution to be made to our State Treasurer, Miss Clara Sears, 222 W. 14th St., Anderson, Ind. With our efficient corps of State officers in Indiana, we will be able to accomplish much by going into places calling for help, if the Unions will all contribute toward this fund. Now is the time to send this annual offering, so that early in the year the work may be planned and a campaign inaugurated. This State will not be won for temperance and prohibition, until all people who are interested will lend a hand.

If your Union does not have the money in the treasury, go to some earnest christian men and women and lay the case before them, tell them of our need, of the power and strong organization of the liquor men, and there are few towns where the W. C. T. U. women could not secure many dollars for this great cause in one afternoon.

Of course whatever a Union sends will be greatly appreciated. Work and pray for this plan, send as large a contribution to this Field Work as you can and victories will be won for our homes against the liquor traffic before another year.

Individual contributions to the Field Fund will be especially appreciated. This liquor warfare is coming to be a hand to hand fight. Every temperance man and woman can help by contributing. There are many who will do so. As faith I can see the faces of some blessed women who will consider it a privilege to contribute toward this Field Fund.

NO ALCOHOL IN MEDICINE.

The Physio-Medical School of Medicine seeks to restore the normal functions by assisting nature in eliminating the toxic element which produces disease. To do this agents are used which have for their inherent properties those elements which increase the normal resistive functions of the cell. This has been the fundamental principle of Physio-medication from its inception; hence agents which have not this property, but instead, a death-dealing effect, are not only discarded, but their use condemned. Many of the so-called medicines not only attack the living cell of which the body is a symmetrical aggregate, depriving them of this vitality, obliterating their functional value and rendering them obnoxious to the human economy, but as Alcohol, tobacco, morphine, cocaine, etc., create in the system an insatiable appetite for their toxic effect, the awful results with which we are all too familiar. Physio-medicalism proudly boasts of having no such results laid at her door.

Because of this faith in such a practice of medicine J. L. Johnston, of Los Angeles, Calif., paid \$68,000 for the old Northwestern University site, more recently The Indianapolis Orphans Home on College Avenue, Indianapolis, and has presented it to the Physio-Medical College of Indiana, where four years' course is open to students. Officers of the faculty are C. N. Harold, M. D., dean; C. L. Bedford, M. D., secretary.

OFFICIAL.

My Dear Sisters:—State and National Conventions are now over and we are writing the record of another year. Many letters have come to me giving plans for work which has been already begun, telling of new members coming into our Unions, new organizations started and many other encouraging things. Surely the year is starting well. The fact that we have the largest membership we have ever had in the State of Indiana should encourage us to double it this year. We must have the National Star Spangled Banner next year, which is given for the greatest gain in membership, not for the sake of the banner, but for the sake of the women.

Many calls are coming from counties having only one Union, some no Union at all, asking for a worker under our new organization plan. If every woman will do her duty this year we will have a Union in every county in the State, and many banner counties having six Unions with at least ten paid members in each Union. Dear heart if you have a friend in town which has no Union, will you not work on her and try to get her interested in the work so she will plan for an organization. Talk to your pastor, get him to help you. If the principles of our beloved organization are right, they are worth working for. Let's show the liquor power of Indiana that there is another power at work in the State, coupled to the dynamos of God by the two links faith and works, which will never cease plying its battering rams until their bulwarks which surround the licensed saloon of the State are razed to the ground. Let each woman build on the work next to her, in her adjoining community or county. Keep in touch with the State officers by writing often to them with information about new fields ready to enter for organization.

Miss Woodard has 500 copies of the Union Signal convention members, which she wishes to place in your hands at 5 cents each. Send your names and addresses, with your money to her and she will see that you get the papers with the report of the National Convention. We have a new secretary or Y work this year, and I feel sure that she will put the same zeal into the organization of Y's that she puts into everything else, and our work will move off grandly. Write Mrs. Josephine Wallmer, Bluffton, concerning the work.

Our dear, untiring L. T. L. secretary, Mrs. Ida Mix must have your help for our Legion work. Plan to organize a Legion and write her for help. Pray unceasingly for the baptism of the spirit upon each woman in the work.

Yours,
CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

Dear Co-workers: The first quarter of the new W. C. T. U. year is almost gone, and we are hoping that the reports will show much activity on the part of our women throughout the State. Every local Union must have caught something of the spirit of enthusiasm and good cheer which prevailed all the sessions of our State Convention, and which your delegates must have carried home to you. Those of us who were privileged to attend our great National gathering in Los Angeles, have come back full of enthusiasm for our cause, and with a determination that our beloved State shall forge to the front. Indiana stood third this year in gain in membership. Now dear sisters, shall we not place Indiana first next year? Our plan of work for 1905-'06 says we will try to double our membership this year. This is not too high an aim. Let every woman now a member win one woman to our cause and the thing is done. Many Unions over the State are already hard at it. What about yours? There should be several copies of the State Report in every Union and a careful study should be made of the plan of work. Decide early in the year what part you will attempt to carry out and work to that end.

Every superintendent of a department should read the report of the State Superintendent of her department.

The State reports may be obtained from your State treasurer, Miss Clara Sears, or from your State corresponding secretary.

The programs for local Unions given in the report will be very helpful and if carried out will add much to the interest of your meetings. If each local Union would prepare an interesting program and hold a meeting in some town or neighborhood where there is no W. C. T. U. it will do much to prepare the way for an organizer.

There is a wonderful opening in Indiana at this time for W. C. T. U. work. We must make the most of it. Let our rally cry for the year be "Five thousand new members."

Yours in the service,
MARY E. WOODARD.

To the State Superintendents.

"Make a chain for the land is full of bloody crimes."

The desire and purpose of the State superintendents is to make this claim so strong and far-reaching that our influence and efforts may be more effective than ever.

At the State convention the Board named Mrs.

Smith of Indianapolis, Mrs. Lida Outland of Up-land and myself, a committee to formulate plans for this body. We therefore request each State superintendent to please send to this committee at once any suggestions or plans she may have for her department.

At our next State convention we hope to have each State superintendent hold a conference for her county and local workers and all others who care to attend such conferences, to be held at a uniform time. We would suggest that, as far as possible, each State superintendent secure a bannerette with the name of her department on it, so that persons can more readily locate where each especial conference is being held. Bannerettes can be secured for 25 cents and probably less.

Yours for service,
KATHRYN WERT HOLLER,
Pres. Board of Superintendents.

South Bend.

THE NOVEMBER MESSAGE.

By action of the State Convention the printing of The Message was changed from Indianapolis to Anderson, the home of the State Treasurer who has the entire business management of the paper, including the charge of the entire subscription list.

Because of the plan of the editor, Mrs. McWhirter to attend the National Convention at Los Angeles, October 27th to November 2d, it was decided to have the Indianapolis printer, Mr. Joseph Ratti to print the November Message. When consulted regarding this matter, Mr. Ratti was displeased at the decision of the convention regarding the change of printers, but the editor understood that he would print the November issue. Much copy for The Message was sent to him by the editor with instructions to include a two-page supplement. The editor journeyed Westward, attended the convention and returned to Indianapolis after an absence of five weeks. Great indeed was her surprise and consternation to know that Mr. Ratti had not printed the paper. After waiting for days, the friend who had kindly consented to read the proof for the editor sent for it and Mr. Ratti said he had not printed The Message and did not intend to do so. Then it was that information concerning the conditions was communicated to Miss Clara Sears, the State treasurer. The editor, the State president and State corresponding secretary all being gone to California. Miss Sears immediately arranged with the Anderson Herald Co., to put out The Message. Such "copy" as had been forwarded by Mr. Ratti to Miss Sears, she used with a copy of the State president's address and published the November issue of The Message.

To make up the form to get out the first issue of any publication requires much care and painstaking. Besides this Miss Sears had to read and correct 5,500 names and addresses of the subscribers. This great task could only be accomplished by our dear faithful Miss Sears by the kindness and help of the Anderson Herald Co.

For the love and loyalty of Miss Sears and the kindness of the Anderson Herald Co. the editor is deeply appreciative.

LEGISLATION AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

(Continued from first page.)

Territory stood before us and with great earnestness said: "Tell us what to do. We are in danger. The women of the country must help us!" and then we looked into the subject, and found, that, for seventy years, this government had, in treaty after treaty, covenanted in the most solemn manner with the five civilized tribes of Indian Territory that liquor should never be sold in their midst "while the grass should grow, or the water flow;" and now politicians, fearing a change of politics in the national councils if two many states were admitted, decreed that geographically Oklahoma and Indian Territory should become one, never for an instance taking into consideration the promises made concerning liquor; and that, if Oklahoma and Indian Territory are merged into one, it will mean free liquor for the new state.

We are in this battle to win; and we shall keep at this, too, until by act of Congress the question is settled, and set right. The liquor power is equally determined. They have money, political power, votes, and influence, while we have no money, no votes, and not much influence, but a wonderful power of stick-to-itiveness and faith in God. As David went forth to combat the giant of Gath with a few small pebbles from the brook, but with faith in the God of Israel, so we go forth conquering and to conquer.

MARION COUNTY.

At a call meeting of the county superintendents it was deemed advisable to divide the twenty-five departments into four sections, each section with its chairman, secretary and treasurer, to hold conference in January, March, June and August. In this way getting the subject of temperance before the public oftener than in the past.

MRS. NETTIE H. COHEA,
332 N. Arsenal Ave.

NATIONAL CONVENTION NOTES.

President Stevens' address was able, forceful and comprehensive. Every temperance worker should have a copy for reference and help. Send five cents to Miss Ruby I. Gilbert, 137 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill., with request to send you a copy of the address and ask for free catalogue of publications.

There were more than five hundred voting delegates in the convention. The Treasurer's report showed a balance in the National Treasury of \$2,223.62 after all bills were paid. Indiana is justly very proud of the ability of Mrs. Harriet W. Brand the treasurer. She belongs to Indiana. Nine States made a gain of 500 or more members since the convention of 1904. They were, Ohio, 1,103; Michigan, 881; Indiana, 808; Northern California, 583; New York, 550; Nebraska, 531; Illinois, 511; Florida, 507; Wisconsin, 504. Ohio won the National Star Spangled Banner.

In Los Angeles many of the churches opened their pulpits for the W. C. T. U. speakers on Sunday. Generous indeed were the free will offerings at these services. At the First M. E. church in the morning after an address by Mrs. Ella Thatcher the offering for the W. C. T. U. was \$61.00 and in the same church in the evening after an address by Mrs. Clara Hoffman the offering was \$64.00.

The Medal Contest banner was awarded to Kentucky. The W. C. T. U. Institute Banner went to Ohio.

Miss Laura Cammack, superintendent of press department of Indiana was awarded a prize for excellent work done in her department.

For State Jubilee Night the presidents of the nine states making a gain of 500 or over in membership arranged the program. Each state had seven minutes, this time was used at discretion of State President, some took all of the time others spoke briefly and introduced some of their workers. Nearly every State delegation stood and sang their State song at the conclusion of their president's address. Indiana did well. Only one other State has a president who can sing as well as our Mrs. Vayhinger, she led, and our Indiana people sang:

"Indiana's heard the bugle
O, army tried and true,
You may count on Indiana
Till the stars fade from the blue."

Every State President received a token of appreciation and love from her delegation. Our delegation gave Mrs. Vayhinger a beautiful Japanese tea set.

...Mrs. Harriet W. Brand, our loved National Treasurer, who belongs to Indiana, was remembered at this time also, the Indiana delegation presented her with a beautiful green leather pillow cover upon which was the California flower—the Poinsettia.

The Pasadena Day was greatly enjoyed. The day after the close of the convention the delegates and visitors accepted an invitation of the Pasadena Union. All went out on an interurban line from Los Angeles. At Pasadena the hundreds of white ribbons were met with buggies, carriages and automobiles and taken for a drive over the beautiful city where Prohibition prohibits. After the drive all were taken to Woodman's Hall where 600 were received by the local committee. Guests were all seated and each guest was handed a lunch box containing a dainty and delicious lunch of sandwiches, salad, meats, grapes, raisins, fresh figs and nuts. Hot coffee and lemonade served to all. After the lunch an informal reception followed. Many of the visitors went to Mt. Love. Nearly one hundred accepted the invitation of the local committee to rest at the hotel Maryland during the afternoon. Ten rooms and two parlors had been provided for their comfort. Each room had a bath room attached. During the afternoon tea and wafers were served to the guests and an invitation accepted to dine that evening from the proprietor, who although too ill to dine with the ladies desired that they should be his guests. The hotel rates were \$1.50 per meal.

At Santa Monica Mrs. Helen Eaton and Dr. Sarah Morris entertained the white ribboners most hospitably at luncheon, after which there were speeches by the national officers and others.

At Whittier the white ribboners marched from the interurban station to the M. E. church between double rows of L. T. L. boys and girls, who presented each delegate with a beautiful flower. In the church the service opened with a welcome song by the L. T. L. The mayor said Whittier people are proud that we have no saloons, and although if we do not have any saloon revenue the population is rapidly increasing. Greetings were extended by the president of the W. C. T. U., the pastors of the churches of the W. C. T. U., the pastors of the churches and the president of the Friends College. Miss Marie Brehm, of Illinois, presided and introduced state presidents and national speakers. Informal speech making was the order of the

day, after which all the delegates were invited to the Friends church where a good substantial lunch was served with many kinds of fruit. A ride about the city was planned and the hospitality of the Whittier W. C. T. U. day closed with an informal reception at Hotel Greenleaf.

At Santa Barbara as our train came into the station white ribboners were waiting to greet us; an elaborate luncheon was served in the Presbyterian church, 150 plates were laid. Many kinds of fruit being served. Delightful after-dinner speeches were made and a general good time was enjoyed. Here it was our privilege to meet Mrs. J. W. Wright of Jonesboro, Ind., who is spending the winter there. Many beautiful roses were given to us by these dear white ribbon sisters.

Responsibility for the Saloon in Local Option States.

Although the ultimate products of the American saloon are crime, poverty, misery and madness, only the ballots of a majority of the voters can close that saloon. Hence the supreme importance of that majority being educated as to the evil nature and effects of the drinks the saloon has to sell, as these facts are shown by modern science.

Scientific Temperance Instruction, which is compulsory in all the public schools of this country, is the only instrumentality by which we can acquaint the majority with these facts, and it can be done only when the study of temperance physiology is thoroughly pursued in the lower as well as in the more advanced grades; for school statistics show that the average attendance in this country is only about five years of 200 school days each. The community, therefore, that carelessly allows this study to be neglected or to put into the upper grades only, omitting it in the primary and fourth and fifth years, is providing a temperance education for only a minority of the future voters who will be helplessly voted down on the saloon question by the untaught majority.

Three things are essential to a thorough enforcement of a temperance educational law:

1. The adoption of the school board of a course of study like the International which shows the progressive topics that should be taught each year, beginning with the first primary.

2. An oral lesson book in the hands of primary teachers as a guide in giving oral instruction on this subject to the pupils in the three primary years; an indorsed primer in temperance physiology to be studied by fourth year children; a more advanced indorsed text-book on this subject for fifth and sixth year pupils; a still more advanced one for seventh and eighth year pupils; and an indorsed high school physiology for pupils in the first year of the high school. Three, or at most four, lessons per week for ten weeks each year with the above helps will insure a no-saloon majority of coming voters in the next essential is met, which is:

3. The School Physiology Journal in the hands of the teacher in each grade as a guide and help in teaching this vital subject. To provide the first two essentials, the International Course of Study, and an oral lesson book for primary teachers with well graded indorsed text-books for pupils' use above the primary, we must depend upon the action of the school board; but supplying the teachers with the third essential, the School Physiology Journal is entirely within the power of each local Union. Every such Union that wishes to do its part to hasten the day of non-saloon will immediately, if it has not already, send to 23 Trull street, Boston, Mass., for the Journals for their teachers.

Do you say, "We are doing other temperance work?"

That is right, if you have attended first to these three essentials, but if not, you are neglecting work for that majority whose ballots alone can close the saloon.

Two young Royal Legioners said, "In a few years we shall be members of the legislature, and then you'll see!"

But these well trained Legioners will be in the hopeless minority voted down by the saloon majority if the temperance people neglect Scientific Temperance Instruction to favor Loyal Temperance Legion work, for the latter reaches only a few thousand children, while the public schools of the State reach more than a million and a half, the majority of the future voters on the saloon question. A thousand citizens are outvoted by a million every me.

I repeat what I have said before, "The child is born who will see the last legalized saloon, brewery and distillery go from our land," and he will not be very old either when that glad day comes, if we now remember to do our first work first. But every neglect on our part to secure the foregoing three essentials in the public schools of our communities is putting off the day of no-saloon.

Every local option State that has a good scientific temperance instruction law has in its own hands the instrumental ties for closing its saloons. If its saloons are not closed, whose fault is it?

MAY H. HUNT.

W. C. T. U. INSTITUTES.

At the last State convention held at Brazil, I was appointed to succeed Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall as State Superintendent of Institute Work.

In taking up the work, which our dear sister, after so many years of faithful and untiring service, lays down; I feel that as I only have the loving help and co-operation of the dear women all over the State, I can hope to make any measure of success.

To many of you I am not a stranger. During the six years in which I have been associated with Mrs. Hall as an institute leader and worker, it has been my joy and privilege to meet many of you in your homes, to enjoy your hospitality, and to come very close to your warm loving hearts. Because I know how true hearted and loyal you are to every department of our work, I feel sure that you will, all of you, "hold up my hands" and by the help of our Heavenly Father, do your best to make the Institute Season of 1906 one of the best our beloved State has ever known. Let our motto for this year be "An Institute in Every County."

Let the White Ribboners who live in counties that are not organized, try to make plane for an Institute at some point, and thus start the good work.

The schedules of dates and leaders will be published in the January Message, also farther information regarding this work. Dear County president will you not write me at once telling me that your county will fall in line and also giving me any other information which may be helpful. Eight hundred new members reported at one State convention. These all need instruction in plans and methods. Shall we not give it them by means of this department.

Depending upon your prayers and practical help, I am, yours to serve,

ROSE PEARCE,

II. Tim. 11,15.

Dana, Ind.

FOR COUNTY PRESIDENTS.

The following is a copy of the type written questions sent out by Mrs. Gipe, president of Marion county, to each local president in her county:

1. What was your paid membership at the close of the year 1904?
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3. How many honorary members has your union?
4. How many regular meetings have you held during the year?
5. How many executive meetings?
6. How many red letter days have you observed?
7. How many public meetings or lectures?
8. How many State officers have visited your Union?
9. How many county officers?
10. How many county executives have you attended?
11. How many Union Signals are taken in your Union?
12. Do you announce your regular meetings in the local papers?
13. Do your members wear the white ribbon?
14. How many contests has your Union held?
15. Total amount expended by the Union during the year?
16. Do you support a Loyal Temperance Legion?
17. In what line of work have you had the greatest success?
18. Does each paid member receive "The Message?"

LOS ANGELES.

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merse. Our National President Mrs. Lillian M. K. Stevens responded. Followed by short able addresses by Mrs. Katherine L. Stephenson, of Boston and Mrs. Clara Hoffman, of Missouri. There were several short speeches by prominent people after which social introductions and greetings were enjoyed.

On Thursday eve a reception was tendered the National Officers and delegates by the W. C. T. U. in the beautiful auditorium and parlors in the Temperance Temple which is owned by the W. C. T. U.

On Friday, October 27th the greatest convention of the National W. C. T. U. convened in the First Congregational church and continued in session until November 1st. The church had the very largest auditorium in Los Angeles and at every meeting the seating capacity was taxed, hundreds of people standing. Overflow meetings were held during the day time and in the evening. Every evening hundreds were unable to gain admission. The decorations were beautiful, especially was the profusion of flowers enjoyed a narrow high pan made in shape of the platform encircling the platform. This was kept filled with flowers each day and they were changed, cysanthemums, cornations, roses or scarlet geraniums, in such profusion that we could scarcely realize the truth of our own eyes.

The hospitality of the Los Angeles people, the courtesy and generosity of the press were only excelled by the magnificent climate.

FIELD NEWS

The Madison W. C. T. U. called Judge Geo. W. Stubbs, judge of the Marion county Juvenile Court, for an address on the "Relation of the Cigarette to Juvenile Crime." The Judge speaks with authority upon his chosen subject. A few days later the mayor of the city issued an order to arrest any one found smoking a cigarette. The women have pledged more than six hundred boys and girls in the Sunday Schools.

Poseyville, Posey county, has a new W. C. T. U. with twenty-five members, with Mrs. Alice Montgomery as president.

Kendallville was organized with thirty-four members by Mrs. F. B. Perkins, who was chosen president of the new Union. She comes to us from Ohio and is a valuable addition to our cause in Indiana.

Dr. Martha Kellar, president of LaFayette Union sends out their program and membership cards, and the Union is building up under her wise leadership. Many new members are being added.

Frankfort is planning for a visit from Mrs. Vayhinger, hoping to build up the work and organize some new Unions.

Mrs. Vayhinger says: Many calls come from over the State asking for organizations. Let the Unions send in their offerings for the organization fund so that the work may be carried on.

Mrs. Luella McWhirter was invited to speak to the great Los Angeles W. C. T. U. the Thursday following the convention in Los Angeles. She addressed a magnificent audience of representative women and they declared it one of the finest addresses to which they had ever listened.

Los Angeles Members of Indiana Party.

State president, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Madison, State corresponding secretary, Miss Mary Woodard, Fountain City, National superintendent W. C. T. U. Institutes, Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall, Franklin, State superintendent Parliamentary Law, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart, State superintendent Press Department, Miss Laura Cammack, Converse, Mr. F. T. McWhirter, Indianapolis, editor The Message, Mrs. F. T. McWhirter and Miss Susie McWhirter, Indianapolis, Mrs. Helen Sherfey, Miss Elizabeth Sherfey and Mrs. Ella C. Fall, Brazil, Mrs. Margaret Newkirk, Swayzee, Mrs. Cynthia A. Winslow and Miss Ella Winslow, Fairmount, Mrs. Mary P. Bugbee, South Bend, Miss Ina Coggeshall and Miss Elah Overmyer, Marion, Mrs. T. L. McCay, Brooksburg, Miss Nannie Quillan, Upland, Mr. and Mrs. William W. Wilhite, Monrovia, Mrs. Cora Carr and Miss Georgia Carr, Marion, Mrs. Carrie Jones and Mrs. Mary C. Gremer, Terre Haute, Miss Clara M. Zaring, Franklin, Mrs. T. H. Johnson, Hartford City, Mr. Lemiel Johnson, Roll, Mrs. Maggie Templeton, little Beatrice Templeton, Mrs. Anna E. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Morse, Miss Anna Morse and W. H. Morse, Jr., Hartford City, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gilmore, Bloomington, Mr. John W. Harvey, Fairmount, Mrs. Lydia A. Poindexter, Indianapolis, Mrs. W. A. Ramsey and Miss Cordie Daggy, Bedford.

The Carmel Union held a public meeting on the evening of October 22d, at the Friends' church, Carmel. A literary program, consisting of music, original papers, recitation and short speeches, entertained a large and attentive audience. The pastors of the different churches encouraged and commended the work of the W. C. T. U. in five-minute speeches.

At Lawrenceburg a number of young boys and girls met at the home of Mrs. G. E. Wencke, Sunday afternoon, October 29th, where they, with the help of Mrs. Jennie Ward, of Guilford, organized a Loyal Temperance Legion, electing the following officers: president, Carl Wencke; vice-president, Lessie Kepper; corresponding secretary, Mabel Howlin; recording secretary, Ruth Dame; treasurer, Charley Cole.

The Legion will meet every other week in the future.

Grant County. Soon after State convention an all-day meeting of officers and superintendents was held in Library Hall, Marion. Mrs. Gulie J. Shugart, presided. Plans were laid for the work of the new year. Money was appropriated to carry on the work of the different departments.

Deer Creek Union held an entertainment, November 12th, to raise its part of the State organization fund. A free-will offering was secured amounting to a little more than five dollars. Since the State convention this Union has sent fifteen dollars to the Hadley School. The contest superintendents are busy. Grant county has set out for one hundred new members this year.

The Trafalgar W. C. T. U. met at the home of Rev. Rose, November 1st. Rev. Krauf and wife of Whiteland were present and helped to reorganize the Union. Eleven members were present and a fine meeting was reported.

The Editorial Association of the National W. C. T. U. held a meeting in connection with the banquet at Hotel Livingston on Saturday night. The adoption of a constitution and by-laws was of special interest. Editors and business managers of National and State papers only being eligible to membership. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: president, Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, Indiana; vice president, Mrs. Jennie M. Kemp, Illinois; secretary, Mrs. Nellie H. Hutchins, New York; treasurer, Mrs. Lillian T. Burt, Ohio.

MARION COUNTY.

Broad Ripple Union have planned for eight meetings on World's Temperance Sunday in each of the eight churches. They expect to reorganize their L. T. L. and to meet Friday evenings in the High School building. Their next W. C. T. U. meeting will be December 13th, with Mrs. Lyda Heady.

Indianapolis North East Union, October 10th, lost one of their members, Mrs. Moler, who will be greatly missed from their meetings. The W. C. T. U. burial service was used and was very impressive. Twelve members participating in the service.

November 9th the Board of County Superintendents held a very successful conference in the Universalist church—an all-day meeting. There were twenty of the superintendents present with their plans of work for the coming year. These plans will appear in the Phalans, copies of which can be procured from your local president.

Meridian W. C. T. U. held a Mothers' meeting with Mrs. Beckett in her beautiful new home—November 8th, their regular meeting. A paper was read by Mrs. Gipe which was very instructive.

For One Hundred Members.—Warren held a very interesting meeting at which the State convention was reported by those who attended. Much interest was manifested. Two Mothers' meetings of unusual interest held. Arrangements are made for an Anti-Narcotic meeting to be held. Other red letter days will be observed. Attendance the best in our history. Gaining in membership, expect to have one hundred members before next State convention.

Elwood—A parlör meeting was held with Mrs. Julia A. Mills, three new members were received and an excellent report of the State convention was given by Miss Cora F. Iesley. There were several musical numbers by Rev. and Mrs. Frank Kreiger and Miss Blanche Kitchen. A touching tribute by the president, Mrs. Adair, relative to the departure of Mrs. Krieger and response by that lady was much appreciated. During the social hour dainty refreshments were served.

The South Kokomo W. C. T. U. women gave a matrons' contest in the Christian church, October 27th and it was a grand success in every particular.

Mrs. Vayhinger organized a new Union at Dupont, Jefferson county, on November 24th, with twenty active and four honorary members. Mrs. Grace Hopple Dryden is the new president.

Rev. M. O. Robbins, pastor of the M. E. church at Blocher, Scott county, is arranging a meeting at that place early in the year for the organization of a W. C. T. U.

Allen County convention at Monroeville, the president, Mrs. Flora Barnhart, presiding. Mrs. J. F. Kinsey president of the Willard Union of Ft. Wayne reported that Willard Union had more than doubled its membership during the year and was in a prosperous condition. Boston Union reported an increased membership and an active busy year. Holding six silver and one gold medal contests, one parlör meeting, one institute, one mass meeting, and one patriotic picnic, circulated one petition, also a remonstrance, and are planning more aggressive work. Dinner was served in the church parlors by Boston Union. Several interesting papers were read, Revs. Kuhn, Powers, and Eagy made short addresses which were very encouraging. The kindly face and helpful interest of Rev. G. W. Martin was missed, he being absent holding a meeting. The evening was occupied by a gold medal contest. The contestants were five young ladies. Miss Myrtle Martin receiving the medal. A quartette of gentlemen furnished the music. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. J. F. Kinsey, 521 W. Third street, Ft. Wayne; vice-president, Mrs. J. C. DeLong, Monroeville; corresponding secretary, Mrs. N. H. Bloom, Ft. Wayne; recording secretary, Miss Ida McIntosh, Hoagland; treasurer, Mrs. Emily McIntosh, Hoagland.

THE MORMON'S CHILD.

[Published by request Local Program Committee.]

Into a happy household,
Where one wife's loving sway
Over the heart of her husband,
Made sunshine all the day;
Came the sweetest expectation,
That can thrill a woman's life,
The holy pain of the mother
To crown the joy of the wife.

But a serpent was creeping, creeping,
Ready with deadly fangs,
To sting the soul of the mother
With worse than child-birth pangs;
For the lecherous faith of the Mormon,
Was wrapping its poisonous fold,
Round the heart she had trusted fully,
And counted as pure as gold.
Her fountain of tears seem frozen,
Her power of feeling dead;
And the winter of woe soon whitened
The gold on the girlish head.

At length came her hour of travail
And the wan lips faintly smiled,
On the gift from heaven so precious,
Her innocent little child.
But strangely old its visage,
And strangely sad its eyes,
Beneath whose beautiful fringes,
The shadow of suffering lies.

While ever, and ever, and ever,
Tears silently fall o'er their brim,
Upbraiding the father's desertion,
Pleading for love from him.
The mother bends over the cradle,
To watch her babe as it sleeps,
But even in infant slumber,
The little one constantly weeps.

Not with moaning or outcry,
But gentle as summer rain,
Trickle, sleeping or waking,
Those pitiful drops of pain;
Till its life is dissolved in weeping,
And the soul of the mother is torn
With a second travail of sorrow,
As her child to the grave is borne.
Oh! Mothers with babies in your bosoms;
Oh! maidens whose lives are a song!
How long will ye suffer your sisters
To faint 'neath this burden of wrong?
—Unknown Author.

Mrs. E. B. Inga's National Superintendent of Anti-Narcotics reported that the best work done in the Nation this year was done in Indiana by the passage of the anti-cigarette law. Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, our efficient and untiring State Superintendent headed the campaign and victory is ours.

The White Ribbon Special was the combined members of special sleepers filled with delegates and visitors from the Eastern and Northern States that met at Chicago and went through to the Los Angeles Convention in two sections. With them were the Loyal Temperance Legioners in a special sleeper.

Indianapolis Central Union has sent a letter to the Indianapolis Ministerial meeting requesting the ministers to preach on the evils of card playing for prizes. Mrs. Frances Boyer, for years the loved and successful president of Clinton county is the newly elected president of Indianapolis Central Union. Four of the general officers of the Union are young women including the assistant treasurer. The recording secretary Miss Helen Potter is a Wellesly graduate of the class of 1905. This Union will hold a rummage sale the second week in January, contributions are desired from every member. For information apply to Mrs. Mary A. Moody, new phone 2847.

Mrs. Sarah Thomas County Press Superintendent of Grant County, sent a very pretty and well made scrap book to the State Convention, made of clippings from Grant County papers. The book was taken to the National Convention at Los Angeles.

IN MEMORIAM.

Edmund P. Potter, husband of Mrs. Ellen L. Potter, ex-president of Pulaski county, W. C. T. U., died of cancer at his home in Oak, October 23d. His grief stricken wife merits the sympathy of all White Ribboners for the tender untiring care she gave him in his long sickness. He was a royal man, his friends were legion, a true christian, a genuine prohibitionist, and loved to work for the cause. He and his noble wife rode over the country holding meetings, and distributing literature. By his death the prohibition cause, the W. C. T. U. and the M. E. church have all lost a true friend.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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TOBACCO SMOKING.

I believe it almost impossible to induce a confirmed smoker to give up the habit, and I speak in this respect from personal experience. I myself in early life was not a smoker. I went through all the arduous work of a medical student by being present at operations in large hospitals, in studying anatomy, in the dissecting and post-mortum rooms, and in the fever hospitals, and I never smoked, though I went through my work with great facility. Later on I learned to smoke, and continued to do so for many years. The whole of that time I was dyspeptic from smoking. I at length resolved to give it up. It was hard work to do so, but I eventually succeeded, and I have never been more thankful than for the day it was accomplished. I gave up wine, beer, and every other alcoholic drink with infinitely less trouble than smoking. It is very difficult to abandon this pernicious habit of smoking. Inveterate smokers are those who commence to smoke early in life. Smoking is, to a certain extent, connected with drinking. Persons who smoke experience a faintness, followed by a nausea, which alcoholic drinks often allay. On this point I can speak from personal experience. I should have been led into the fields of total abstinence five years before I was, had it not been for the smoking habit I had contracted. Whatever we may say about the effects of tobacco smoking in adults, there can be no doubt as to its effects on the young. In them it always produces a state of functional disease which is unquestionably, and of serious character. It stops the proper working of the digestive powers. If it were a fact that all young men and young women were to smoke, and continued the habit until they were fathers and mothers, their offspring would be so stunted and little as to be thoroughly incapable of carrying out the duties required by our generation. We can not praise our mothers too much for the fact that they have not become smokers.—The late Sir B. W. Richardson, M.D., R.R.S.

PUBLIC MEETINGS.

During the winter months much interest will be manifested in public W. C. T. U. meetings. For such meetings engage some one of our splendid speakers. Then set about to arrange every detail for such meetings and announce and advertise. Personal invitations, house to house visits brings excellent results. The young mothers and others will be thus interested when the printed account will not be heeded. Thoroughly arrange for excellent music, stringed and violin especially, then advertise and the people will attend. Arrange for a campaign of members, regular and honorary and you will get them.

Immediately following the address have the collection taken by prominent and influential people. During this time let there be quiet so that the responsibility to give will be felt.

To entertain the State speaker, meet her with conveyance at the station, take her to her place of entertainment and immediately to her room, let it be distinctly understood that she needs rest and the quiet of her room far more than anything else, to prepare herself for a strong mental effort, such as our temperance speakers make who speak extempore, never using a manuscript.

While on visit with the kind family who entertains is delightful to the speaker it prevents her from doing her very best on the platform. After an address she should be taken to her place of entertainment and sent to her room without stopping for a visit with the family. Seldom can our speakers get their nerves quieted after an address until a very late hour any way, sometime not until the wee small hours of the morning. Under such circumstances it is a great favor to them to be allowed to sleep in the morning rather than to eat breakfast, then later an orange or apple and a cup of cocoa and some crackers would be all sufficient.

The fact is this, there is only so much enthusiasm and nervous power in each person, if the speaker uses up nervous energy in the social circle she can not be the great power you desire on the platform.

The Condition of Maine and Ohio affords a most instructive contrast, Ohio, with its 10,000 saloons, and the Pine Tree State without any licensed saloon since 1846. The population of Maine is 661,086, that of Ohio five and a half times as great—namely, 3,672,316; but, on the other hand, the people of Maine have an aggregate savings bank deposit one and a half times larger than that of Ohio—namely, \$55,397,590, as against \$34,606,213, a per capita sum in the case of Maine of \$80.77, in the case of Ohio of \$9.42.

CONSUMPTION OF LIQUORS.

The constant repetition of the statement that the consumption of whiskey is shown to be on the decrease by government reports, appearing in the daily papers and popular journals, makes ready access to the exact facts desirable. The following table gives the consumption per capita of both beer and spirits for nine years past. The figures are taken from the official reports in the Statistical Abstract:

Year	Per capita Consumption in gallons.	
	Spirits	Beer
1896	1.01	15.38
1897	1.02	14.94
1898	1.12	15.96.....
1899	1.18	15.28
1900	1.25	16.01
1901	1.31	16.20
1902	1.36	17.49
1903	1.46	18.04
1904	1.48	18.28

The only ground for the report, given out by the government official and spread broadcast by the papers, that use of whiskey is decreasing, is the fact that, in the fiscal year just closed, a small decrease is reported—about one half of one per cent.—in the amount of domestic spirits that paid tax. The total figures for consumption are not yet available. Of native beer the country drank last year more than 38,000,000 gallons more than ever before in our history.—Exchange.

In Kansas.—To show how Prohibition has reduced the consumption of liquors, we give the following from the report of the U. S. Commissioner of Internal Revenue:

The population of Kansas in round numbers is 1,500,000; that of Nebraska, 1,100,000; of Missouri, 3,200,000.

The total amount of taxes paid to the United States government for the manufacture and sale of intoxicants in each of these States was as follows: In Kansas, \$2,776,908; In Missouri, \$5,576,945. Or for each person in Kansas, \$0.077; in Nebraska, \$2.52½; in Missouri, \$1.74 for each person. To put in other words, licensed Nebraska uses 33 times as much liquor per capita, and Missouri 22 times as much as prohibition Kansas.—Exchange.

FROM THE UNION SIGNAL.

By Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis, superintendent Legislation National W. C. T. U., Washington, D. C.

Bills to the number of 5,633 were introduced during the first four days of Congress. One bill presented December 13 by Hon. R. Wayne Parker of New Jersey, asked that Congress restore the sale of fermented, malt beverages and light wines to soldiers on army transports and in post exchanges, under regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of War.

This is the same bill—offered by the same man—that brought the question before Congress in the last session. Mr. Parker represents the seventh congressional district of New Jersey, the home district of your correspondent and her family, and he is supposed to represent us and our interests. By the help of our women, and the blessing of God, we will frustrate his plan.

Letters and telegrams should be sent to the members of the House Committee on military affairs. Last year such a flood of letters and telegrams poured in on the committee, that the chairman, Hon. J. A. T. Hull of Iowa, gave notice that no action would be taken on the part of his committee for a restoration of liquor in the army at that session. Let the call be so insistent and so overwhelming this year, that similar action on the part of the committee will be taken.

House Committee on Military Affairs.

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CIGARETTE SMOKERS.

By Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

Many examples may be produced of men who are in good health and full possession of all their faculties, despite the habit of smoking, it is almost impossible to produce a boy of fourteen years of age who has smoked cigarettes for one, two or three years who is not showing visible effects, mentally, physically or morally, and usually all three.

The boy who begins at eight or ten years of age to smoke is almost invariably stunted in his growth.

If by inheritance he pushes up to a goodly health, he pays the penalty in some other way.

One lad of fifteen who had attained the height of five feet ten inches, while continually smoking cigarettes, died at sixteen with a growth on the liver, from which nicotine was extracted.

The boy was personally known to me, and on his death bed he made an urgent plea that his family and friends would do all in their power to persuade other boys from the pernicious habit which proved his death.

Still another youth at one time in my family circle, suffered from loss of memory, and from a severe cough, which he assured me was an inheritance.

An extreme pallor he said was due to the condition of his bronchial organs; his father also argued with me that the boy inherited this trouble.

Yet three weeks' abstinence from cigarettes caused the cough to disappear and the color to mantle the boy's cheeks, and produced a noticeable strengthening of the memory.

An affection of the heart, liver trouble and lung weakness, with all sorts of nervous and digestive disorders, are caused by cigarettes.

A stalwart young man in his early twenties assured a friend that he had smoked since he was a lad without injury.

Yet, in less than an hour he confessed that he could not sleep, and his hand trembled so that a glass of water was endangered if he attempted to lift it to his lips.

He believed this a nervous tendency due to an "artistic temperament."

Alas, for the follies and sins perpetrated in the name of the artistic temperament!

When a man has attained the age of 25 he may be considered fully developed physically, and if he chooses to commit follies in diet or otherwise it is a matter which his family, his conscience and his good sense must decide.

But there ought to be stringent laws passed and enforced to protect the boys of our land from becoming victims to cigarettes.

The purely common sense side of the subject should be presented to them by parents and teachers, and the understanding ought to be made with them that if they abstain until they are of age the matter will be left to their own discretion afterward.

But persuade them by all means possible (and if persuasion fails, force them) to avoid the destructive habit during the years they are growing toward manhood.

It is the manly boy who can refuse to form the habit.

Any loafer can form it.—Los Angeles Examiner.

Of the 105 Counties in Kansas only twenty-one have any paupers. Twenty-five counties have no poor-houses, twenty-five have their jails absolutely empty, and thirty-seven have no criminal cases on their dockets. How can this be? The Prohibitory law against the sale of liquor is the answer.—Ottawa Guardian.

Albert Leiber visits the President. On the 11th of November, President Roosevelt received a petition signed by sixty-one of the largest brewing concerns in the United States asking that the proposed prohibition stipulation for the admission of Indian Territory be statehood along with Oklahoma be modified so as not to include ale and beer. It was presented by Albert Lieber, of Indianapolis, representing the United States Brewers' Association.

In their petition the brewers say that "beer is today the principal factor in turning the United States into the leading temperance nation of the world."

The Pullman Palace Car Company has promulgated a rule forbidding the sale of liquor to passengers not occupying seats in buffet cars. Sunday card playing has never been permitted in Pullman cars.

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Worlds W. C. T. U. Convention, 1906, Boston, Mass., October 17-23. National W. C. T. U. Convention 1906, Hartford, Conn., October 26-31.

The season's Greetings to all the Message readers.

Early in January began to collect dues.
Invite christian men and women to attend your meetings.

Seek new members wherever you go, this blessed W. C. T. U. will be a help to them.

Annual Programs are absolutely essential to the best interests of the Union. January is a good time to have one made.

At the National Convention held at Philadelphia, J. G. Dailey and his beautiful daughter sang some good temperance songs that were enthusiastically received by the thousands who listened.

While looking through a little catalogue of music published by Mr. Dailey and knowing the demand for good temperance music the editor decided to tell the Message readers to send for a catalogue of Mr. Dailey's sacred and temperance music. Address J. G. Dailey, 6628 Woodland avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.

The State Board of Health will send free to any one upon application, circulars which tell about the prevention of consumption, diphtheria, scarlet fever, typhoid fever and smallpox and also a sick room card which gives directions for the management of sick rooms.

The Board hopes by these educational methods to induce the people to practically apply the ounce of prevention which is worth the pound of cure. We all believe and accept the ounce of prevention principle, but only few are sufficiently practical to make it a part of daily life. For copies of these circulars write to J. N. Hurty, M. D. Secretary State Board of Health, Indianapolis, Indiana.

At Indianapolis, on February 6th, the first Tuesday of the month, at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon the entire program for the local Council of Women will be in the hands of the W. C. T. U., State and National speakers and every White Ribboner who lives within forty miles of Indianapolis on an interurban car line is urged to be present at this meeting. The State officers and many superintendents of departments will be present. We expect that the principal addresses will be made by our loved National Treasurer Mrs. Harriet Wright Brand, and our dear State President Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger.

Arrange to come to Indianapolis at this time. The local council meeting is held in the Propyleum on North street, just opposite the blind asylum. From the interurban station take any car to Washington street and transfer to Pennsylvania street car and get off at North street. The Propyleum is near the corner of North and Pennsylvania streets.

White Ribboners do you realize that the Bible is not read or taught generally in the public schools of this country?

School children are made familiar with the lives and writers of the world's writers of history, poetry and romance with the exception of Biblical writers.

In teaching English literature, Shakespeare and Browning are used in colleges and schools, while it is an accepted truth that from a literary standpoint the writers of the Bible excel all others.

If our young people are to respect the Bible and its teachings and to seek information therefrom, according to our present plan of education, the Bible must be read and studied in the colleges and schools. During this year every W. C. T. U. in Indiana should have some person competent person to read a paper on this subject. It should also be considered by the county convention program committee.

JUBILEE NIGHT.

Jubilee Night at the National Convention is one of greatest interest and enthusiasm. The program is arranged by the presidents of the States that have made a net gain in membership of 500 or over. The free-will offering on that evening is divided equally between the States represented. At our recent Indiana Convention we voted that the county making a net gain of one hundred members be given a place on the program on Jubilee Night at the State Convention, and receive an equal share with other counties of the free-will offering.

County presidents employ a field worker and begin immediately to work for an increase of one hundred new members. To do this urge your local Unions to hold open meetings in the evenings at the homes of the members. To invite the young men and young women to attend. A good short program, followed by a musical hour at which time very simple refreshments are served will create an interest.

Agitation and Education will be necessary before we can rid Indiana of the saloon business. There is great opportunity now for our State officers to send out Field Workers into the unorganized counties if they had the funds.

A prominent man in our State says if the W. C. T. U. would put \$1,000 into Field Work this year it would be the best investment possible.

Our Unions and our membership can do this. Early in the year let every earnest woman who has something especially to be thankful for, send as many dollars as she can, to our beloved treasurer, Miss Clara Sears, Anderson, Ind., for State Organization Fund. Ten dollars would enable our officers to accomplish much definite work, thus a Field Worker could be secured for several days. Think what such a woman can do in one day in some communities where we have a very weak Union or no Union at all and then multiply that by three or four times.

Many can and surely will respond to this plea by sending some amount, from one to ten dollars. Each Union is asked for not less than one dollar and a half.

Dear White Ribboners please help our State officers by making it possible for them to send out workers. You can not go, but you can help make it possible for some one else to go.

Many busy women who are not members of our organization will contribute toward this fund if consulted, others who are paying members but who on account of age, or being otherwise engaged will help if asked. One thousand such women in Indiana will each contribute one dollar if asked.

We all feel this liquor curse, and the christian women everywhere know that great unselfish work alone will be required to arouse the people to a sense of the situation so that they will demand legislation for the protection of our homes, our schools, and state against the liquor traffic.

OFFICIAL.

My Dear County Reader:—By reading the plan of work in the Annual Report you will see that the counties making a gain of one hundred over and above all losses, are to appear on Benefit Night at the State Convention. This gives weak and strong counties the same opportunity to have a place on the platform. At the National Convention, Benefit Night, when the States gaining 500 appear, is one of the greatest nights. It can be made so in our State convention. I trust each county president will purpose in her heart as she reads this that her county shall be on, and get right at the work of organization and pushing the campaign for membership. Some of the State organizers are ready to go into the field. Mrs. Retta Jones and Mrs. I. M. Stahl have just written me that they are ready for work. Do not delay until other duties call our women and they can not give the time. Write Miss Woodard at once what you want and what you will do for organization. Yours for the work,

CULLA J. VAYHINGER,
State President.

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PLAN OF WORK.

Our aim is to double our membership before September 15, 1906.

Red Letter Days.

We recommend that every local Union observe at least two Red Letter Days during the year; that on these days guests be invited, the social features be made prominent, and a special offering be made to increase our membership.

Special Meetings

We recommend that local Unions hold a series of temperance meetings, such as contests, musicals, readings, lectures and such other interesting features as may be desired by those who have the work in hand, continuing the meetings throughout a week or ten days and thereby gain members and strengthen the work.

Scientific Temperance Instruction.

We urge our Unions to see that the provisions of the Scientific Temperance Instruction law are complied with in all schools.

Copies of this law should be in the library of every Union, and every member should be thoroughly familiar with its requirements. We urge also, that a copy of the School Physiology Journal be placed in the hands of every public school teacher.

Medal Contests.

We urge continued activity in medal contest work. Each Union should hold not less than three.

Pledge Signing.

We urge all Unions to secure as many signatures to the pledge as possible.

Sabbath Observance.

We urge our Unions to take a firm stand against the forces that are undermining our Christian Sabbath, and that they hold public meetings in which every possible means may be used to cause an arrest of thought on the subject of Sabbath desecration.

Non-Alcoholic Medication.

We recommend that each Union make a special study of the subject of Non-Alcoholic Medication and that at least two meetings during the year be devoted to this subject.

Organization.

We urge all poorly organized counties to begin at once to try to bring their organization up to the standard of at least six unions, with not fewer than ten paid members in each Union, with a county organization.

Organization Fund.

We request each Union to send \$1.50 to the State Treasurer for an organization fund to be used in weak and unorganized counties.

Premiums—Local Gains.

Any Union making a gain of ten paid members over the number paid in the corresponding quarter of the past year shall have a State Speaker by paying her care fare only. Any union making a gain of twenty paid members over the number paid in the corresponding quarter of last year shall have a State Speaker free.

New Unions in sending dues for ten charter members in the quarter in which they were organized shall have a State Speaker by paying care fare only.

County Gains.

The county organizing the largest number of Unions shall have a State Speaker free; provided, however, that at least three new Unions be organized, and provided further that no county having six or more Unions shall be allowed to compete.

Each county making a net gain of 100 members shall be given a place on the program on Benefit Night at the State Convention and receive an equal share with other counties of the free will offering.

THE PRESS.

Dear Press Superintendents:—In the name of the most important department of the W. C. T. U., I greet you and do so with the hope strong in my heart that this year may be the best in the history of press work.

Upon returning from the National Convention which was held in Los Angeles, Calif., I found some inquiries on my desk from some newly appointed press superintendents to whom I shall be glad to send leaflets and all the help I can. No doubt there are many who would be glad for leaflets, and I will send to all who will send me their names and addresses.

If each corresponding secretary would kindly send me the name and address of the press superintendent for her Union, it will not only be a great kindness to me, but a help to the cause, and will they please do this?

If there is a Union which has no press superintendent, could one be appointed at the next meeting, and let it be a tactful energetic woman who will push the work. No Union can afford to be without a press superintendent and our women of Indiana are realizing this truth, more and more.

Indiana was honored again this year in receiving the prize for the best scrap work which was taken to the National Convention. Mrs. Sarah Thomas of Grant county made the book, which also took the prize at the State Convention.

Mrs. Thomas is county press superintendent

in one of the best counties in Indiana, and has the support of eighteen local press superintendents.

The people of Grant county know what the W. C. T. U. is doing, for they read of it in the daily and weekly papers.

To the woman who will send me the greatest number of lines which she has furnished to the newspapers during the coming year, I will give a copy of the splendid book, "A Young Woman Journalist," by Frances Willard and Isabelle Somerset. The clippings to be sent pasted on strips of muslin and sent to me not later than September 25, 1906.

And dear workers, please don't forget to keep an account of your work so that you can report to me all work done, in June and September.

Yours for advancement,

LAURA CAMMACK,

Converse, Ind.

State Supt. Press Dept.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Dear Co-Workers:—A happy New Year to each one of you and may success be yours throughout the year 1906. May I request of those county presidents who have not already done so, to have a superintendent for this department appointed so that I may send her helps and supplies. Mrs. Krofts, of Johnson county was the first to appoint superintendents for her Unions and to send in names, we trust others will do likewise.

There is no better way to educate the great reading public than to bring the need of a better observance of the Sabbath to its attention than by a liberal distribution of our literature. Public sentiment for Sabbath observance is what we need and we must work to create the same. No law relative to Sabbath observance can be enforced without public sentiment behind it. Create this sentiment by public meetings, sermons and the liberal use of the press. Request young people's societies, W. C. T. U.'s missionary societies, Ladies Aid's clubs, etc., to appoint committees to visit city officials and urge them to enforce the Sunday laws. Request pastors to take a vote on "Sunday closing" in their various churches and report the result of the same to the mayor. Tremendous pressure can be brought to bear upon city officials in this way. This plan is practical. Try it.

Yours with all good wishes,

KATIE WERT HOLLER,

South Bend.

State Supt.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Mrs. Ida M. Mix, General Secretary.

Special work for 1906, as planned at the conference at Los Angeles.

1st. To increase the Crusader monthly subscription list to 25,000 subscribers by October 12, 1906.

2d. To raise the fund of \$600 for the support of an L. T. L. missionary in Japan.

3d. L. T. L. representatives to the World's W. C. T. U. Convention in October, 1906.

4th. Thirty L. T. L. delegates to the National W. C. T. U. Convention in 1906.

5th. A paid Junior worker in one hundred cities of the United States.

Let Indiana do her share to perfect this plan. Six sets of books, handsomely bound from the L. T. L. Post Graduate courses (value not to exceed \$25) will be given to the State making the greatest percentage of gain in subscriptions to The Crusader Monthly from October 14, 1905 to October 12, 1906, provided that the State has at the latter date 1000 or more subscribers.

Now we need these books, go to work and let us get them, we had 666 subscribers in October 1905, standing No. 7 on the list.

For this \$600 fund for missionary in Japan let each Legion contribute something, sending the money to our State President Miss Edith Hillus, Kokomo.

To have a delegate to the National Convention we must pay \$50.00 dues into the National Treasury. Let us work for more dues this year.

Our State L. T. L. Minutes did not sell as readily as we had hoped they would, rather than keep them over, Miss Hillus and I decided to send them out. We have mailed one to each State W. C. T. U. officer and superintendent. If you have a copy hand this to some one interested in our branch of work. The rest we divided up, sending to county L. T. L. secretaries and Legions. Now if you can not get the regular price—10 cents for them—realize what you can from the number sent you and send to me to apply on the printer's bill.

Yours in the work,

IDA M. MIX.

State General Secretary L. T. L.

FROM THE UNION SIGNAL.

(Continued from first page.)

Hon. A. A. Wiley, Alabama.

Send your communications to the member representing your State. Petitions from voters are especially effective.

At one of the army posts, where, by the order of the court the eleven saloons outside had recently been closed, an officer ordered a corporal to take a squad of men and visit a nearby place, where, it was said, liquor was being surrepti-

tiously sold, and to purchase and drink. As obedience is the first requisite of the army this young man, a member of the Christian Temperance Union, took his men, bought the liquor, and drank with them. Later he appeared before the court, and through his testimony the place was closed. In consequence the soldiers who accompanied this corporal scorned him for having broken his pledge, and the men in the barracks who wanted this "speak easy" to remain have since made life exceedingly uncomfortable for him, and he himself feels in his heart that he has not broken his pledge. I have cited this case to show what serious provocations and difficulties lie in the way of soldiers who are trying to be temperate men.

One of the frequent arguments used for the restoration of the sale of beer in the army is, that the company fund has been so much less than the men are deprived of many luxuries they had heretofore been able to procure, such as milk, butter, poultry and variety of vegetables. I learn that the post exchange receipts at various points are hundreds of dollars annually, in some cases exceeding the amount received during the sale of beer, and in consequence, the men have a larger sum than formerly to put into the "mess-fund."

Hearing on Statehood Bill.

A delegation of 138 men from Oklahoma, and a few delegates from Indian Territory are in Washington looking after the interests of statehood. Two hearings were granted by the House committee on territories; one December 13, lasting from 2:00 o'clock until 5:30 p. m., and adjourned hearing December 15, commencing at 10:30 a. m., with a noon recess, and continuing from 2:30 until 6:00 p. m. The one great prevailing idea in the minds of the majority of the delegation is statehood, and if prohibition is not a hindrance to the consummation of their hopes, why then prohibition; but statehood first, is their demand. It is not often that a committee respond so cordially as did the members of this committee, with Hon. E. L. Hamilton of Michigan as chairman. Eleven members sat the entire session yesterday, paying the closest attention, as one after another pressed the case. There were perhaps one hundred men present, occupying every available spot in the committee room. During the first day your correspondent was the only woman present, but Mrs. Clinton Smith later joined her is holding the fort for women.

Rev. E. C. Dinwiddle of the Anti-Saloon League, in charge of the forces contending for prohibition, made a very exhaustive argument at the opening session. E. C. Jones of Oklahoma, led the other side. The interest was intense. Several Indians, some full blooded, and others half bloods, spoke, the members plying them with questions, evidently trying to ascertain what the Indians themselves want in the case. "Chief" or "General" Porter, of the Creek Nation, made an unusually fine impression. He is a well preserved man of 65, tall, straight, and dignified. He declared that the people of his nation desire separate statehood; that they want to have their own state government, and not to be merged into another state. "Why," said the General, they want the opportunity to come to Congress just as you have come, and I shouldn't mind coming as a Senator, either." This remark was greeted with a volley of "So you should!" and a round of applause. General Porter was very emphatic, as well as the delegates from Indian Territory, with two exceptions, concerning the necessity of prohibition absolute for the safety of the Indian.

Rev. E. C. Murrow of Atoka, I. T., who for forty-nine years with his "blessed wife," has been laboring as a missionary in the territory, appeared like one of the prophets of old, as he stood before that committee and pleaded for the rights of the Red Man; that the government which has been so recreant in its pledges with the Indian, should not brush aside as of no account this last opportunity to protect those with whom it had entered into treaty relations for protection against the liquor traffic. Mr. Murrow told how the Cherokees, when living in Tennessee nearly one hundred years ago, agreed among themselves to appeal to Congress to help them overthrow the power strong drink was getting over their people, and how one of their number rode on his pony from Tennessee to the City of Washington bearing this appeal. The quiet of the room as Mr. Murrow concluded, was thrilling, as with hand uplifted he exclaimed: "Do not break faith with the Indian; God will hold this Congress to account for a fulfillment of its pledge."

Hon. A. P. Murphy, M. C., of the sixteenth congressional district of Missouri, a young attorney for the Creek Nation, whose term of office expires March 4, 1906, and who has just now entered Congress, made a most telling speech for prohibition statehood. He told of the overtures of the brewers to win him to their side, and read a telegram just received from the head of the brewing interest in Oklahoma, urging him to vote against prohibition on this bill. For a young man to so array himself against one of the strongest forces in the political world when he has just entered the world, is an act of bravery, and his constituents should see to it that his bravery does not cost him his position in the Congress, where such fearless men are needed.

FIELD NEWS

Local Unions please send in Field Items telling of your work since the State Convention. Send before January 15th in time for the February issue of The Message.

Miss Mary Woodard, Fountain City, Ind., our State corresponding secretary is a woman of rare sweet christian culture. She is very anxious to extend the work of our organization. Write to her and consult with her concerning the needs of your community.

The Union at Trafalgar, Johnson county, elected Mrs. Chas. Rose president. Mrs. Rose is the wife of the Methodist minister, and will be an efficient president. Mrs. Ella Kroft, the county president, will organize a Union at Stone's crossing in a few weeks.

Mrs. I. S. Wade writes Mrs. Vayhinger of the Union at Poseyville "It is composed of twenty-seven of the best christian women of the place and women who are interested in the work. It is one of your best plants." Mrs. Lon Rogers is the president.

Versailles Union observed the World's Temperance Sabbath by having the little folks render a short program consisting of songs and recitations. They also supplied the entire school with the White Shield Pledge cards and badges. Several temperance mottoes were hanging on the walls, the word "temperance" in large letter back of the speaker's stand, all of which were significant of the day. Then the pastor, Rev. Williams gave to a good sized audience a rousing temperance sermon, bringing in several little amusing incidents of his Kentucky life.

South Kokomo W. C. T. U. held a very interesting platform meeting at the Courtland Avenue Friends church on December 13th. There was represented eleven different departments by the various superintendents and Mrs. Mix, county president presented the department of Scientific Temperance Instruction in a very pleasing manner. Fine music was furnished by a quartett by two girls and solo by a boy.

Pleasing declamations by two girls and Mrs. Turner ended the evening's entertainment.

Fountain City Union, Wayne county, is having a membership contest. Nine new W's and three honoraries have been secured since the State Convention. The final report will be given in March, after which the defeated side will entertain the victors in honor of the new members. We doubled our membership last year and will try to double it again this year. We heartily recommend the membership contest to other Unions as an excellent means of awakening interest in our work.

Indianapolis Frances Willard Union entertained at the home of Mrs. Frances Williams, 1334 N. Illinois street. Mrs. L. W. Gray, vice president of this Union gave reminiscences of a trip she made in Europe. Mrs. Gray digressed from the threadbare tales we so often hear, and gave us an unique, witty and original account of every day life in the East that was enjoyed by all who heard her.

An admission of ten cents was charged and netted the Union quite a neat little sum.

Indiana Plan for organization. The State employs the Field Workers. Field Workers must send in monthly reports of number of days in the field, also itemized account of traveling expenses. Days consumed by travel only, not to be counted in.

Dates that fail not to be counted. There must be at least five consecutive dates and at points not widely separated. Each local Union employing a State Field Worker shall pay said Field Worker \$1.50 a day and give her the collection and her entertainment. This money shall be turned into the Organization Fund.

The State Field Worker shall receive \$1.00 per day and her traveling expenses.

Field Workers shall visit unorganized points for collection only.

Field Workers is to give receipt to the local Union for money received, and report all money received in her monthly report, if the amount is not sufficient to pay Field Worker's salary and traveling expenses, the deficit to be paid by the State. If the amount received by the Field Worker exceeds amount of salary and traveling expenses the surplus to be turned over to the State organization.

The Following appeared as an editorial in the Los Angeles Express the day after the opening of the National Convention:

A Temperate City.

The zealous temperance workers who have journeyed hither from States far away can not fail to feel that it is good for them to be here.

Los Angeles comes nearer to be an ideal city in respect to temperance than any other large city in the United States. It may properly be called, in fact, a temperance city. There are comparatively few saloons in Los Angeles, and there are no such saloon adjuncts as concert halls and dance houses. Sunday is observed here by absolute closing in all liquor places, and in short, the the recognized evils of the liquor traffic are minimized here as compared with conditions in other American cities.

But Los Angeles, nevertheless, is ripe for still further progress on lines of temperance reform, and it extends a cordial hand to all earnest workers in that cause. The local branch of the W. C. T. U. commands the respect and support of all classes of the community. That organization is doing a splendid work for the cause and all citizens are proud of its achievements therein. This public feeling toward the local W. C. T. U. assured a warm public welcome to the visitors from abroad, a feeling that will be evident until the departing hour.

The reception tendered to the visiting members of the W. C. T. U. by the Chamber of Commerce, on behalf of the city, expressed the sentiment of the whole community.

Kendallville.—From a local newspaper we quote:

"The mass meeting of children held in the Church of Christ Sunday afternoon was a very enthusiastic and interesting occasion. The meeting was held under the direction of Mrs. F. B. Perkins, president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and as result of it a Loyal Temperance Legion is to be organized in the city. The meeting was very largely attended, the spacious church being filled. A most entertaining program was rendered. An especially interesting illustrated talk was given by Mrs. Isbell, and there were excellent musical numbers and other pleasing pleasing. It was indeed a splendid meeting."

The result of this meeting is now reported to us. A very large Loyal Temperance Legion was organized by Mrs. Perkins with Mrs. Thomas Singrey superintendent.

On December 28th Mrs. Perkins will address the county Sunday School Association on "How to Teach Temperance in the Sunday School."

Local Union programs are usually too long. Every public meeting, whether in the parlor or in the church should be limited to one hour and fifteen minutes. Of course, this singer and that reader would be enjoyed but invite the singer this time and the reader next time. The speaker should have thirty or forty minutes. Whispered preliminaries are very undignified and belittling to our cause.

Have program previously arranged, if at the very time appointed to begin the presiding officer finds that the one to conduct opening exercises is not present ask the audience to rise and sing "Coronation" after which to remain standing while Rev. — or Mrs. — will lead in prayer.

Then go on with the program without apology or seeming annoyance. Close the meeting promptly after an invitation has been extended for new members.

Never wait for a tardy person, it is not just to the audience that has assembled on time.

A free-will offering for our cause is always proper. The pittance that many people give occasionally in a public collection basket is all they give during the year for the support of temperance.

It is well to ask largely for our work rather than to assume an apologetic attitude and ask little or nothing.

If every local Union in the State will hold three Open meetings before next summer, many Unions will double their membership and do effective work against the liquor business.

The Bloomington Union has fitted a room in the Bloomington new hospital, costing \$50.00. Secured five new members since October. All departments seem to be ready for their new year's work. What we want is State Superintendent to send blanks which was not done last year.

The following committee appointed at the Mothers Meeting of this Union submitted resolutions which were adopted by the Union and published:

The committee, Mesdames Wm. Johnson, C. B. Heath and W. H. Clark.

"Believing our own example in many instances to be the greatest barrier to our work, we feel bound to watch daily our thoughts, our wills, our temper, our gestures, our manners, and the neatness of our dress. We will crucify self. Our motto shall be 'I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.'"

"Every member of this association shall be held as securely bound to pray daily for her children, and with them as often as circumstances will permit. She shall restrain them from every course that naturally lead to selfishness, pride, vanity, worldly mindedness and unbelief. She shall endeavor to retain their confidence."

"When any member is removed by death, particular attention shall be paid to her children. It is recommended that those in our employ be par-

ticularly remembered at the throne of grace. As mother we shall strive to remember that charity suffereth long and is kind."

The Greencastle L. T. L. recently held at a Loan Exhibit, the receipts of which were \$21.00. In the exhibit twenty-two countries were represented. The largest exhibit was from Japan. Besides being very interesting this exhibit was very instructive, especially in showing where our christian missionaries have opened the way for the entrance of representatives of many nations. The energetic efforts of the Legioners and their splendid ability was a surprise to the citizens of that classic town.

LA PORTE UNION.

As our treasury was very low at the close of the year our new treasurer, Miss Mary Holland, suggested a ten cent lunch which all favored and each gave a helping hand, making enough to get a supply of dishes that we much needed. Having some money left to replenish the treasury. We also gave a fifteen cent dinner on election day.

THE UNION SIGNAL.

The official organ of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is The Union Signal, subscription price one dollar per year.

Every official of our local Unions should be a regular careful reader of this paper. It has an able corps of editors with Mrs. Cornelia L. Jewett editor-in-chief.

Information is the basis of all intelligent enthusiasm. To be a representative of our great organization means much in the church circle, and the social world. Our membership should be well informed upon all lines of reform work, considered a part of our organization. To do this it is absolutely necessary to read our National paper, The Union Signal. Send your subscription for it addressed to The Union Signal, National Headquarters W. C. T. U., Evanston, Ill.

HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Just a little reminder. Have you forgotten us? If so, I send you this little message to tell you that we are still here, and we get hungry and cold just as in former years.

When the Board met at the School they ordered some very necessary improvements. We have been patching and mending and doing without for the last three years so that we might get out of debt, and we have been blessed in so doing, and I hope the Unions over the State will each one feel that this article is written for it. I would like to write each one a letter but time forbids, but we trust that we may soon hear of something being done for the school. Hold your contests or have thank offerings. It is money we need. We must have 40 rods of new fence, a new pump for the well, two new cistern pumps, a conveyance of some kind, a new laundry stove, cooking utensils, and a grape arbor (the old one has fallen flat to the ground). The chicken house needs repairs also.

These, dear sisters, are the things that need immediate attention and I trust that you will respond promptly. It is hard work as well as discouraging for our superintendent and matron to try to keep our home in good order without water and the necessary things to work with.

Some one will say they helped last year. So you did, and you will be blessed for so doing, but do not desert us now just as we are ready to live and can spend all you can send us for improvements and not for outstanding debt.

The girls are all well and in school and we are looking forward to a merry Christmas. Can not you send some little remembrances to gladden their hearts and make them feel that they have friends? He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the Lord, and that which he hath given will he pay him again. He will pay him again.

All Christmas donations should be sent to Miss Mattie Leslie, Hadley Home, Hadley, Ind.

All cash donations should be sent to Miss Clara Sears, 222 West Fourteenth street, Anderson, Ind.

LIZZIE C. HANN, President.
2430 Broadway, Indianapolis, Ind.

IN MEMORIAM.

Elkhart Union has sustained a great loss by the death of our beloved sister, Mrs. Emma Troxel. She was an enthusiastic, earnest worker whose life was consecrated to the cause of temperance.

Aunt Mary Ellis, of Phlox Union, has passed on to her Heavenly home. Uncle James is sad and lonely. They had lived together 62 years.

Our Union has lost a valuable member, our cause a staunch friend and the community a splendid citizen in the truest sense of the word. Our loss has been her gain.

The W. C. T. U.'s of LaPorte county are mourning the loss of a dear sister and co-worker, Mrs. R. G. Young. She having filled nearly every sphere in the organization. She was much interested and ever ready to help in all good work. Her pastor Rev. O. S. Kiplinger speaks in high commendation of her as a friend and church worker.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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TENNESSEE.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 6.—There are 1,848 cities, towns and villages in the State of Tennessee.

Of these, 1,835, all but 13, are living under laws prohibiting the traffic in intoxicating liquors.

Of the 2,020,616 people in the State, 1,732,737 are living under prohibitory laws.

Eighty-five per cent of the total population of the State, therefore, lives under Prohibition.

Traffic Cornered in Thirteen License Cities.

The licensed liquor traffic has been driven to the following thirteen town and cities, where it is making its last stand for life:

	Pouplation
Chattanooga	30,154
Clarksville	9,431
Columbia	6,052
Bristol	5,271
Jackson	14,511
Knoxville	32,637
La Follette	366
Memphis	102,320
Mt. Pleasant	2,007
Nashville	80,865
Rocky Springs	28
Winchester	1,338
Rockwood	2,899

The Democratic leaders of today, who a decade ago fought Prohibition with all their strength, are now traveling about the State, each claiming to be the "original Prohibitionist."

Temperance Campaign for United States Senate.

The campaign for United States Senator is now full on with two leading Democrats in the field, the present incumbent E. W. Carmack and ex-Governor "Bob" Taylor of fiddling" renown. And strangely, the chief issue is the record of the contestants on the question of which has done the most for Prohibition.

Senator Carmack launched his campaign first, and in his opening address at Nashville a few weeks ago, he unreservedly defied the saloon. In part he said.

Carmack Astounds Former Friends.

"There is a question involved in what is known as the Hepburn-Dolliver bill. The bill simply proposes that when intoxicating liquors are brought from one State into another they shall become subject to the police laws of that State. I favor, and from the beginning have favored the passage of that bill. I favor it as a Democrat, believing that every State should be supreme in the exercise of its proper police powers within its own borders. I favor it also because it gives to every State the right to regulate and restrain the liquor traffic in accordance with its own judgment of the public needs. It is not my purpose tonight to deal with the liquor question except as it comes within the sphere of my duties as a Senator.

"But I can not help saying that the activity of the saloon in politics is a question of interest to every man who holds or seeks a public office. So far as I am concerned I am weary of the condition of things where the man whose business it is to make the laws must hold his office by consent of the man whose business it is to break the laws. I am weary of the insolent and dictatorial spirit which so largely prevades the saloon business of this State; its open alliance to sell whiskey in violation of law; that the license to run saloons carries with it the license to run a gambling house and flaunt its black banner in the very face of innocence, purity and public decency. It seems that I have given moral offense to some of these gentlemen because I have publicly said that the man who runs a saloon has no more right to violate the law than the man who runs a barber shop.

"One of my competitors' chief lieutenants not long since said to a friend of mine that I would surely be defeated because the saloons of the State were solidly arrayed against me. I only wish to remark that if they accomplish that result they will at the same time give me plenty to do to keep from brooding over my defeat. If they defeat me for the Senate it shall be my next ambition to be handed down to history as the last man who was ever defeated for office by the saloon power of Tennessee."

Where Carmack Used to Stand.

In 1887, when the Constitutional Amendment campaign was raging in the State, Mr. Carmack was editor of the Nashville Banner, and the most powerful opponent of Prohibition with which the enemies of the saloon had to contend. Carmack was then a drinking man. Later he became editor of the Memphis Commercial Appeal. There he continued his draughts on the bottle and also his

attacks on Prohibition.

But of recent years he has thrown his lot with the Prohibitionists and cut out drink. This stirring utterance is therefore in harmony with his recent record. On account of Mr. Carmack's support of anti-liquor measures in Congress, the influence of the Anti-Saloon League of the State is being thrown to him, though it had not formally endorsed his candidacy.

Ex-Governor "Bob" Taylor Startles Liquor Men.

Then it was up to Mr. Taylor to show himself to be a better enemy of the saloon than Mr. Carmack. He too made the opening address of his campaign at Nashville and was introduced to the audience by James A. Tate. There he attacked Carmack's temperance record, saying:

"During my administration we began the greatest temperance movement of Tennessee. The original four-mile law banished whiskey only from communities which had incorporated institutions of learning, and we amended that law and made it apply to every school house in the State, whether there was a school in session or not, or whether the same was incorporated or not. This was the best temperance measure ever inaugurated except universal Prohibition itself, but we did not stop there. The bill submitting a constitutional amendment to the people prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors anywhere within our borders, was passed by the Legislature of the State, and I signed it as Governor, but where was the senior Senator from Tennessee in those strenuous days when the temperance cause was weak and unpopular, and it required courage to advocate it and give it the sanction of the representatives of the people? Where was the giant of the weaver's beam? Let the record speak again. In the preceding Legislature of which he was a member, he was hurling his spear at the proposed amendment and voting against the cause of Prohibition. But he did not pause there. In 1887, when the amendment banishing the saloon power from the State was submitted to the people for their ratification or rejection, he was on the stump denouncing it as an infringement upon the rights of citizenship and an encroachment upon personal liberty. But still he did not pause there. After he and his associates had pinned the measure to the wall which would have forever settled the temperance question in Tennessee, when I was struggling for a second nomination for Governor in 1888, the leading whiskey men rose up against me, remembering that I had signed the bill which was aimed at their destruction, and in the front rank of their battle line was found E. W. Carmack.

"Fellow citizens, in conformity of my record in the past and in harmony with my conscience, I am now in favor of all the temperance laws on the statute books, and thank God I have never lifted my hand against one of them. I am in favor of enforcing these laws and of such government aid as will enable the States to enforce whatever prohibition laws they have enacted or may enact in the future, looking to this end. I am unqualifiedly in favor of the Hepburn-Dolliver bill, now pending in the Senate of the United States. With this record I go to the country; with these convictions I appeal to the people. I propose to stand by my guns, and if I could get the ear of the leader of the Anti-Saloon League in Tennessee, I would say to him, 'You have no right to organize that league against a man whose record is with you and in the interest of a man whose record is against you.' I rejoice to see the men who have so bitterly fought my view of this question in the past now falling into line with me, but I am not willing to see new converts ride into office upon a cause which they have fought all their lives. I am a candidate upon my record, and if the people shall transfer the distinguished Senator's mantle to my shoulders and send him into the exile of private life, crowned with the distinction of having been the last martyr of the whiskey traffic, I would bid him Godspeed as he goes forth with his weaver's beam to smite his old friends, the saloon power, between his blood shot eyes."

Prohibition State's Dominant Issue.

Since then there has been a cat and dog fight between the two men, each attacking the other's Prohibition record. Carmack shows that Taylor did not even vote for the amendment, leaving town but a few days before election.

A similar situation exists as to the Democratic aspirants for the governorship. These men are, John I. Cox, the present incumbent, General M. R. Patterson, and Judge John B. Bond.

Each of these gentlemen are likewise going up and down the State publicly questioning the temperance record of each of the others, and parading his own hostility to the saloon. As a matter of

fact, there is not a candidate now aspiring to the U. S. Senate or any other State office in Tenn. who is not publicly denouncing the saloon and classing himself with prohibitionists. Each is also advocating the present demands of the Prohibition leaders, which are:

"A bill to amend the four-mile law by striking out 5,000 and inserting 150,000 instead.

"The Hepburn-Dolliver bill by Congress as an amendment to the Interstate Commerce Law, prohibiting the shipping of intoxicants into prohibition territory from one State into another.

"A bill by the legislature prohibiting the shipping of intoxicants within the State of Tennessee into communities where it is unlawful to sell the intoxicants, and requiring all packages containing intoxicants, shipped within the boundry of the State, to be plainly marked on the package, in a conspicuous place, with the word 'Alcohol,' requiring also in the same manner on the package the name of the consignor and consignee, and a clause making all parties, including common carriers and express companies, responsible for the violation of this law by making them particeps criminis in the transaction.

"A bill giving wards in cities of over 50,000 inhabitants the privilege of voting saloons out. A bill prohibiting the sale of intoxicants within a thousand feet of any church, school house, institute of learning, or private residence in any town or city."

The Anti-Saloon League has formally endorsed the candidacy of Judge Bond as against any other gubernatorial aspirants now in the field.

Tennessee Topography and Politics.

An attempt to study the reasons for existing conditions leads to many interesting facts.

Tennessee is a long narrow strip, stretching like a bologna sausage from the Alleghany Mountains of the East to the Mississippi on the West. Before the war, the eastern end of the State was a "Whig" country. During the war it sided with the North. Since the war it has been "Republican."

The western half sided with the South and has always been Democratic. And as this section contains the largest cities, Democracy dominates the State.

So Republicanism in the East and Democracy in the West are merely hereditary conditions which afflict the two sections.

Originally the principal occupation of the Republican section was making moonshine whiskey and killing U. S. deputy marshals. But this industry declined, and, in 1887, this section actually carried for the prohibitory amendment. The Democratic end, however, voted so overwhelmingly for whiskey that the State was lost.

Off and on the Republican party in the State has passed a more or less incoherent temperance resolution, apparently looking for light.

Democrats Defeated Prohibition.

The Democratic party called on the legislature to submit the constitutional amendment to the people, and then promptly defeated the same amendment by Democratic votes.

Then, after the party had been mobbed by the people and compelled to pass the Adams law, the party officially endorsed the measure.

The situation has finally reached a point where, as the Nashville American says:

"The candidate for official position in Tennessee who does not sing a clear note on the liquor question may as well begin to gather his baggage for a journey up "Salt River."

The politicians of both old parties, therefore, are now busy jumping up and down on their former friends, the rumsellers.

Law Defiance of Saloon Roused the People.

Probably no one thing has done more to exasperate the people against the saloon than the tendency of the liquor sellers to ignore all laws regarding their traffic. Senator Carmack's ferocious indictment of the traffic in this respect voices the general sentiment of the people.

A glimpse of the "joint" situation in the Democratic end of the State illustrates the situation.

For revenue purposes, the government has divided the State into two sections: the Western or Democratic end with a collector at Nashville, and the Eastern or Republican end with a collector at Bristol.

"Joints" in License Cities.

The following table gives the number of saloons and the number of federal retail liquor dealers' tax receipts in the six licensed towns and cities in the western end of the State in the Nashville district. The table shows the number of tax receipts in excess of the number of licensed saloons, which is the usual way of computing the number of "joints:"

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THE MESSAGE.

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Worlds W. C. T. U. Convention, 1906, Boston, Mass., October 17-23. National W. C. T. U. Convention 1906, Hartford, Conn., October 26-31.

The Heavenly Birthday of Frances E. Willard will be generally observed by the Unions all over the State.

In every instance let the program be good and not over one hour and fifteen minutes in length.

Invite only the very ablest people to take part on the program, people of ability and influence.

Let every Union send two dollars as a gift to the National Organization Fund. This is the only monument that is being builded to the blessed memory of our dear departed leader, Miss Willard. Send the money by check or money order to Mrs. Harriet W. Brand, National Treasurer, Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill.

Feb. 6th is the date that the White Ribboners and their friends are most cordially invited to come to Indianapolis and attend the meeting of the Local Council of Women at the Propyleaum, near corner of North street and Pennsylvania street. Time 2:30 o'clock.

Program—W. C. T. U. Day.

Speakers, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Ind. State President and Mrs. Harriet W. Brand, Treasurer of the National W. C. T. U.

Marion County White Ribboners secured this great privilege and will pay all of the expenses. They are expected to especially invite their neighbors and friends to attend.

All the Unions situated on the interurban lines or within easy access of Indianapolis for fifty miles around are expected to send good delegations.

Dear Sisters:—Our State Treasurer's books for last quarter show a net gain in membership of 102 over the corresponding quarter of last year, with fifteen counties not heard from. This is an encouraging beginning, but we hope for a much better showing this quarter.

Since my report at the State Convention the following new Unions have reported to me:

Wright's Corner, Dearborn county, organized by Mrs. Rynerson.

Lucy Thurman Union, Indianapolis, organized by Miss Susan Clark.

Poseyville Union, Posey county, organized by the members.

Kendallville Union, Noble county, organized by Mrs. F. B. Perkins.

Dupont, Jefferson county, organized by Mrs. Vayhinger.

Maple St. Union, Grant county, organized by Mrs. Gulia Shugart.

Hamilton, Steuben county, organized by Mrs. Stanley.

Frances Willard Union, Lafayette, organized by Miss Eliza Baker.

Brazil Union, colored, Clay county, organized by Mrs. Dora Keith.

Lily LaDrew "Y" Terre Haute, was organized last year by Miss LaDrew, but was only recently reported to the State Corresponding Secretary.

A larger number of counties than usual sent in their quarterly reports, and many of them are very encouraging.

Greencastle reports 140 members, the largest Union in the State. They have been active in remonstrance and law enforcement work.

Greensburg reports 105 members, and good work in several departments.

Bloomington has held a successful matron's contest and is rejoicing that they have a majority of the voters names on a remonstrance.

PURITY AND MOTHERS MEETINGS.

I regret that I have been unable to send out report blanks, ere this, but unavoidable circumstances have prevented. I hope soon to be home and ready to serve you any way I can in this war for the home vs. the saloon. In the meantime I trust our great reform work has been adopted in every local Union in the State with a noble, entergetic consecrated leader who will see that our Department is represented at every opportunity, and more will make opportunities for the better protection of mothers, babies, and the betterment of humanity. Remember "the seed we sow is bound to grow." Some one has said, "if we want to reform this world, begin at the cradle." Rev. J. A. Wood says "the cradle should be a subject of greatest awe than the coffin."

Hold Mothers Meetings scatter literature, start a circulating library, arouse the motherhood of this Nation by sending out light and truth in regard to responsibility as well as opportunity of motherhood. Be sure to keep a complete record of all meetings held, all literature distributed and report same to me. A splendid way to arouse an interest is to hold a baby contest with the children of the W. R. C. R. Hartford City Superintendent has captured thereward, the last two years (refer to annual report) for the largest number of children enrolled in the W. R. C. R. with dues paid.

Who will take the lead for 1906? Every appeal for help will respond to the very best of my ability. Dear hearts let us by faith and works make this year better than any previous year.

Every Superintendent that applies to me for literature with stamps for postage will receive a package of same.

Yours for service,

Hartford City. MRS. S. M. STAHL.

CONTEST WORK.

How many contests are you to hold during the year 1906? With the incoming of the new year there also comes fresh opportunities for service and each opportunity is a duty. Miss Willard used to say, "Enter every open door" and surely the door to constant work stands wide open at the beginning of this year and bids you enter and cultivate this marvelous fertile field. The State plan anticipates three contests in each Union during the convention year. How many of the three have you thus far held? Would you like to have us help you? We will gladly do so. Send for our new contest book No. 10, full of bright, strong specimens of temperance oratory from the pens of our best writers and speakers, and go to work. We will be glad to forward any one or all of the contest books to you at the rate of ten cents a copy.

Let us hear from you today. Do not put this matter off but do it now. Start out this afternoon to organize a class and we will be glad to help you in any way possible.

Address Julia Overman, 1802 S. Bronson street Marion, Ind.

MERCY DEPARTMENT.

I am glad to tell you that the Mercy work goes right on, despite official change or other untoward disturbance. Once converted by humane work means always converted and our chief trouble lies only in numbers. Can not we have more help in this vast field of philanthropy? There are yet Christian people who deny the propriety or justness of animal rights, who doubt their sensitive-ness to pain, who are dead to everything pertaining to the lower animal kingdom, save mere selfish gain.

I would appeal to housewives, aye, to all who would wear the simple badge of humanity: "Please do not buy fowls dressed with heads on." Why? Because birds slain by this so-called "bleeding process" are invariably plucked alive, a barbaric cruelty we should gladly put aside forever. Chicken pickers are not surgeons. They are generally drunken, coarse and brutal. They do not wait for the fowls to die but begin plucking as soon as the knife is used. Can you imagine any-

thing more agonizing?

I am offering surprise prizes for this year for most humane sermons, most money made from Mercy contests, and greatest number of subscriptions taken for "Our Fellow Creatures," published at 1128 West Lake street, Chicago, or "Our Dumb Animals," edited and published at 19 Milk street, Boston. Send to me for literature.

I do hope that each and every Union will try hard for these prizes. Ministers like to preach "Kindness to Animals" sermons; children like Mercy contests, and everybody enjoys these humane publications. Will you not please enter the race?

FLORA TRUEBLOOD NEFF,
514 Market street, Logansport, Ind.

OFFICIAL.

TO THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS.

"Make a chain for the land is full of bloody crimes."

The desire and purpose of the State Superintendents, is to make this chain so strong and far reaching that our influence and efforts may be more effective than ever.

At the State Convention the Board named Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, of Indianapolis; Mrs. Lida Outland, of Upland, and myself a committee to formulate plans for this body. We therefore request each County Superintendent to please send to this committee at once any suggestions or plans she may have for her department.

At our next State Convention we hope to have each County Superintendent hold a conference for her local workers, and all others who care to attend. Such conference to be held at a uniform time. We would also suggest that as far as possible each County Superintendent secure a bannerette with the name of her department on it so that persons can more readily locate where each special conference is being held. Bannerettes can be secured for 25 cents, and probably less.

Yours for service,

KATIE WERT HOLLER,

President Board of Superintendents, South Bend, Ind.

OFFICIAL.

Vincennes Union employs a city missionary who is doing excellent work, and they expect to organize the county in the spring.

Princeton reports six lectures last quarter and an increase in both members and interest. They also report 300 signatures to the pledge.

The new Unions in Jackson county, Brownstown and Crothersville are both active in several departments.

All the Unions in Parke county report contests. Oxford has carried on a successful campaign for new members.

Otterbein "has done great things since last quarter, but the members are too modest to tell about it."

Columbia City observed "World's Temperance Sunday" and secured a large number of signatures to the pledge.

Several Unions in Wells county have held successful contests.

West Side Union, Evansville, is taking a course in Bible study with the life of Frances Willard. Garrett has closed saloons on Sunday.

The new Union in Brazil with eight members reports five subscribers to The Union Signal.

Mitchell Union is meeting with success in contest work and Mothers' Meetings.

A number of Grant county Unions report contest work.

Fowlerton held a "fine all-day anniversary meeting."

Brazil Union succeeded in suppressing the more objectionable features of an indecent play. They report 58 W's and 42 honoraries.

North Vernon report, "We keep the depots supplied with good literature, have W. C. T. U. notes in the county papers each week, have had pledge signing in all the Sunday Schools, and will organize an L. T. L."

Huntington Union supplies the ministers, ten in number, with the convention numbers of the Union Signal.

There are only a few of the good things reported by our Unions, and very much has been done that has not been reported, and who will dare attempt to measure the results of all these efforts?

Inquiries have been made as to what is meant by "Red Letter Day." For reply let me say that a list of Memorial or Red Letter Days may be found on page four of the State Minutes, and the Model Program gives excellent suggestion for the observance of those days.

In reporting subscriptions to Message and Union Signal, report only new subscribers during the quarter.

I hope at the end of this quarter to have some good things to tell about those counties which were too busy at the close of last quarter to report.

The outlook is hopeful, dear sisters, "let us go up and possess the land for we are well able to overcome it."

Yours for service,

MARY E. WOODARD.

EVANGELISTIC.

The new year has dawned upon us with its many blessings and opportunities for service. Are we ready for its duties and responsibilities? Let us renew our consecration and wait upon the master for a fresh anointing for service. I feel deeply impressed that we are not emphasizing our department as we ought to do. We are strong for all other work as we are strong spiritually. "To be spiritually minded is life, but to be carnally minded is death." I want each Evangelistic Superintendent to have a copy of Miss Greenwood's new leaflet for 1906. It contains eight pages of very helpful suggestions, and no Superintendent can afford to be without it, I sent for enough copies to supply the county Superintendents and will send them out as soon as possible. Will the county Superintendents please supply the local Superintendents. The leaflet can be obtained for a very little cost, \$1.00 for 100 copies; perhaps two cents per copy when a sample number is sent for. Send to Miss Ida A. Craft, 294 Steyvesant avenue, Brooklyn, N. N. In sending out my blanks in the fall I sent enough to many of the counties for two reports. I will only ask for one report this year in September. If any Superintendent has failed to receive the blanks please let me know and I will promptly send them. If I have failed to answer any letters for information, I am not aware of it (except two some time ago. I was waiting for Miss Greenwood's leaflet to come out at that time and they were delayed, upon receiving the leaflets I looked for the letters but failed to find them. I do not remember the names of the two referred to, but I ask pardon for seeming neglect and will be most happy to send the leaflets if the parties will write again. I want to be as helpful as possible and will endeavor to hold myself in readiness for calls for service in Gospel temperance meetings whenever and wherever they can be arranged for. Please carefully study Miss Greenwood's plans and work along the lines she suggests. Remember that work in almshouses is especially under the Evangelistic Department. I regret that my plank does not contain the works, please in making out your report not to omit "Work in almshouses." I am sure we could do more and better work this year than any previous year. Wishing each one a happy and successful year, and in sisterly love, I am yours for better service,

ELIZABETH M. HAUGHTON.

National Superintendent of Christian Citizenship requests that February 22d and July 4th be especially observed for Christian Citizenship. Now is the time to make definite arrangements for the February work and to plan for an excellent program and a great crowd on July 4th. For literature etc., address the National Superintendent, Mrs. Mary J. Telford, McMinnville, Tenn.

A LETTER.

Dear Sisters:—The season is close upon us when we must plan and work for our Institutes. Being a new superintendent of this department how earnestly I am hoping and praying that the Institutes of 1906 may be among the best that have ever been held in Indiana.

Again let us remind you, that only as each County President and her constituency take hold of this work and strive to make it a success, can my hopes be realized?

You will read the Plan in the State Minutes (a copy of which is doubtless in your possession), therefore I need not dwell upon that. I would wish to urge the holding of a Medal Contest on one evening, both on account of its educational value and as a means of raising funds to meet the Institute expenses. Some of our stronger counties feel that they do not need the Institutes, and I do not dispute that fact, but Sisters—I am going to ask you if you will not all fall in line this year, keeping to the dates as scheduled, thus making it possible for our Leaders to do their work without loss of time and unnecessary expense in traveling. Let this be your great missionary effort for the weaker and the unorganized counties.

I would like to say much about this, but space forbids, and I will only say, that the Institute season should be and can be, if we are united in effort, the greatest membership campaign of the year. Shall we make it such?

County Presidents are earnestly requested to send names of towns in which the institutes are to be held, to the State Superintendent, and the Section Leader, at an early date, so that sample copies of the Union Signal, and other papers may be sent for free distribution.

It will be noticed, there is a break in the schedule from March 3rd to April 9th. This is to give the County Presidents an opportunity to attend the Mid Year meeting on April 4 and 5.

A few additional hints:

Good music, including some special Temperance songs, would be appreciated. Send special invitations to ministers, editors, and teachers. Serve a lunch at the meeting place, inviting those whom you wish to reach. Invite your friends and neighbors to attend. Plan for a long subscription list to the Union Signal, and other papers. Advertise your Institute early, late, and widely in your county papers, and urge members

from all Unions to attend. Place your speaker on Sunday, where the most good can be accomplished, and remember this is not always in the largest city, or church. With confidence in your united effort, and great expectations from the same, I am,

Yours lovingly,

ROSE PEARCE,

State Superintendent Institutes, Cayuga, Ind.,
January 13, 1906.INDIANA W. C. T. U. INSTITUTE PROGRAM
FOR 1906—FIRST DAY.

Morning.

10:00 County officers and workers in council—Brief reports of the work to date. Discussion of plans to be proposed to the close of the year. This meeting may be placed on the program for the half day most convenient, taking into account railroad time, and attendance of members.

Afternoon.

1:30 Devotional exercise, conducted by a county or local evangelist.
2:00 Organization of Institute. Appointment of secretary, reporters, and subscriptions to periodicals.
2:30 Words of welcome by County President, response by Institute Leader.
2:45 Music.
2:50 The evangelistic work of the W. C. T. U. Why! and How!
3:15 How to increase the attendance at our meetings. How to make the press serve the Temperance Cause. How to double our membership in one year.

The discussion of each topic to be opened by a local member.

4:20 Announcements. Adjournment.

Evening.

7:30 Devotional service. Addresses of welcome from five to eight minutes each, according to the number of interests represented, with response by Institute Leader. If prepared, the evening may be given to an address by the Leader, or a social evening with a short literary program, and special music. A silver offering. Crusade for membership.

SECOND DAY.

Morning.

9:00 Devotional service. Bible quotations and prayer, led by local officer or worker.
9:20 Presentation of the Union Signal, Crusader Monthly, American Motherhood, etc., by the superintendent of literature. Discussion by leader.
9:35 National and State plans, and interests to be emphasized this year. Drill and quiz by the leader.
10:00 The Loyal Temperance Legion, present and future.
10:15 Parliamentary drill.
10:30 Sunday School work.
10:45 The evil effects of pool rooms upon our young men. How can we best use our influence against the evil?
11:00 The educational work of the W. C. T. U.
11:15 Sabbath Observance.
Music.
11:30 Paper on "Our Sainted Leader," Frances Willard.
11:45 Praise service. Noontide prayer. Adjournment.

Afternoon.

1:30 Devotional.
1:45 Recitation.
1:45 Pure Food Law.
2:15 The trend of current events, and their portent, by a pastor.
2:30 The Patriotism of Women. Is it worthy of expression at the Ballet Box.
3:00 How best to make our work felt in our own town and community. Suggestions by ministers. Professional and business men, and town officials.
3:30 How can a union of Temperance forces be secured?
3:45 Ideas gained from this Institute. One minute speeches by members. Reports from committees. Reading of the Minutes. Adjournment.

Contest Evening.

7:30 Music invocation. Special music. Oratorical contest, as arranged by County Superintendents of the Departments. Admission charged for Institute expenses. Extend invitation for new members while judges make out report.
Music. Closing prayer.

Topic for Open Parliament.

Hadley Industrial School.
Non-Alcoholic Medication.
Mothers Meetings.
Flower Mission Work.
Systematic Giving.
Peace and Arbitration.
Y's or otherwise.
Athletics in High Schools and Colleges.

INSTITUTE SCHEDULE.

Section One—Leader, Mrs. Rose Pearce, Cayuga, Indiana.

March 12, 13, 14.....Parke
" 15, 16, 17.....Montgomery
" 19, 20, 21.....Boone
" 22, 23, 24.....Clinton
" 26, 27, 28.....Tipton
" 29, 30, 31.....Madison
April 9, 10, 11.....Grant
" 12, 13, 14.....Howard
" 16, 17, 18.....Miami
" 19, 20, 21.....Wabash
" 23, 24, 25.....Huntington
" 26, 27, 28.....Wells
" 30, May 1, 2.....Allen
May 7, 8, 9.....De Kalb
" 10, 11, 12.....Steuben
" 14, 15, 16.....La Grange
" 17, 18, 19.....Noble
" 21, 22, 23.....Whitley
" 24, 25, 26.....Kosciusko
" 28, 29, 30.....Elkhart
" 21, June 1, 2.....St. Joseph
June 4, 5, 6.....Marshall

Section Two (West)—Leader, Mrs. Isabel Goodacre, Pine Village.

March 5, 6, 7.....Warren
" 8, 9, 10.....Benton
" 12, 13, 14.....Newton
" 15, 16, 17.....Lake
" 19, 20, 21.....Porter
" 22, 23, 24.....La Porte
" 26, 27, 28.....Fulton
" 29, 30, 31.....Cass
April 9, 10, 11.....Carroll
" 12, 13, 14.....White
" 16, 17, 18.....Pulaski
" 19, 20, 21.....Fountain

Section Two (East)—

March 5, 6, 7.....Union
" 8, 9, 10.....Wayne
" 12, 13, 14.....Randolph
" 15, 16, 17.....Jay
" 19, 20, 21.....Adams
" 22, 23, 24.....Blackford
" 26, 27, 28.....Delaware
" 29, 30, 31.....Henry
April 9, 10, 11.....Hancock
" 12, 13, 14.....Marion
" 16, 17, 18.....Hamilton

Section Three (West)—Leader, Mrs. E. M. Haughton, Richmond, Indiana.

March 19, 20, 21.....Shelby
" 22, 23, 24.....Bartholomew
" 26, 27, 28.....Johnson
" 29, 30, 31.....Morgan
April 12, 13, 14.....Owen
" 16, 17, 18.....Monroe
" 19, 20, 21.....Greene
" 23, 24, 25.....Clay
" 26, 27, 28.....Vigo
" 30, May 1, 2.....Vermillion
May 3, 4, 5.....Putnam
" 7, 8, 9.....Hendricks

Section Three (East)—Leader, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Madison, Indiana.

Decatur,
Franklin,
Ohio,
Switzerland,
Jefferson.

Dates for this Section will be printed in the March "Message."

Section Four (S. East)—Leader, Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall, Franklin, Ind.

March 19, 20, 21.....Dearborn
" 22, 23, 24.....Ripley
" 26, 27, 28.....Jennings
" 29, 30, 31.....Jackson
April 9, 10, 11.....Lawrence
" 12, 13, 14.....Washington
" 16, 17, 18.....Floyd
" 19, 20, 21.....Clark
" 23, 24, 25.....Scott

Section Four (S. West)—Leader, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Madison.

Knox,
Davies,
Martin,
Gibson,
Posey,
Vanderburg,
Spencer,
Dubois.

Dates for this Section will be printed in the March "Message."

ACTION OF RELIGIOUS BODIES.

In line with the action of the Presbyterian, Methodist, Lutheran and other religious bodies, the Baptist Ministers' Conference of New York City and vicinity, the Central New York Baptist Pastors' Conference and the Philadelphia Baptist Ministers' Conference have each appointed the Rev. Harvey Wood, field secretary of the National Temperance Society, to represent them and the Baptist denomination in Washington, D. C., to watch all legislation bearing upon the Temperance Question, to oppose the repeal of the Anti-Canteen Bill and to promote the cause of temperance throughout the country.

COPY OF DEED TO HADLEY FARM.

THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH that Addison Hadley and Martha Jane Hadley, husband and wife, of Hendricks County, State of Indiana, jointly, in consideration and for the purpose of aiding and protecting and educating the class of persons hereinafter named, hereby convey and warrant to Mrs. Mary E. Haggart, Miss Lodie E. Reed, Miss Mary G. Hay, Mrs. Josephine R. Nichols, Mrs. Lena N. Beck, Mrs. Alice Vining Hastings, Miss Mary Hadley, Mrs. Caroline Hodgins and Mrs. Caroline Edgerton, trustees for the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana, which persons are now the duly selected trustees of said organization, and to their successors who may be duly and regularly selected hereafter by said organization, of which Mary E. Haggart is now president, the following described real estate, in Hendricks County, State of Indiana, to-wit: The west half of the northwest quarter of section twenty-four (24) in township fifteen (15), north, in range two (2) west. Also the north thirty (30) acres of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section twenty-four (24), township fifteen (15) north, in range two (2) west; in all one hundred and ten (110) acres more or less.

The above described real estate is hereby conveyed and accepted to be used as a home and Industrial School for needy and indignant girls, at such limitation of age as may be determined by the trustees, not to exceed twenty-four (24) years of age, who may reside in the State of Indiana. Said Institution to be known and designated as The Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Hadley Industrial School For Girls.

The purposes and intentions of the grantors in this case are to aid in the establishment of a home and school where the persons hereinbefore described may have the advantage of moral training and Christian and Temperance instruction, and a literary and industrial education in such pursuits as will enable them to be self-supporting, that they may thereby be prepared for useful lives, and that the cause of humanity and the religion as taught by our Saviour Jesus Christ may be promoted in the world.

In harmony with the foregoing purposes, the following conditions must be regarded and observed by the grantees herein and their successors:

1s—That under no circumstances or pretenses shall said real estate or the rents or profits thereof be used for any other purposes than those specified herein.

2d—That no intoxicating liquors, narcotics nor tobacco, nor anything that may be intended for, or are to be used for hilarious or stupefying effect upon the brain or body, shall be produced, sold or used upon the premises, except for experimental or mechanical purposes.

3d—No military school instruction or drill or military parade or display shall be permitted upon said real estate.

4th—That no persons shall be employed or permitted to reside upon or board or lodge upon said real estate, who is guilty of profane swearing or using obscene, vulgar or vile language, or is of a disreputable character.

5th—That no religion shall be preached, read, taught or expounded or in any way encouraged or permitted upon said premises other than the Christian Religion as taught and understood by the followers and servants of our Lord Jesus Christ, as generally understood and taught at this day by Protestant Churches, nor shall any person be employed in any capacity upon said premises who does not accept and believe the essential truths of Christianity.

6th—There shall be a general assembly for all the officers, inmates and employees, except such as may be excused because of sickness, once each day, at which time a portion of the Holy Bible shall be read and followed by an appropriate and reasonable religious service.

7th—Every officer, inmate and employee, and every other person or persons shall attend a school at some hour each Sabbath for instruction in the Scriptures, and any one who can attend such school and refuses so to do, shall be dismissed from employment or official position, except in the case of a pupil upon the promise of a parent, guardian, matron, or the pupil not to repeat such disobedience, and an apology for such conduct.

8th—That no style of dress on or about the premises that is injurious to the health of body or mind shall be worn.

And last but not least, all questions of right and wrong, moral and immoral, just and unjust, and differences of opinion, together with any and all questions that may ever come up, shall be judged and settled by the spirit and teachings as laid down in the teachings of Christ in what is known as the Sermon on the Mount, as it appears in the Gospel of St. Matthew, fifth, sixth and seventh chapters in the New Testament, as it is now printed in most common use among Christian denominations.

In event that the said organization the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, of Indiana, by ceasing to exist, or the death in whole or any part of the Trustees as aforesaid, and the provisions herein made for the selection of trustees shall

fail, then the court of Hendricks County, Indiana, having jurisdiction of probate business shall select the same number of persons, distinguished for religious character and capacity for such work as herein contemplated, and who shall be fully identified and in full harmony with the purposes, provisions and work contemplated by the provisions of this deed as Trustee, and fill all vacancies in said number that may occur, so that said institution and its work may be perpetuated.

If pupils should apply for admission by parent or guardian who are able and willing to pay for their education and expenses, they may be admitted subject to the terms and conditions herein expressed, if the said trustees so determine, but not to the inconvenience of the class herein first named.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Addison Hadley and Martha Jane Hadley, his wife, have hereunto set their hands and seals, this, the twenty-eighth day of October, eighteen hundred and ninety.

ADDISON HADLEY,
MARTHA JANE HADLEY.

State of Indiana, ss,

Hendricks County:

Personally appeared before me, William A. Regan, notary public, in and for said county and State, Addison Hadley and Martha Jane Hadley, his wife, and acknowledged the execution of the annexed deed to be their voluntary act and deed.

Witness my hand and official seal this 28th day of October, 1890.

WILLIAM A. REGAN,
Notary Public.

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION.

To Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Hadley Industrial School For Girls.

Answer Every Question.

- 1—Give the full name and residence of the applicant. Name _____ Postoffice _____ State of Indiana _____
- 2—Give date and place of birth. Born the _____ day of _____ 190 _____
- 3—Give full name and residence of father if living _____
- 4—If not living give date, place and cause of death _____
- 5—Give full name and residence of mother if living _____
- 6—If not living give date, place and cause of death _____
- 7—Has applicant a guardian? _____ If so give his or her name and P. O. _____
- 8—If any brothers and sisters give their names and postoffice address _____
- 9—If any uncles and aunts give their names and postoffice address _____
- 10—Is the applicant of sound mind? _____
- 11—What studies has the applicant pursued? _____ In what grade in public school? _____
- 12—Has the applicant any bodily deformity or in infirmity? _____ If so what? _____
- 13—Is the applicant truthful and honest? _____ Does she use profane language? _____ Is she disposed to appreciate her opportunities? _____
- 14—Has the applicant had measles? _____ Whooping cough? _____ Scarlet fever? _____ Varioloid? _____ Has the applicant been successfully vaccinated? _____
- 15—If the father is living state why he is unable to educate the applicant _____
- 16—If mother is living state why she is unable to educate the applicant _____
- 17—Has the applicant any property? _____ If so state the amount and how invested _____

Agreements.

Taking the foregoing questions with their respective answers as a basis, I hereby apply for admission of _____ to the Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Hadley Industrial School for Girls, on the conditions and agreements herein named.

I agree to resign and release all management and control of my daughter or ward _____ to the Trustees of W. C. T. U., Hadley Industrial School for Girls, until she is eighteen years of age, or until said Trustees or myself secure a suitable and permanent home for said _____ which home must be mutually satisfactory to said Trustees and myself.

I agree that the education of the said applicant shall be under the direction and control of the Trustees of said Industrial School as long as the applicant remains in the said school.

I agree to furnish all necessary money with which to purchase such clothing, books, stationery, medical aid and nursing as the Superintendent of the School, under the direction of the Trustees may deem necessary and in such way as they may direct. Upon notification of the needs of said applicant I agree to respond promptly with the necessary means.

If at any time I am officially notified by the Trustees of said School through _____ W. C. T. U. Union, or otherwise that the presence of said _____ in said school is unsatisfactory or detrimental to its interests.

I agree to furnish at once the means necessary to her removal, and that said applicant shall be returned to her home, or to the place from which she was received, or to such place as said Trustees may approve or consent to.

I Further Agree.

1—That all money furnished for the use of said applicant shall be sent to the Superintendent of the school, and kept in trust and expended for said applicant by said Superintendent or as said Superintendent may advise.

2—That all mail matter addressed to said applicant shall first be examined by the Superintendent, and if in any case it shall be found to be immoral or of such a character as in her judgment should not be read by said applicant, said Superintendent shall withhold it. Also that said Superintendent shall inspect the outgoing mail of said applicant and forward or retain it or have it revised as she may deem best. That said applicant shall be limited to two communications per month, one letter and one postal card.

3—That all visiting between said applicant and her parents or benefactors shall be done at the institution.

The foregoing answers given by me in making application to the Trustees of the said Industrial School for said _____ are true to the best of my knowledge and belief. Also, I make the foregoing agreement of my own free will and choice.

Signed _____
Postoffice _____ County _____ State of Indiana _____

Affidavit.

State of Indiana _____ County _____
Before me a notary public within and for said county and said State personally appeared _____ and duly acknowledged the execution of the above agreement. Witness my hand and official seal this _____ day of _____ 190 _____

Notary Public.

Endorsement.

The _____
(on this line write the name of Union giving this endorsement)
of town or city, of _____ County of _____ State of Indiana
hereby endorse the foregoing applicant and agreement made by said _____ to Indiana W. C. T. U., Hadley Industrial School Trustees, and said W. C. T. U., hereby guarantee the faithful performance of the same.
Signed this _____ day of _____ 190 _____ by order of said W. C. T. U.

President _____ Secretary _____

Physician's Certificate.

I, _____ a Physician engaged in the practice of medicine in the State of Indiana hereby certify that on this _____ day of _____ 190 _____ I made a personal medical examination of _____ who is applying for admission to Indiana W. C. T. U. Hadley Industrial School for Girls, and I find that she is not idiotic, epileptic, or paralytic, and is free from contagious diseases, and is not incapable by reason of feeble-mindedness of receiving instruction in the common schools.
Name _____ Address _____

WHISKEY AND MEDICINE.

A new ruling of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue extends the special tax imposed upon manufacturers of spirits and upon retail liquor dealers to those who manufacture and those who sell to the public, alcohol compounds purporting to be remedies for diseases and containing, in addition to the distilled spirits, only substances which are not of a character to impart any medical quality to the compound. This will probably not diminish the use of favorite tipples which masquerade as sovereign remedies, but will add materially to the Government revenues and place the disguised whiskey in its proper relation to the taxing power. The consumer pays that tax eventually. The heavy federal excise tax had no perceptible effect upon the bibulous habits of the public. The price of a tipple has remained about the same wherever the whiskey tax has been.

The Government is not a reformatory institution. In taxing the whiskey concealed under seductive labels promising health, long life and cheerfulness to the afflicted, the government is only looking for more revenue. It is surprising that the ingenious taxgatherers have for so many years treated a palpable evasion with so much leniency. The legitimate use of alcohol in medical preparations is not touched by the new ruling. If the drugs contained with the whiskey or other alcoholic liquor are of such a character, or are used in sufficient quantities to give a medical quality to the liquor "other than which it may inherently possess," the compound is not included in the ruling.—Exchange.

A TERRIBLE INDICTMENT.

Slowly the nation is becoming to realize that the trade which provides the country with \$140,000,000 a year by way of revenue is costing the local ratepayer almost as many millions in rectifying the disastrous results of that trade or maintaining its social wreckage. It is not merely in workhouses and asylums that the result of the drink curse are seen. They can be found in every prison in enormous proportions; they are self evident in imbecile asylums; they are overwhelmingly apparent in the ranks of the unemployed. They are largely responsible for the mass of suffering humanity found in our hospitals; they, in company with the results of vice—a first cousin of drink—are responsible for much filthy disease and death of young children; they mean murder of thousands of young children every year by overlaying; they bring in their train, filthy habits, dirty homes, suicide, and murder, and they entail the employment of an army of judges, magistrates, police officers, the cost of which is well-nigh incalculable. We desire to point out that so long as drink is responsible for half the crimes, three fourths of the pauperism, and at least a quarter of the launty of this country, it is the business of the taxpayer to do all that is humanly possible to strike at the root of the evil, the burden of which is increasing every year and promising to crush the sober taxpayer in his enforced tax of supporting his drunken brother. If this evil does not demand redress, we do not know one that does! And until it is redressed all the proposals dealing with various phases of pauperism are like so much beating of the air.—Exchange.

IN MEMORIAM.

In the death of Mrs. Caroline Mendenhall which occurred on January 4th, an irretrievable loss has been sustained, not only by the Deer Creek Local W. C. T. U., but more than 500 White Ribboners of Grant County is conscious of the fact that a great force in the department of Mother's Meetings has gone.

Carrie Mendenhall was endowed with a far reaching mission as to the possibilities of a mother's influence, and with her depth of thought and strength of character she was eminently fitted for her department both in the local and the county.

In her own union, not only the Mother's Department is left vacant but also the Vice President's chair, and in her home an invalid husband will miss the loving sympathy and christian fortitude that characterized her life. Her greatest wish was to live for him who never makes a mistake, and now she has heard the words well done, "Enter into the joys of Thy Lord."

UNION SIGNAL BRIEFS.

The Course of Study, beginning in the January 4th issue, is your opportunity for study along W. C. T. U. lines. Enroll now. Full information may be obtained by addressing Course of Study Department, The Union Signal, Evanston, Ill.

March 1st is Union Signal Day. Roll in the subscriptions! Why not have a subscription contest? Write us for ideas and suggestions.

You will need a large number of the February 22d, Union Signal for distribution at your March 1st meeting. Order early, that papers may reach you in time. Price two cents per copy; \$1.75 per 100. Subscription price \$1.00 per year.

Address The Union Signal, Evanston, Ill.

The March issue of The Crusader Monthly will be especially adapted for distribution on the Quarterly Temperance Sunday, March 25. Please order early. Price if ordered before February 20, \$1.20 per 100. Regular price two cents per copy; \$1.75 per 100. Subscription price 25 cents per year.

Address The Crusader Monthly, Evanston, Ill.

WHISKEY NOT GOOD FOR GRIP.

COLUMBUS, Ind., Jan. 12.—At a meeting of the Bartholomew County Medical Society, last night, Dr. E. U. Wood read a paper on "Grip," and which he said that neither quinine nor whiskey was good medicine to be used either before or during an attack of the grippe. The physicians who attended the meeting agreed with him, and hereafter the people who take whiskey for the grippe will be committing the same sin in the eyes of the local medical profession as if they had actually fallen from the water wagon.—Indianapolis News.

TENNESSEE.

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Cities	Saloons	Tax Receipts	Joints
Nashville	205	307	102
Memphis	615	907	292
Jackson	20?	37	17
Columbia	14	14	00
Mt. Pleasant	2?	2?	00
Clarksville	20	31	11
Total	876	1298	422

On a personal examination of the records of the Collector of Internal Revenue here, I find that there are in force in this Nashville district at this time, 1,388 of these Federal tax receipts, 1,289 of which are shown in the above table to be in the license cities, leaving only 90 for the entire Prohibition section of the revenue district. 400 Per Cent more "Joints" Under License Than

Prohibition.

In other words, while there are 422 "joints" in the six licensed places of this revenue district, there are but 92 in all the Prohibition towns, cities and villages.

There are thus nearly five times as many "joints" in the six licensed places as in all the hundreds of Prohibition towns and cities combined.

As I write these lines the sun is approaching its meridian, and the dome of the capitol on its high hill sweeps its shadow across the buildings on the north. Each day, this shadow sweeps over 36 of these unlicensed speakeasies or joints within two blocks of the State House grounds. Democratic Nashville permits it.

In the capitol city of the State there are, according to the records, more speakeasies than in all the hundreds of Prohibition towns and cities on the western half of the State combined.

In the single licensed city of Memphis there are more than three times as many speakeasies as in all the combined, Prohibition towns and cities of the western half of the State.

Here is a chance for some jackanape to write an article for the outlook, telling how Prohibition breeds "speakeasies" and "hypocrisy" in Tennessee.

The Bloomington matron's contest, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U., was well attended.

The opening address by Mrs. Kitson gave a general idea of the scope of work covered by the W. C. T. U. and a brief history of the Hadley Industrial School. The contestants, without an exception, rendered their pieces well and in a forcible manner. The judges awarded the silver medal to Mrs. O. N. Siebenthal, President of the local Union.

The Four-Mile Law.

The Supreme Court of Tennessee has decided that any law requiring any sort of referendum is unconstitutional, so the State has and can have no local option legislation. The people have gotten around this peculiarity, however, in a curious way.

In 1877, at the solicitation of an Episcopal school, the University of the South, at Sewanee, the legislature passed an act prohibiting the sale of liquor within four miles of any incorporated institution of learning, provided the institution was outside of an incorporated town. This was the original "Four-Mile Law."

Numerous towns at once began taking advantage of this law by simply incorporating their schools, thus driving the liquor shops out everywhere.

In 1887, this law was extended to apply to any school house outside of a town not incorporated.

The Prohibition Party's Great Work.

During the "eighties" and the "nineties," the Prohibition party prophets went up and down the State, stirring up the people against the saloon. They were a thorn in the side of the old party policies and a constant source of apprehension to the traffic. The Prohibition party plowed and harrowed the ground for the present abundant crop of woe for the liquor dealers. It is conceded that it was the work of Prohibition party agitators that forced the constitutional amendment campaign of 1887, and finally forced the radical extensions of the "Four-Mile Law" in recent years.

In 1899 the legislature extended the provisions of the "Four-Mile Law" to towns of 2,000 inhabitants or less that should "hereinafter be incorporated." Then followed a stampede of towns surrendering their charters so as to be "hereinafter incorporated."

The Adams Law.

In 1903, the legislature extended the provisions of the "Four-Mile Law" to towns of 5,000 which should be "hereinafter incorporated." This is known as the "Adams Law," and is but another amendment to original "Four-Mile Law." Within a few months forty more towns surrendered their charters so as to be "hereinafter incorporated" and so came under the provisions of the law.

Every town in the State, save five, under 5,000 population, has now driven out the saloon.

In 1896, State Local Option League was formed to work for local option legislation, but the generally conceded fact that under Tennessee laws such legislation was unconstitutional, rendered its work ineffective. A few years later the Local Option League was succeeded by the Anti-Saloon League which, instead of working for local option sought the extension of the "Four-Mile Law," now known as the "Adams Law," with much success. The League can scarcely be called a League in this State, but is rather a self constructed executive committee, working under the leadership of Rev. Edgar E. Folk, editor of the Baptist Reflector of this city. The League, however, being chiefly made up of the Democratic preachers, has the ear of the Democratic party leaders and is doing heroic work in whipping into line the Democratic whiskey strongholds of the western part of the State.—Exchange.

SOUTH CAROLINA AFTER QUACK MEDICINES.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Nov. 2.—The State constabulary has taken up the bogus patent medicine crusade and are out after the quack nostrums with a sharp stick, especially those which contain alcohol in appreciable amounts.

The following is an official circular letter directed against the various well-known patent medicines sold in this State:

"To Division Chief Constables and Members of the Constabulary Force: I am handing you below a list of patent medicines and other goods which are being sold in this State, and which have been analyzed by the State chemist. From this report I find they are strongly alcoholic, and under the law of South Carolina can not be handled except as provided by that law. Reputable licensed druggists are permitted to dispose of them upon prescriptions, but not otherwise, and you are hereby authorized to make seizure of same whenever found when you can satisfy yourselves that they are being used as a beverage.

"Sections 555, 574, 575 and 606, of the dispensary law, will amply post you, and from them you will observe that druggists can not legally sell these goods except upon prescription from a practicing physician, and it can be given only to bona fide patients.

Name of Goods	Spirit Proof.
Maltine	8.20
Dr. Jule's Celery and Pepsin Tonic	90.00
Blackberry Bounce (Jones Bros.)	13.00
Blackberry Bounce (O. L. Gregory Vin Co.)	18.50
Cherry Phosphate (Oklahoma Vin Co.)	10.00
Catawba Bounce	26.40
Blackberry Nectar	10.00
Cherry Bounce (R. M. Hughes & Co.)	10.00
Cherry Phosphate	10.00
Dr. Black's Blackberry and Ginger	57.06
Cuban Gingeric	61.10

Peruna	52.00
Hostetter's Stomach Bitters	82.60
Gee Whiz	about 2.00
Pabst Malt	12.20
Nurnberger's Malt	6.80
Caromel Malt Tonic	6.50
Port-O Tonic	23.20
Eureka Kidney Cure	59.70
Williams Kidney Cure	50.00
DeWitt's Stomach Bitters	65.20
Mexican Beef, Wine and Iron	12.00
Daniel's Grape Juice	12.25
Non-Alcoholic Logerade	about 2.00
Blackberry Phosphate (O. L. Gregory Vin Co.)	17.00
Beerine (S. Becker)	1.70
Wurtzburger Malt	10.00
Peruvia	45.30
Atwood's LaGrippe Specific	62.30
Wild Cherry Tonic	37.00
Checkers	58.50
Peach Phosphate	17.60
Curacao Tonic	56.20
Heitz's Curative Bitters	43.00
I. X. L. Bitters	52.50
Walker's Tonic	39.50
Joy	16.60
Perfection	1.60
Columbia Extract Malt	6.80
Alpine Celery Compound	32.80
Sizemore's Aromatic Elixir Ginger	56.60

"I want to call your attention to the fact that all ciders are alcoholic. This is necessary to their preservation, consequently cider of any kind can not be sold.

"U. B. HAMMEL,

"Chief State Constable."

—From National Advocate.

BILLS IN CONGRESS.

While the Fifty-first Congress, 1890-1891, was a record breaking year so far as temperance legislation was concerned, the Fifty-ninth Congress is likely to even surpass that in the attention given to measures involved in the temperance reform, and it is to be hoped will surpass it in the temperance legislation enacted.

At the request of the National Temperance Society the following bills have been introduced in the Senate by Mr. Gallinger:

A Commission of Inquiry Bill. Providing for the appointment by the President of a commission on the alcoholic liquor traffic. (This is known as Senate Bill 42.) It shall be the duty of the commission to investigate the liquor traffic, its relation to revenue and taxation, as well as its economic, criminal, moral and specific aspects, including pauperism, crime, social vice, the public health; and shall also inquire as to the practical results of license and prohibitory legislation for the prevention of intemperance in the several States.

Senate Bill 808. Providing that the Federal Government shall not grant liquor tax receipts to persons residing in prohibitory territory, State or local. The Government ought to encourage obedience of law instead of violation of law.

Copies of these bills may be had by writing to the clerk of the document room, United States Senate, Washington, D. C.

The National Temperance Society has also had introduced the following bills:

(a) A bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in the District of Columbia.

(b) An amendment to the Federal Constitution. The adaption by Congress of a resolution submitting to the several States an amendment to the Federal Constitution which, when ratified by the Legislatures of three-fourths of the States, will prohibit henceforth the manufacture, importation, transportation and sale of all alcoholic liquors as a beverage in the United States and in every place subject to their jurisdiction.

In 1875 Hon. H. W. Blair, on behalf of the National Temperance Society, offered in the House of Representative a joint resolution to thus amend the Constitution of the United States, and in the Fifty-first Congress the prohibitory amendment to the Federal Constitution formulated by the National Temperance Society was favorably reported in both the Senate and House of Representatives, though too late in the session to be acted up by either body. Let the friends of temperance in every State petition Congress to pass such an amendment now.

(c) Proprietary Medicines. The Legislative Committee has also in preparation a national bill with reference to the manufacture and sale of proprietary medicines.

In addition to these bills the National Temperance Society is co-operating with other temperance and reform organizations in efforts to secure the passage of Congress of:

(1) The Hepburn-Dolliver Interstate Liquor Bill. Providing that liquor shipped from one State to another shall be subject to the law of the State into which it is shipped as soon as it crosses the State line.

(2) The McCumber-Sperry Bill. To prohibit rum selling in all buildings owned by the Federal Government.

(3) The 21 years' prohibition of the liquor traffic as a condition of Statehood for the Indian Territory.—National Advocate.

FIELD NEWS

AN INVITATION.

To all our friends though far or near,
We crave your kind attention;
So please lend us now your ear
While we a subject mention.
The W. C. T. U. will hold
On a day not distant far,
If we have been correctly told,
A "Handkerchief Bazaar."
So this, then is our plea in brief
To help our enterprise.
You each shall send a handkerchief
Of any kind or size.
To be without a handkerchief
You know is quite distressing
From every state let one be sent,
'Twill surely be a blessing.

The Bright Union held a Silver Medal Contest the second one for this year, in the Christian church, on January 11th. The attendance was large. Mrs. Lettie Siefferman won the medal. The contestants were all young married ladies. We expect to hold our second public meeting for this year on February 17th.

Mrs. Gullie E. Shugart, Grant county's President, called a special meeting of the County Central Committee to select a woman to take the place of the late Mrs. Caroline Mendenhall as superintendent of Mothers Meetings. Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson was chosen to fill the unexpired term.

What Bloomington W. C. T. U. has done last quarter:

Six new members.
Held five meetings.
Rummage sale netted \$23.37.
Contest for Hadley Home netted \$12.00.
Blanket remonstrance against thirteen saloons and gained large majority—soon have college town with no saloons.
Furnished room in Bloomington New Hospital, \$50.00.
Sent \$1.50 for Organization Fund.
Bought ten annual Minutes.
Sent State Treasurer \$21.00.
This is indeed a live Union and with the help of our State officers we do want a county organization.

Bloomington Union held one oratorical contest for Hadley School on December 30, and sent the Treasurer \$12.00.

The Princeton W. C. T. U. with one exception held two meetings each month, also, one executive meeting a month. At the last quarterly meeting, December 13, 1905, there were reports from Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer and from many Superintendents of Departments. Superintendent of Literature reported that 300 had signed the pledge at the gospel temperance meeting held under the auspices of the W. C. T. U., when six temperance lectures were given by Dr. Gieser, pastor of the C. P. church in November. About 200 pledge cards and 800 pages of literature were given to the Sunday School of the city for use in Temperance Sabbath. Other literature has been given and loaned in quantities.

The Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction has visited the city schools and found some work was being done along that line.

In September the County Orphans Home was visited by a delegation of members of the Union and the leaders of the Sunday School class of little girls, there was a program by the orphans, and a treat was left for them. A representative was sent to the conference of the State Board of Charities and Corrections. Also a delegate to the Anti-Saloon League convention. The Press Superintendent stated she had tried to keep our work before the people, through the city papers.

The State Superintendent of Institutes offers as a prize, a W. C. T. U. bow pin of white enamel on sterling silver to each of four successful competitors who write papers on the subjects given below, under the following conditions:

Paper not to be longer than would take eight minutes to read, and paper must reach me not later than February 24th.

The judges will be women acquainted with these subjects, and the prize papers may be read at all Institutes held in the State.

The names of the winners will receive mention in The Message, and, if space permits, the papers may be published later.

Subjects.

1st. The Loyal Temperance Legion—present and future.

2d The evil effects of Pool Rooms upon our young men. How can we best use our influence against the evil.

3d Pure Food Law.

4th The Patriotism of Women. Is it worthy of expression at the ballot box?

MRS. ROSE PEARCE,

Cayuga, Ind.

Marshall County: The Christian church of Plymouth, Rev. Sheppard, pastor, was very gener-

ously donated for a meeting of the W. C. T. U., called by the county President, Mrs. A. R. Shedd, Thursday, January 11, at 2:00 p. m.

A good audience of interested and enthusiastic women and several brothers responded to the call.

The Rev. Clever, of the U. B. church, rendered valuable assistance.

The Union was re-organized with the following officers:

President, Mrs. Anna Dickinson; vice-president, Mrs. Eva Cullison; Cor. Sec., Miss Emily Stacy; Rec Sec., Mrs. E. J. Kleckner; treasurer, Mrs. Lydia Appleman.

The promise is for good work done in Plymouth. The Lord is with His people.

MARION COUNTY.

Marion County will hold a rummage sale this month and it is hoped to put considerable money in the county treasury. Each Union throughout the county will be expected to contribute something salable to the sale. Time and place announced in papers.

Meridian Union, on January 10th held its regular meeting with Mrs. House. This being the Non-Alcoholic Medication meeting, held in accordance with the State plans for the year, that there be at least one meeting of this kind during the year.

Revival services here have met with great success at the Ella Smith settlement house 1188 Kentucky avenue. Different city ministers assisting. The Palmer Union have undertaken this settlement work.

A Good Meeting was held at 23d and Columbia avenue by some of the Northeast Union ladies and the County President. The meeting was more in the nature of a Mothers' Meeting, though it is hoped that a Union may be the outgrowth of the meeting. Mrs. Walker, evangelistic superintendent led devotions. These new Unions mean a great deal in the growth of temperance sentiment.

Mapleton Union held a successful contest at the North Park Christian church. Rose Anderson of 2419 N. Illinois street receiving the gold medal. An admission fee was charged—\$9.00 taken in. This is encouraging, let us have more contests, each Union taking a deeper interest. The County Superintendent will gladly assist any one applying to her.

The Vayhinger Union had an excellent meeting with their new President, Mrs. Cravens. Mrs. Gipe our county President offered words of encouragement, also two pastors spoke. Four new members secured. An L. T. L. Superintendent was appointed and it is soon hoped to have a flourishing Legion.

The Bridgeport W. C. T. U. meeting met at the home of Mrs. Ethel Miars, December 14. They were favored with a solo entitled "Cold is the Night" by Mrs. Henry Bradley. The members were very much delighted to have with them little Francis E. Willard, who gave inspiration to them by reason of the one for whom she was named. They expressed desire that she might live to be as useful in the temperance cause as Francis E. Senior.

At Broad Ripple a very successful young peoples meeting was held on Sunday, January 7th by the W. C. T. U. in the Christian church. Miss Edith Hillis, of Kokomo, State President Loyal Temperance Legion, made a fine address. Much enthusiasm and great results expected.

Indianapolis Central Union holds its regular meetings on Thursday of every week in the parlor of the Central Avenue Methodist church. The first half hour of each meeting is devoted to an evangelistic service. Time of the meeting being from 2:30 p. m. to 4:00 p. m.

On January 4th Mrs. Ida Mix, State Secretary of the Loyal Temperance Legion accepted an invitation to meet with this Union and presented the work of the Legion in a most impressive and interesting manner.

This Union conducts and maintains a Junior Legion at the Indianapolis Orphans Home.

One of the features of the regular meeting of the Union is a ten minutes study of the Loyal Temperance Legion course of manual study.

The County Executive met Saturday, January 6th with a splendid attendance. Many things of interest was discussed. It was decided to hold a county meeting one a month in order to become more familiar with the work, studying the constitution, and giving attention to matters requiring immediate action by the County. Place of meeting to be announced.

February 6th the Local Council will meet. This being W. C. T. U. day. Mrs. Vayhinger and Mrs. Brand speaking. This meeting followed on February 7, by an indoor picnic at the home of Mrs. McWhirter, 2312 College avenue, with Mrs. Vayhinger and Mrs. Brand as guests of honor. Come and bring your lunch.

Miss Leck has organized two Loyal Temperance Legions as county secretary of the L. T. L.

Brazil and Bedford have each been visited by the Black Crook Jr. Burlesque Co.

At Brazil vile hand bills were passed at the machine shops, factories, etc., and put into the hands of boys and men. The bill boards contained obscene pictures.

The newspaper advertisement was as follows:

"Opera House, McGregor's, Will H. Leavitt, manager. Wednesday, December 13, Harry Hastings' big "Black Crook Jr. Burlesque Co.," 25 people, mostly all girls. The great European sensation, Mille Devere "Caught in the Act."

The W. C. T. U. women were appealed to. When approached concerning the show the manager was angry, denied that the show was indecent, the mayor agreed to detail an officer at the opera house and that nothing indecent should appear.

The wonderful agitation of the W. C. T. U. caused the awful features of the show to be eliminated.

The W. C. T. U. sent an article written by its committee to one of the newspapers telling the public of its intention to follow this agitation with legal proceedings, that they did have evidence that the show on the first appearance was vile in the extreme and they intended taking up the law with the billposters, they were obscene and placed in a public place near the coliseum where the young people go. The paper did not publish the article!

The Union offered ten dollars reward for information as to who passed the hand bills. Permission has been asked to appear before the city council. The literary clubs are asked to send representatives with committee before the city council.

At Bedford the announcement that this "Black Crook Jr." company would appear at the opera house caused consternation on account of the nature of its performance there about ten nights previous.

Finding that prayers with the city officials avail nothing, the members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union decided to attend the performance of the "Black Crook" at the Stone opera house last night.

For twenty-four hours the ladies assisted by the various pastors had unsuccessfully sought to have the performance prohibited, and failing, they decided to "carry the war into Egypt" and most prominent members, headed by Rev. R. Scott Hyde, of the M. E. church, decided that they would witness the performance.

Bills scattered about town informed the boys "We are here nuff ced," stirred the sports like a call to arms. The news spread that the ladies of the W. C. T. U. were going to attend the performance, and there was a rush for tickets to see what the ladies would do.

Chief of Police Myers called on the manager of the "Black Crook" company and advised him to be careful of what was said and done on the stage. The manager expressed a desire to "roast" the ladies, and Chief Myers promptly warned him that at the first outbreak or any vulgar or suggestive language indulged in, meant prompt arrests.

The ladies' object had been accomplished and the performance compared to that of ten days ago was frigid, in fact to tame for the "men only" audience that expected its money's worth.

Rev. Scott Hyde, pastor of the M. E. church was asked by the Mail this morning for his impression of the show.

Dr. Hyde said:

"When it was learned that the play called 'Black Crook,' which was given in our city more than a week ago was to be repeated this week, a storm of protest came to us from every quarter. The W. C. T. U. was at once besieged by many mothers to use their influence to prevent, if possible, the performance. Accordingly representatives of the W. C. T. U. waited on the mayor who claimed that he could do nothing else than grant the company a license, according to the ordinances of the city.

"Failing here, we appealed to the manager of the opera house who insisted that the play was not immoral. But on reliable authority we knew better.

"Information from those who witnessed the performance before, disclosed the fact that the performers more than once went to the limit of vulgarity and indecency, sufficient to bring the blush of shame to the most hardened face. We attended hoping that our presence would force the company to eliminate at least some of the vile scenes.

"In this we were not disappointed. We know to a certainty that the play was not an exact reproduction of a week ago.

"But it was vile enough from start to finish. Outside of the indecent attire of the actresses (?) by an artful play on words, the vilest suggestions aglow with the fire of hell, were flung to the audience which is picked up and cheered to the echo, and sad to say, the majority of the audience were boys and young men, ranging from fourteen to twenty years.

"Many of the boys went out of the opera house last night with a deadly serpent gnawing at the vitals of his soul. It was a ghastly undoing of the morals of the youth of our city.

"There can be no justification of such a performance. The statement that the 'public demands it' is false. Because a few vile minds will support so vile a performance does not argue that it is public demand. They do not represent the public by any means.

"In truth they are a very inconsiderable part of the public. Such a statement is not only false, but a vile insinuation at the morals of our city."—Bedford Mail.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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THE MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE.

The Mid-Year Executive of the W. C. T. U. of Indiana will meet in Central Avenue M. E. church corner Central avenue and 12th street, Indianapolis, Ind., at 10 a. m. on April 4th, 1906. The "Executive Committee consists of all the officers of the State Union, the President and Secretary of the Board of Superintendents, and the editor of the State paper." The officers of State Union are the general officers, and the president of each organized county in the State.

When there is no county organization, the presidents of the W. C. T. U. in the county are invited to attend the Executive meeting and sit in the sessions, but will not have the privilege of voting. I trust the Unions wherethere is no county organization will avail themselves of this opportunity to help further the plans for work in the State.

The Ladies Aid Society of Central Avenue church will furnish a 25 cent dinner in the church. The afternoon session will open at 1:30, and as there is much business I trust every woman will be in her place promptly. If the business is not finished, there will be an evening session.

Any woman coming the evening before, or remaining over night, please send her name and when she will arrive to Mrs. Martha L. Gipe, 2114 N. Pennsylvania street at once and entertainment will be provided.

Dear Sisters—May we not have a full executive at this meeting?

It is the duty of the county Union to send its president, paying her expenses, as she is their representative.

CULLA J. VAYHINGER,
President.

INSTITUTES.

The name of the leader for Section Two, East, was not published with schedule in the February, Message. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley of Liberty, Ind., will be the leader in this section and I would like to ask those County Presidents who have not yet written the State Superintendent and leader regarding the Institute to do so as early as possible.

MRS. ROSE PEARCE,
State Supt. Institutes,
Cayuga, Ind.

A list of patent medicines with percentage of Alcohol in each, from report of Massachusetts State Board of Health:

Peruna	23.46
Vinol	15.33
Swamp Root.....	5.87
Ayers' Sarsaparilla	26.2
Hoods' Sarsaparilla	18.8
Radway Resolvent	7.9
Colden's Beef Tonic.....	26.2
Kaufman's Sulphur Bitters.....	25.00
Hoofland's German Bitters.....	25.6
Burdock's Blood Bitters.....	25.2
Baker's Tonic Bitters.....	41.6
Hoofland's German Bitters.....	29.3
Lydia Pinkham's Compound.....	16.77
Munyan's Pawpaw.....	21.59
Hall's Catarrh Cure.....	14.77
Whiskol	28.2
Warner's Safe Tonic Bitters.....	35.7
Richardson's Com. Sherry Wine.....	47.5
Puritana	22.0
Pain's Celery Compound.....	21.0
Hostetter's Stomach Bitters.....	44.3
Drake's Plantation Bitters.....	33.2
Alwood's Quinine Tonic.....	29.2
Mensman's Peptonized Beef Tonic.....	16.5
Lebig's Cocoa Beef Tonic.....	23.2

PATENT AND PROPRIETARY MEDICINES.

The Legislative Committee of the National Temperance Society has with great care prepared a bill governing the manufacture and sale of proprietary medicines, to be introduced in the Legislature of New York, and which can readily be adapted to meet the legal requirements of the legislatures of different States. Some of the ablest lawyers as well as the first medical scientists of New York have examined the bill as formulated, and give it their warmest endorsement.

Friends of temperance in other States who desire such legislation by their Legislature can get copies of this bill on writing to the General Secretary of the National Temperance Society, 3 East Fourteenth street, New York.

THE SWORD THAT GUARDS THEM.

Miss Eva Kilbreth Foster.

From the pen of Gladstone, England's "grand old man," have come to us across the sea, away off here in New-er England, many words of wisdom, but none wiser than these found in Tennyson's Memorials: "The voice of any people is the sword that guards them, or the sword that beats them down."

The Union Signal, the official organ of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, has a claim upon every wearer of the white ribbon; upon every one enjoying the honor of identification with the work and the workers of this mighty organization. It behooves us as a body and as individuals to so "voice" this claim of The Union Signal, upon the American constituency, at least, that March 1 shall find our National President, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, engulfed as never before in new and in renewed subscriptions to the official organ.

To do intelligently and acceptably the work, as representatives of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union we pledge ourselves to do, we must be students of the situation—must take notes of men and events, of the world's actors and of the world's action.

The Union Signal acquaints us not only with today's issues, but within its valued columns is "corralled" much of yesterday's history. Well-trained editors give us weekly through its pages the well-trained thought of twentieth century reformers, and we can not afford to do without these pages.

Through "Our Washington Letter," by way of a single illustration, most valuable information comes to us from week to week, remotely distant from the Nation's capitol, as we are, many of us, we may yet feel the Nation's pulse through these timely bulletins—may learn much concerning the moral health of the great body politic. Then, this official organ is our "home letter," just as Miss Willard said it was, and like all home letters, it allays the chill of the passing storm.

Let us see to it that our "voice" (vigorously championing the cause of our official organ) shall prove indeed "the sword that guards" our interests—not "the sword that beats them down."

In such manner may we best give to the editor-in-chief, our honored and beloved National president, the birthday joy which should be hers.

ANTI-NARCOTIC PLAN OF WORK.

Dear Sisters:—I delayed sending my Plan of Work to the Message during the first quarter, as I wished it to conform to the law regarding the consumption and sale of cigarettes. I was assured that a favorable decision would be rendered by the United States Supreme Court during the early part of December; since then I have been seriously ill. The work must be much the same as in past years. Public addresses, League work, Pledge Signing, and the distribution of Literature. If you find it impossible to support an L. T. L., and a Cigarette League in your Union and the L. T. L. is considered more educational; impress the value of the Anti-Cigarette Department upon the L. T. L. leaders' mind, give her supplies and Pledge Cards and secure reports from the Superintendent of that department, in this way the work of the two departments will not conflict. I am recommending the use of the Anti-Narcotic Oratorical Contest Book (price 10 cents) for use in contests, and for recitations in public meetings and school rooms. There is a growing tendency among teachers in our public schools, to use our publication for supplementary reading, see to it that every teacher in your schools is supplied with Anti-Narcotic Leaflets. A sample package can be secured by writing Miss Ruby Gilbert 131-137 Wabash Ave., Chicago, enclosing 10 one cent stamps: a selection of leaflets can be secured in this way, and those best suited to the purpose can be sent for. As the expense of sending the cigarette law through the mail is so great I should advise County Superintendents to have the placards printed, selling them to the local Unions. The value of these placards is very great when placed in public buildings and school rooms. I made promises to several Superintendents during the last State Convention which I have not kept as I lost the addresses, I am ready to redeem myself. I have the State's supply of Anti-Narcotic Pledge Cards, 10 cents per 100 or \$1.00 per 1,000. I will send copies of the cigarette law for postage, tobacco Pledge Cards may be procured through me or from Mrs. E. B. Ingalls, National Superintendent. I submit the National Plan of work with Mrs. E. B. Ingalls. Congratulations to Indiana for her

good cigarette law. Elizabeth Smith, 1917 Highland Place, Indianapolis, Ind.

National Superintendents' new plans for 1906. First.—To cause the arrest of thought in our own ranks, so that an Anti-Tobacco clause may be inserted in the pledge of the W. C. T. U. for honorary members. Not especially to save men from the tobacco habit, but to protect boys from the example of honorary members with cigars in their mouths. Can you ascertain for me how many Honorary Members you have in your State and how many of these use tobacco? Second.—The Sunday School Association of Illinois has decided to use the "Spring Temperance Sunday" as an Anti-Cigarette Day. this will occur May 20. Will you work upon your Sunday School Association to bring this about in your State, and whether the Sunday School Association adopts the idea or not, will you make May 20th an Anti-Cigarette pledge signing day in all your W. C. T. U. ranks? Third.—Mrs. Dietrich of New York has formulated a plan to put the enclosed little leaflet into Sunday School books,

A NEW ARITHMETIC.

I am not much of a mathematician," said the cigarette, "but I can add to a man's nervous troubles, I can subtract from his physical energy, I can multiply his aches and pains, I can divide his mental powers, I take interest from his work and discount his chances for success."

library books, and day school books. The one with mucilage back is pasted in a prominent part of the book, where it will catch the eye of the boy many times. Please consider if you cannot get your women to take up this plan and also circulate the leaflet without mucilage back, furnished for distribution. I can furnish the (sticker) leaflet for 15 cents per hundred, for the one without mucilage back send to Mrs. Emma Graves Dietrich, 84 Walnut street, Lockport, N. Y.

Very truly,

E. B. INGALLS,
5250 W. Minster Place,
St. Louis, Mo.

National Superintendent of Anti-Narcotics and National Anti-Cigarette League.

Lecturers in this department are Mrs. Ida B. Cole, Kirkwood, Mo.; Mrs. Helen Stoddard, Fort Worth, Texas; Mrs. Frances Beachamp, Lexington, Ky.; Miss Anna Quinby, Edenton, Ohio.

I ask your assistance in carrying out these plans of the National Superintendent.

ELIZABETH SMITH.

The Detroit Free Press, under the title "The Menace of Mormonism," quotes the Arizona Star, of Tucson, to the effect that Mormon hierarchy has its plans laid to secure the political control of both New Mexico and Arizona. There are now in Old Mexico 50,000 Mormons, who went there from Arizona, who are preparing to return, and colonies will be sent from Utah, Idaho and Wyoming. Arizona has already felt their efforts to control local affairs, and these, it is urged, would be greatly increased if the Territory were to become a State. The Free Press says:

"The situation as it is thus indicated is too serious to pass unnoticed. It is so much in accord with what has been proved to be the fixed policy of the Mormons that it carries the stamp of truth on its face. With New Mexico and Arizona as one State of two States it is a justified prediction that twenty years hence there will be a Mormon empire of vast extent in the West. It will include Utah, Idaho, Wyoming and perhaps Montana. In this empire there will be a union of church and state, for the allegiance to the church will be first. Polygamy will flourish as it now flourishes in Utah. The practices disclosed by the witnesses who testified in the Reed Smoot case will not only go unpunished; they may be legalized. In the State itself the Mormons will eventually secure a representation which will enable them to exact consideration for their measures. The remote possibility of such an empire is enough to cause hesitation in Congress; its immediate prospect should meet with immediate measure to prevent it. Mormonism is a danger which is discounted by the ignorance of it in the East. But it is a real danger, because it involves hostility to about every institution which reflects the genius of the American republic."

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Worlds W. C. T. U. Convention, 1906, Boston, Mass., October 17-23. National W. C. T. U. Convention 1906, Hartford, Conn., October 26-31.

By action of the State Central Committee, on account of the limited size of The Message, Resolution passed by the Unions regarding the beautiful lives of the departed members can not be published. The account of the passing over of members is given in "In Memoriam" notices.

THE MESSAGE.

From a personal letter signed Lou Van Horn, Seymour, Ind., we quote. "I must tell you The Message was never so full of news and encouragement as now. People surely know 'what is the W. C. T. U. doing,' if they read its pages. God bless you in your good work."

MARSHALL COUNTY.

The Plymouth Union being reorganized is encouraging but Marshall County women need to have the cooperation of all friends of the W. C. T. U. If you have a friend at Plymouth write her to give her support to the Union there.

Women of Indiana! Now is the time to arouse yourselves, write letters, make visits and do personal work for your own Union and for the Unions wherever you have an interest. The county seat towns must become stronger factors in this temperance work, of course they are harder to work in, and just for that reason the work is so greatly needed.

WAR ON "QUART SHOPS."

It is a notorious fact that, everywhere, more Government licenses are issued than either State or local licenses to sell intoxicating liquors. In every instance where such Government license exists without a State license the holder is selling illegally—an effort to hunt down these law-breakers has been started by an order of the U. S. Treasurer instructing collectors of Internal Revenue to hold secret the names of every liquor dealer to whom he issues license. The collector can not be reached by process of law. He is not subject to the summons of any court nor does he have to testify.

Such condition of affairs places the Government of the United States in position of protecting and

encouraging law breakers. It is nothing short of sowing seeds of anarchy.

The war against this injustice to state and municipalities has been inaugurated. Liquor organs are complaining of the injustice to dealers who comply with the law in so far as obtaining license is involved. The "speak easy," "boot leg" fellows are of no value to the retailers organization. They are worthless to the organs and only contribute to the coffers of the U. S. Treasurer and the other partners, distillers and brewers.

Seeing the situation and also under pressure from the increasing prohibition territory Hon. George A. Pearre of Maryland has introduced a bill providing that unless the applicant for a U. S. Tax Receipt (license) is able to produce a State license or permit to show that he is engaged in a legal business, the U. S. Receipt shall be refused. Other bills of similar nature have been introduced by Congressmen Humphreys, Bowie, and Clark. Senator Gallinger is also very active and a postal card to him addressed Washington City, D. C., requesting his speech will repay every reader of The Message.

Senator Beveridge has consented to give the Pearre Bill consideration when it reaches the Senate. Governor Hanley has approved this measure over his signature to a petition now being circulated among prominent men which will be forwarded to the Ways and Means Committee within a few days. Now with such backing won't you ask your husbands, sons and voting friends to spend a few moments in writing a postal card to your member of Congress, requesting his aid in passing the Pearre Bill, denying U. S. permit to every applicant who has not first secured a State license. It means much for prohibition territory and for encouraging respect for law.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, BRAZIL, IND.

The following letter to our State Treasurer is from Mr. W. E. Carpenter of Brazil, Ind., Supt. of the fourth largest Sunday School in Methodism in the whole world.

"Miss Clara M. Sears, Anderson, Ind:

"Dear Friend:—We are delighted to receive the beautiful life-size picture of Miss Frances E. Willard and have placed on the wall in our main Sunday School room right where the school can look at all times on the face of so good and true woman. I presented the picture to the school yesterday and read your letter. They enthusiastically and unanimously accepted the gift by a rising vote, and I am instructed by our school to extend to you and the State W. C. T. U. our sincerest appreciation and thanks for this splendid gift. We shall always remember with pleasure the meeting of the State Convention here and look forward with pleasant anticipations to your coming again.

"We had a great decision day in our Sunday School, over 200 knelt at the altar at our time to decide for Christ. Almost the entire school of 728 present knelt for a baptism for service. (This did not include the primary department.) It was a wonderful time.

"Cordially,
"W. E. CARPENTER."

AN EXPLANATION.

Dear Press Workers:—Forgive me please for not making my message clear to you in my letter in the last Message.

The prize which I offer is to the County Press Superintendent and they in turn can make such offers to the local members as they see fit to stimulate them in the work, and the local Press Superintendent can help their County Superintendent in competing for this splendid book which I will give.

Yours for advancement in our work,
LAURA CAMMACK,
State Supt. Press Department.
Converse, Ind.

PATHETIC SCENE.

From a Hartford City paper we quote: the following:

"The mother clasping to her cold breast the remains of her infant daughter, whose birth had caused her untimely demise, with the parents and husband bending in sorrow over the bier that held both forms stilled by the hand of death, is the extreme pathetic scene that touched the hearts of the many mourners at the funeral of Mrs. H. H. Peele and her infant daughter which was held Tuesday afternoon at the home of the parents of Mrs. Peele, of this city, Mr. and Mrs. Stahl.

Princeton has a Loyal Temperance Legion with 45 members. The meetings are held in the Gibson Street Methodist Church and the pastor teaches one of the boys' classes.

Recently the Union held a very successful Mothers' Meeting, many new members are being received. An organizer is to work in the county soon.

The Sabbath Observance call to prayer leaflets are now ready at 10 cents per 100. Order the same from State Superintendent. Katie Wert Holler, South Bend, Ind.

SPITTING.

The following verses were read before Indianapolis Central Union by the writer, Mrs. Rosa Browne and published by request:

Should a woman on the sidewalk strangely tack from side to side,
Don't conclude that she's been drinking, and requires a pathway wide.
She's but shunning the uncleanness that some fifth men have left,
Men who are not yet enlightened, or of manners are bereft.

Lord, how long, O Lord, how long, still, shall they so pollute the ways
That the passer must be watchful, and must tread them like a maze?
And how long, O Lord, how long still, must we breathe to our great hurt
All this dust of deadly poison from our streets so filled with dirt?

And these walks are all made filthy by some males—not by true men,
And the ordinance that forbids it fails and fails, and fails again!
But how gladly we give honor to the neat and cleanly men,
If they'd only help the women, this would soon come to an end.

Often in the crowded street car, when a vacant seat we spy
And would rest us, there beneath it is the pool, and we pass by.
"Hanging by the strap is safer," says each woman's face you scan,
And it speaks in mute expression, small regard for such a man.

And we women, so long suffering, beg with tears, caresses too,
That these bipeds take the curbstone, and not spoil our dresses new.
Still these males ignore expressions of displeasure and disgust,
While good people still are saying, "Stop this thing we surely must!"

When the women hold the ballot, they will show their strength and might.
Then offenses so unpleasing will begin to stop all right!
Next to godliness is cleanness, is a truth none will deny,
And these men must mend their manners, if they reach a home on high.

War t' the knife must be the watchword! Let good people agitate;
Force these men to be more cleanly in the capitol of our state,
Through the prodding of our Governor many, beasts are much enraged;
Let good people help to keep them where they are so safely caged.

So it is that all law-breakers hardly know "where they are at!"
Give the Chautauqua salute to Hanley, let all good men doff the hat.
Some day when our men are cleanly and have learned what's just and right,
Women shall become more queenly, men shall reign as kings in might.

O that there were more like Roosevelt, and our brave good Hanley too!
Men who say that law is righteous, and obedience manly, too.
Men with courage of convictions, owning law's high majesty,
Not regarding its restriction of their personal liberty.

Then no town would be "wide open," and all cities would be neat;
Then we could look up while walking, quite unafraid of our feet.
Then what'er for public welfare any town official did,
Would be like the act of Hanley, sitting "holding down the lid."

PURITY IN LITERATURE AND ART.

Purity in literature and art needs the hearty co-operation of every County President; you who have not appointed a Superintendent for this department please do so now and write me today for literature and report blanks.

The fields are ready for the harvest but the gleaners are so few.

My dear sisters may we not begin at once all over the State and work as never before to make this the banner year for Purity in Literature and Art.

Yours in the work,
R. C. TRAVIS,
State Superintendent.

ASK DEFEAT OF LINE EXTENSION BILL.

With reference to the effort being made to get a bill through congress increasing the limit set for the transportation of live stock, Mrs. Flora T. Neff, this city, says:

To the Citizens of U. S. A. Everywhere:
The simple facts are as follows: For 32 years there has been upon our Federal statute books a law which provides two methods of relief for live stock in transportation. First, that they shall not be transported longer than 28 hours without a five hours' stop for food, drink and rest. Second, that where animals are carried in special stock cars where they can and do have proper food, water and space, and opportunity to rest, the provisions in regard to their being unloaded shall not apply.

Even this law, which might seem liberal and humane to some, is the cause of intense suffering, and now the Western Cattle Kings demand that the 28 hours of agony be increased to 33, 36 and 40 hours, even during the hottest and coldest weather.

We quote from eye-witnesses as to results of the present law: "Often upon the arrival of cattle trains hundreds of panting, suffering, dying steers have been drawn from the cars with horrible wounds in their sides where they have unavoidably gored each other in their frantic efforts for breathing space, and festering sores in the most sensitive parts of their bodies inflicted by the goad of the merciless cattle tender. This seemed to be against the interest of all concerned, yet it does not half describe the state of things which the 28 hour law was framed to prevent. It was against the interest of public health that the meat from cattle which had endured such torture should be used for food, yet it was used. After the long struggle to reform these abuses are we now to adopt the policy of retrogression? A wiser policy would be the enactment of a law compelling all shippers to use the improved cars."

Brothers, will you not record your protest against the proposed inhuman amendment to an already inhuman law? It is you as citizens that count. Please ask that the hours be reduced rather than increased. Address any or all of the following:

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, House of Representatives, U. S., Washington, D. C. Fifty-ninth Congress, William P. Hepburn, Chairman. James S. Sherman, New York; Irving P. Wagner, Pennsylvania; James R. Mann, Illinois; William C. Lovering, Massachusetts; Fred C. Stephens, Minnesota; Chas. H. Burke, South Dakota; John J. Ech, Wisconsin; Francis W. Cushman, Washington; Charles E. Townsend, Michigan; Joseph W. Caines, West Virginia; James Kennedy, Ohio; William C. Adamson, Georgia; William H. Ryan, New York; William Richardson, Alabama; Charles L. Bartlett, New York; Gordon Russell, Texas; J. E. Hill, Clerk.

and enroll your name upon the side of right as against might, mercy as against inhumanity, and courage as against greed.

Sincerely,
FLORA TRUEBLOOD NEFF,
Supt. of Mercy, Indiana W. C. T. U.

P. S. The three "starvation to cattle" bills proposed are H. R. 47, 145 and 440. They are now before the above named committee. They are a travesty upon our boasted civilization.—Logansport Journal.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

First quarter, September 15, 1905 to December 28, 1905.

Allen County.	Jackson County.
Hoagland .....\$ .65	Seymour\$ 1.95
Boston 8.45	Crothersville 7.80
Frances Willard. 5.20	
Bartholomew County.	Jefferson County.
Columbus\$ 4.55	Dupont .....\$13.00
Petersville 6.50	Madison 2.60
Hartsville 5.85	Deputy ..... .65
Benton County.	Jay County.
Boswell\$ 6.70	Balbec\$ 1.90
Otterbein 13.00	
Oxford 4.10	
Blackford County.	Jennings County.
Hartford City...\$ 7.15	N. Vernon\$ 3.25
Montpelier 3.90	
Roll 1.95	
Carroll County.	Johnson County.
Burlington\$ 3.25	Franklin\$ 5.20
	Whiteland 1.95
Clay County.	Knox County.
Braizl .....\$14.25	Vincennes\$ 3.90
Brazil (col)..... 4.15	
Clinton County.	LaGrange County.
Frankfort .....\$10.40	Shipshewana\$ 1.95
Kirkland ..... .65	
Mulberry 3.25	
Rossville 3.25	
Delaware County.	Lake County.
Muncie\$ 2.60	Crown Point ...\$ 1.30
Albany 1.30	Hammond 9.10
Eaton 1.95	
Normal City.... 2.60	
Dubois County.	La Porte County.
Hillsboro .....\$ .65	La Porte\$ 2.60
	Michigan City ... 3.90
Elkhart County.	Lawrence County.
Elkhart\$ 4.55	Bedford\$ 9.10
Goshen 4.55	Mitchell 5.85
Middlebay ..... .65	
Goshen Y. 1.50	
Fountain County.	Madison County.
Covington .....\$ .65	Elwood\$ 3.90
	Lapel 1.95
Franklin County.	Alexandria 2.60
Bath Willard...\$ 7.15	
Brookville ..... .65	
Gibson County.	Marion County.
Princeton\$ 2.60	Meridian .....\$18.20
	Central 3.90
Grant County.	Mapleton ..... .65
Back Creek.....\$ 3.90	Broadripple 2.60
Sweetser 3.90	North East 1.95
Fowlerton 3.90	Vayhinger 1.95
Gas City..... 4.55	Frances Willard. 7.80
Deer Creek 3.90	Lucy Thurman... 1.95
S. Marion 7.15	Palmer 10.40
Griffin 1.95	
Maple Run ..... .65	
Van Buren 5.20	
Oak Chapel 7.15	
Oak Ridge 1.30	
Shugart 3.25	
Little Ridge ... 2.60	
Jonesboro 2.60	
Swayzee 1.30	
Maple Street.... 5.20	
Marion Central... 6.50	
Upland 2.60	
Fairmount 8.45	
Hamilton County.	Marshall County.
Carmel\$ 1.95	Argos .....\$ .65
Eagletown 2.60	Bourbon 3.25
Noblesville 1.30	Brenen 1.95
Sheridan ..... .65	Culver 5.20
Westfield 4.55	
Hancock County.	Martin County.
Western Grove...\$ 3.25	Loogootee\$ 2.60
Hendricks County.	Miami County.
Plainfield\$ 6.50	Peru\$ 9.75
Danville 1.30	Amboy 5.20
Howard County.	Monroe County.
New London ...\$ 3.25	Bloomington ....\$13.65
W. Middletown ... 1.95	
Kokomo 12.35	
S. Kokomo 1.30	
Sycamore 1.30	
Greentown 7.80	
Jerome ..... .65	
Phlox ..... .65	
Huntington County.	Morgan County.
Huntington .....\$11.70	Brooklyn 1.95
Warren 9.10	Martinsville ... 1.95
Markle 4.55	Mooreville 2.60
	Morgantown 1.30
Hunterdon County.	Newton County.
Hunterdon .....\$11.70	Morocco\$ 1.30
Warren 9.10	
Markle 4.55	
Hunterdon County.	Noble County.
Hunterdon .....\$11.70	Kendallville ....\$18.85
Warren 9.10	
Markle 4.55	
Hunterdon County.	Ohio County.
Hunterdon .....\$11.70	Rising Sun\$ 3.25
Warren 9.10	
Markle 4.55	
Hunterdon County.	Owen County.
Hunterdon .....\$11.70	Spencer\$ 1.30
Warren 9.10	Gosport 9.75
Markle 4.55	
Hunterdon County.	Parke County.
Hunterdon .....\$11.70	Marshall\$ 3.25
Warren 9.10	Bloomington 2.60
Markle 4.55	Coloma 1.30
Hunterdon County.	Porter County.
Hunterdon .....\$11.70	Valparaiso\$ 3.90
Warren 9.10	
Markle 4.55	
Hunterdon County.	Posey County.
Hunterdon .....\$11.70	Mt. Vernon .....\$ .65
Warren 9.10	
Markle 4.55	
Hunterdon County.	Pulaski County.
Hunterdon .....\$11.70	Star City .....\$ .65
Warren 9.10	
Markle 4.55	
Hunterdon County.	Putnam County.
Hunterdon .....\$11.70	Greencastle .....\$13.65
Warren 9.10	
Markle 4.55	
Hunterdon County.	Randolph County.
Hunterdon .....\$11.70	Winchester\$ 1.30
Warren 9.10	
Markle 4.55	

Spencer County.	Vigo County.
Rockport\$ 1.30	Terre Haute
	Union\$ 1.30
Steuben County.	Wabash County.
Angola\$ 3.90	S. Wabash\$ 1.95
Ashley 6.50	
Hamilton 4.55	
Fremont 1.95	
Pleasant Lake... 5.85	
St. Joseph County.	Wayne County.
Mount View.....\$.65	Economy\$ 3.25
Chapen Park ... 2.60	Fountain City... 3.90
Frances Willard. 6.50	Mary F. Thomas. 6.50
	Frances Willard. 4.55
Tippecanoe County.	Whitley County.
Central Union...\$ 4.55	Churubusco\$ 3.90
Edgerton 3.25	Columbia City... 1.30
Frances Willard. 6.50	S. Whitley 2.60
Vandersburg County.	Wells County.
Evansville Cen..\$ 1.30	Six Mile.....\$ 1.30
Evansville Frances	Tocsix 3.25
Willard 1.95	Liberty Center... .65
Evansville W. ... 1.30	Poneto 3.25
End 6.50	Blugton 1.30
Howell 1.95	Nottingham 1.95
	Alharen 4.55
Vermillion County.	Ossiau 3.90
Dana\$ 6.50	Reifsborg 1.30
	Prospect 7.15
Balance on hand from last quarter.....\$549.79	
Convention Fund.	
Six Mile .....\$ .50	
Moore Hill ..... .50	
Columbus ..... .50	
Princeton ..... .50	
Sunday Services, Brazil..... 22.30	
Amount due from the Contest..... 49.37	
Appro. returned by Miss Styer..... 4.00	
From Natl. Treasurer Benefit Night..... 7.78	
Free-will offering, Six Mile..... .80	
Spencer Union for contest books..... .60	
Spencer Union for Literature..... 3.20	
One Subscriber for Message..... .25	
For Hadley School.	
Coloma Union\$ 1.00	
Monrovia 1.00	
Mooreville 1.50	
Vincennes Union 15.00	
Deer Creek 15.00	
Mrs. Hann, sale of chickens..... 17.50	
Mr. Samuel Shortridge..... 1.00	
Miss Woodard, sale of badges, minutes, etc. 2.00	
County dues held in trust..... 28.40	
Organization Fund.	
South Marion\$ 1.50	
Deer Creek 5.02	
North Vernon 1.50	
Markle Union 1.50	
Ossian Union 1.50	
Rossville 1.50	
Bloomington 1.50	
Indianapolis Central 1.50	
Bridgeport 1.50	
Brookville 1.50	
Indianapolis Frances Willard..... 1.50	
Dana Union..... 1.50	
Winchester 1.50	
Morgantown 1.50	
Little Ridge 1.50	
Gas City..... 1.50	
Fowlerton 1.50	
Oak Chapel 1.50	
Maple Run..... 1.50	
Marion Central..... 1.50	
Upland 1.50	
Economy Union 1.50	
Mill Grove 1.50	
Miss Woodard Organization Fund..... 92.95	
Sheridan Union..... 1.50	
Michigan City 1.50	
Frankfort Union 1.50	
Mulberry Union 1.50	
Goodland 1.50	
Morocco 1.50	
Ashley 1.50	
Bluffton Frances Willard..... 1.50	
West Middleotwn..... 1.50	
Phlox 1.50	
Brooklyn 1.50	
Columbus 1.50	
Otterbein 1.50	
Alexandria 1.50	
Elwood 1.50	
Keystone 1.50	
Sweetser 1.50	
Monroeville 1.50	
Spencer 1.50	
Linwood 1.50	
Bluffton Union..... 1.50	
State dues..... 651.05	
Total receipts.....\$1,535.01	
Disbursements.	
Clara M. Sears, petty expense, check.....\$ 12.14	
Herald Publishing Co., programs..... 23.25	
Mrs. Dr. Denny, county dues returned.... 12.00	
Mrs. Chandler, Hadley School..... 6.50	
Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Premium Lecture 5.00	
Mrs. Luella McWhirter, Message postage 4.96	
Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Premium Lecture 5.00	
Mr. Samuel Culver, auditing books..... 3.00	
Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, expenses to National Convention 150.00	

Miss Woodard, 4th quarter expenses, postage, etc. 27.75	
Mrs. Stanley, expenses to Brazil..... 6.20	
Mrs. Vayhinger, expenses to Brazil..... 5.30	
Mrs. Gibson, expenses to Brazil..... 4.60	
Mrs. McWhirter, transportation Superintendant expenses 16.23	
Mr. Joseph Ratti, October Message..... 42.41	
Herald Publishing Co., Nov. Message.... 38.34	
Mrs. Outland, Hadley Institute School... 39.17	
Herald Publishing Co., Minutes..... 100.00	
Union Signal for 500 copies of the Convention number 25.00	
Miss Clark, duplicate for lost check..... 3.50	
Sears & Lieb Co., bond for Treasurer... 8.00	
Mrs. Gibson, 1st quarter editing of Phalanx column 13.00	
Clara M. Sears, petty expenses, check.... 16.30	
Herald Publishing Co., galley sheets..... 35.00	
Mrs. Vayhinger, 1st quarter appropriation 50.00	
Miss Woodard, 1st quarter appropriation cash on \$100.00 5.05	
Mrs. Gibson, 1st quarter appropriation... 23.25	
Miss Sears, 1st quarter appropriation... 75.00	
Mrs. Luella McWhirter, 1st quarter appropriation, editing Message 18.75	
Miss Woodard, 1st quarter expenses.... 11.01	
Mrs. Stanley 3.85	
Mrs. Vayhinger 3.79	
Miss Marie Leck..... 3.50	
Herald Publishing Co., December Message 34.85	
Herald Publishing Co., Sup. Reports..... 2.75	
Mrs. McWhirter, 1st quarter expense..... 4.50	
Miss Elizabeth Sherfey, for flags for National delegates 1.75	
Mrs. Gibson, R. R. to Trustees Meet.... 1.80	
Mrs. Stanley, R. R. Trustees Meet..... 3.00	
Mrs. Lizzie Hann, R. R. to Brazil..... 2.38	
To the following State Superintendants one-half of their appropriation:	
Miss Susan Clark..... 2.50	
Mrs. Maude Cathcart..... 2.50	
Mrs. Julia Trish..... 2.50	
Mrs. Rose Pearce..... 20.00	
Mrs. Mattie Gibson..... 3.00	
Mrs. Lida Outland..... 2.50	
Rev. M. A. Thompson..... 1.30	
Mrs. Retta Jones..... 2.50	
Miss Laura Cammack..... 3.50	
Mrs. S. M. Stahl..... 5.00	
Mrs. Elizabeth Smith..... 3.50	
Miss Lavina Bailey..... 2.50	
Mrs. Jennie Stevenson..... 2.00	
Mrs. Mary Moody..... 2.00	
Mrs. M. E. Haughton..... 3.00	
Miss Bertrude Spangler..... 2.50	
Mrs. Anna Campbell..... 3.00	
Mrs. Flora Neff..... 3.00	
Mrs. Sarah Shugart Edgerton..... 2.50	
Dr. Martha Keller..... 3.50	
Mrs. Katie Wert Haller..... 4.50	
Mrs. Nellie S. Davis..... 2.50	
Mrs. William Blodget..... 2.50	
Mrs. Laura Thompson..... 5.00	
Mrs. Gertrude Fulton..... 2.50	
Mrs. R. C. Travis..... 3.50	
Mrs. Julia Overman..... 5.00	
Miscellaneous Cash.	
Mrs. Dallis Stalker, premium for increase of 100 members in county..... 5.00	
Miss Sears, R. R. to Brazil..... 4.95	
Ribbon, rubber and envelopes to use for Convention 2.45	
Entertainment for Program Committee... 3.50	
Mrs. Cathcart, R. R. expenses..... 9.33	
Miss Edith Hillis, R. R. expenses..... 5.00	
Mrs. Moody for floral tribute..... 1.50	
Mr. Vayhinger, telegram..... .35	
Express on Supplies for Convention..... 3.60	
To Mrs. Hall for money advanced for Hadley Ins. School..... 3.00	
Mrs. Gibson, R. R. fare and telephone while working on Minutes 3.80	
Dues returned to Jackson County..... 5.00	
Pound Postage ..... .93	
Pound Postage for Nov. and Dec. issues 4.20	
Miss Sears, R. R. fare to the Trustees Meeting 1.10	
Postal Cards, for State officers..... 5.00	
Printing Cards, four changes..... 2.00	
Frame for Miss Willard's picture, crating and express 3.05	
Expressage on supplies and Minutes for State officers 9.00	
Postage for towns in county..... 1.78	
Postage for State W. C. T. U. work..... 4.80	
Total expenditures for the quarter ending Dec. 30, 1905.....\$1,015.12	
Balance on hand.....\$ 519.89	

CLARA M. SEARS,
Treasurer.

La Porte Union, held a Frances Willard memorial service with an interesting program. The roll call was responded to by loving tributes to our departed sister. Those who participated in the service were Rev. J. M. Harmon, Rev. S. V. Williams and Mesdames. Mary Buamgardner, Rachel Bowers, Oscar Tarkell, J. M. Harmon, S. Kreagle and Seth Pease. All the selections rendered were pertaining to the beautiful life of Miss Willard.

FIELD NEWS

MARION COUNTY.

Through the courtesy of the manager of the Grand Hotel, the County Executive W. C. T. U. met in the parlors of the hotel on February 5th. Attendance was good. The County Superintendents were made a part of the County Executive, which formerly was comprised only of the county officers and local presidents and Marion County Federation of W. C. T. Unions was formed.

After the business of the meeting, Mrs. McWhirter gave a splendid and comprehensive parliamentary drill, participated in by those present.

The next meeting of the Federation of Unions will be held in the Palm Room of the Claypool Hotel, March 5th.

A Free Kindergarten has been opened at the Ella Smith Settlement House at 1188 Kentucky avenue by the Palmer Union. Mrs. Blaker to supply two teachers. This is surely a valuable addition to this settlement house work. Gather the children in from the streets so full of vice and temptation.

At Meridian Union meeting, held in January, Dr. House gave some valuable suggestions. The use of alcohol in all forms is discouraged, as it is not a food but a poison, retarding recovery from illness. A person can live from 30 to 40 days on water, but will die in one-half that time on alcohol. As a substitute for brandy, in case of colds, use capsicum or red pepper, taken in a little water. This is also good in cases of heart failure. Egg-nog, so much indulged in, is better leaving the liquor out and using hot water.

The doctor will condense the thought of the paper for pamphlet use and these will be printed and circulated.

Miss Edith Hillis of Kokomo, the State President of the Loyal Temperance Legion, addressed a meeting of the Broad Ripple Union, in the interest of the L. T. L. work. It is hoped that this meeting will prove of great benefit to women as well as the younger people of this locality. Miss Hillis also spoke to a gathering of young people at the home of Miss Leck, speaking of the National Convention of the W. C. T. U. held in Los Angeles, California last fall.

The North East Union was recently entertained by Mrs. Dr. Howard, 1419 E. Fifteenth street. A very pleasant afternoon was spent with fifteen members present and ten visitors. The hostess very graciously serving a delicious lunch, which was appreciated by all who hope to meet with her again. At a later date this Union met with Mrs. Pruitt. Subject of Anti-Narcotics was discussed; new members were received and seven names added to the cradle roll with dues paid.

Frances E. Willard W. C. T. U. observed their seventh anniversary at the home of their President Mrs. Williams, January 9th. The anniversary song was sung, followed by scripture reading and prayer by Mrs. Scott. Receptions were given by Mrs. Hathway and Ruth Geyer, the Co. President Mrs. Gipe spoke encouragingly of the temperance work. Mrs. Elizabeth Smith read a paper dwelling especially on the beautiful life and character of Mrs. Leck, who in 1899 organized this Union with a little band of seven women. With them she worked and planned, loving them to the last, when the Lord said, "Well done good and faithful servant," calling her home to her rest and reward last July. She will ever live in the hearts of these women who have so long been associated with her, putting forth their best efforts for the temperance cause which was so dear to her.

At East 10th Street M. E. Church, Indianapolis February 5th Mrs. Vayhinger, our State President, spoke to a very appreciative audience. This meeting was held under the auspices of the Vayhinger W. C. T. U., whose membership is mostly in the eastern part of the city and numbers over twenty. Mrs. Cravens, the President, is doing a great deal of personal work, much interest is being aroused. Miss Marie Leck, county Secretary of the Loyal Temperance Legion assisted in organizing a Legion of sixty members at the Indianapolis Orphans' Home. This work is supported by the Central Union. Superintendent Miss Fern Boyer assisted Miss Irene Bowman.

A Legion is soon to be organized by the Mapleton Union, also one at the Harley Gibbs Settlement House. An L. T. L. normal class has been formed by Miss Leck. The first meeting was held at her home, and all who are interested in becoming more familiar with the work are invited to join. For information apply to Miss Marie Leck, 1801 N. Capitol avenue, New phone.

February 6th, was W. C. T. U. Day at the Local Council of Women, the affiliated societies of the W. C. T. U. of Marion County arranged the program which followed the business. Preceding the W. C. T. U. program Mrs. Grace Julian Clark, the president of the council, invited Captain Cheatham of the Arm Post to present an officer's experience under the canteen system.

Captain Cheatham favored the canteen and finished his remarks by saying he would gladly answer questions regarding the subject. By questions and little speeches he soon saw the intense interest of those present and must have been pleased to quit the place. Granting that is is

wise to maintain an army saloon, this question was asked, "would it not be well to include gambling places, bawdy houses and the like in the army post, regulated by law, would not good results follow?" The Captain seemed to think that the question answered itself. Assured the audience that he did not favor vice.

Following these remarks, Mrs. McWhirter introduced Mrs. Vayhinger, as one of the speakers of the afternoon. She prefaced her remarks by referring to the question previously presented. The Chaplains stand together for the anti-canteen law. The saloon should never be re-established, and "our boys" compelled to sell liquor. If the Government demands, and can enforce loyalty and obedience of its soldiers, it has the power to prohibit them from purchasing liquor at saloons established near its army posts. The health throughout the army is better now and though men still desert, it is not because of lack of the canteen, but because of the low wages paid. If those in authority could view this question from the standpoint of the mothers of these boys, this question of the canteen would be forever settled. It is a shame to have these boys coming from Christian homes where they have been surrounded by good influences, brought in contact with this temptation in their very midst. Let us think well of this and use our influence in the right direction.

Mrs. Vayhinger then spoke more particularly of the purpose of the Women's Christian Temperance Union. Any club without a wholesome purpose for being founded has no reason to live. There are many self-culture clubs which are good; we need them in order that we, as women, may become better fitted to do the work set before us.

The first purpose of the W. C. T. U. is to educate. Teach the meaning of temperance and the pledge. It would seem an easy thing for women to sign the pledge but we have only to look out and see the beer wagons going from house to house to know that it is not so easy after all. Young women, by refusing to countenance young men addicted to bad habits can do so much for bettering conditions. "Boys will be boys" is so often the excuse offered for them, but some one's daughter will pay the penalty, will pay the penalty for the wild ways of each and every one of them.

The second purpose is reform. It is not the beautiful picture of a woman clinging to the cross with both hands that is truly symbolic of the W. C. T. U., but one clinging to the cross with one hand, and with the other reaching down to lift up the fallen.

The third purpose is to agitate for better conditions. It is a fact that we never go higher until some one reaches forward to something better. Had we been satisfied with the slow-moving stage coach, we would not today be able to traverse the continent amid the comforts and luxuries of the modern railroad train. The men and women have become dissatisfied with the sins of the liquor traffic, and have determined to use their best efforts against it. The Mormon question needs our closest attention. We of the W. C. T. U. stand for the home while Reed Smoot stands for its destruction. Lincoln said regarding slavery on seeing a negro girl sold from the block, "If I ever get a chance at that thing, I'll hit it hard." This is where the W. C. T. U. stands on the Mormon question.

The fourth purpose is Organization. There is a great deal of temperance sentiment that is impotent. Like the steam generated in the kitchen, having no machinery through which its power may be directed, it is entirely without effect. The W. C. T. U. is the machinery through which this temperance sentiment must work to accomplish the desired ends.

Mrs. Brand, our National Treasurer, was then presented. We can say of Mrs. Brand that she belongs to us, being a member of Indianapolis Central Union, though she is now located at the National Headquarters at Evanston, Ill. In her address she referred to the work of the W. C. T. U. and stated that much of the progress of the organization is due to the efforts of Frances Willard. Public sentiment in favor of the movement is stronger than ever before, and one has only to look in the liquor papers to learn their fear of the W. C. T. U. A few years ago there were but three thousand papers in the United States that would publish temperance news, while at the present time the press throughout the country is eager for it.

Patent medicines were discussed freely and all present were very much interested in the test made with Peruna. As much of this medicine as one is supposed to take in a day was placed in a bottle and this being brought to the boiling point generated sufficient alcoholic gas to produce a brilliant light from an ordinary Welsbach gas burner for fifteen minutes by the watch. A chart was displayed showing the percentage of alcohol in many of the leading patent medicines as reported by the Massachusetts State Board of Health. Of the sixty-one specimens examined, they were found to contain from twenty-one to forty-two per cent of alcohol. Fifty thousand circulars have been sent out to physicians throughout the county by the W. C. T. U. in the furtherance of the work. Many of the leading medical men are beginning to realize that the

use of alcoholic medication is not necessary in their practice. Mrs. Hunt says "Every woman has twenty-three million reasons for taking a stand against the saloon; these reasons are the twenty-three million school children of the country. After some discussion, this portion of the program was concluded.

On Wednesday, February 7th, on in-door picnic was given by Marion County W. C. T. U., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. McWhirter on College avenue. Invitations were sent out by the local presidents to members and friends, and about one hundred and fifty persons responded.

An interesting talk was given by our State President. After prayer, dinner was announced, and all partook of a most generous feast. Mrs. Blodgett was in charge, assisted by Mrs. Heath, Mrs. Baxter, Mrs. Oaks and others, and the young women of the different Unions served most graciously.

The State song was heartily sung, after which Miss White recited a humorous selection that was well received. Mrs. Brand then favored the company with another talk on patent medicines, repeating her demonstration of the preceding day, with the Peruna experiment. After listening to her remarks concerning the National Headquarters and the work done there, all present felt that they were better acquainted with the purposes and methods of the great movement. Miss Dayse Walker was introduced and very beautifully explained the purpose of the "Home" she is establishing on Blake street where colored women can have a rest home. At the closing all joined in singing "God be with You till we Meet Again." Surely all present were impressed with the good feeling existing and the unity of purpose of all the Unions. We should feel proud of Marion County for providing this rare treat, both in speakers and a social time. A vote of thanks was extended to our hostess and to the speakers of the day, and all departed to their respective homes feeling that the in-door picnic had been a splendid success.

Spencer.—A very successful matrons' and musical contest was held in the opera house. The matrons' medal was won by Mrs. MacClaren, president of the W. C. T. U. The musical medal was won by Mrs. Matt Sadler.

Uncle Jonathan Allen, aged eighty years donated the matrons' medal. Mr. E. T. Barner donated carnations to be presented to each unsuccessful contestant.

The Spencer band and the male quartette donated services. Net proceeds for Union treasury \$16.70.

Monroe County.—A promising Union has been organized at Clear Creek with eight members. Mrs. Siebenthal, the president of the Bloomington Union, with a committee of active members, accepted an invitation to meet some ladies at the home of Mr. Henry Dillman. The plan purpose of the W. C. T. U. was explained by Mrs. Siebenthal. This was followed by the organization of Clear Creek Union. The officers are President Mrs. Ida Dillman; vice-president, Mrs. Stella May; recording secretary, Miss Lillie Galaspy; corresponding secretary, Miss Zella Mathers; treasurer, Miss Lola Dillman.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley writes of the advancement of our work and the increased interest and enthusiasm.

At Waynetown on February 1, she spoke to a fine audience in the opera house.

At Bryant on February 3, enthusiasm was at white heat.

At White Oak, a Union of fourteen active members and ten honoraries was organized.

At Balbe, on February 6, Pennville February 7, Walnut Corner and Portland, February 8. At each of these places Mrs. Stanley visited the schools.

Miss Charlotte Barnum, State General Secretary, Michigan L. T. L., is giving a month's field work to Indiana. At Angola she organized a Junior Legion in the public schools with 125 members and four young lady teachers as leaders. At Auburn, a Junior of 36 members. At Kendallville a Senior with 50 members. At Warren a Senior with 24 members. Twenty-four new Legions have been organized this L. T. L. year.

The Marion County Superintendents are organized with Mrs. Elizabeth Smith as president and Mrs. Nettie Cohea as secretary. For aggressive and definite work the superintendents are divided in sections with chairman.

Miss Susan Clark's section held an all day conference on February 15th at Flanner Guild, closing the afternoon with a Mothers' Meeting. In the evening a very profitable meeting was held with addresses by several prominent persons. The section with Mrs. Handy as chairman will hold an all day conference in the Christian church at Broad Ripple on March 28. All who attend will be expected to take a box lunch. Hot coffee will be furnished by the Broad Ripple Union.

IN MEMORIAM.

LaPorte is mourning the loss of dear Sister Hamilton. After attending a W. C. T. U. meeting in the afternoon seemingly well. Soon after returning to her home the summons came without a moments warning. When laid away a wide white ribbon was placed around her casket and the little white bow was on her breast. The floral offerings were beautiful.

Mrs. Zella Hawkins, a faithful and efficient worker, has been called home. She was rich in Heavenly things.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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PRESS ISSUE.



MISS LAURA CAMMACK
Converse, Ind.
State Press Superintendent.

INDIANA.

Dear Press Superintendents.—In my efforts to help you to greater interest in our very important department of work I have asked some State Press Superintendents and other National workers to tell us something of the work, methods, etc., in other States. I sincerely hope that their helpful letters may be an inspiration to us all and that we will push the press work in Indiana as never before.

For the benefit of the new Superintendents, I will give the list of questions which are to be answered when the report blanks are sent out in June and September, and I trust that each local Press Superintendent is doing much work, and then keeping a careful record of it. Are you helping your county Superintendent to win the book which will be given as a prize to the county Superintendent sending me the greatest number of lines which her county has published in the press during the year?

This book, "A Young Woman Journalist," written by Francis Willard and others will be a splendid addition to any library, and should be of especial interest to the young people.

If any of you want press leaflets write to me for them, I will be glad to send to all who want them, and you will find them helpful I know.

Don't forget the press meetings, and be sure and invite the editors to be present and have something to say.

May God bless you each one in this great work.

Yours for advancement,

LAURA G. CAMMACK.

PRESS DEPARTMENT

Local Report Blank.

Name of Local Union..... Name of County.....
Name of Local Supt.....Address..... Name of
County Supt.... Address.....

1. How many items printed?... 2. How many articles printed?... 3. How many notices printed?... 4. How many original stories written and published at your request?... 5. How many columns maintained?... 6. Has the Press Department helped the general work of the Union?... 7. Have you arranged for one or more press meetings during the year?... 8. How many papers take your items?... 9. Do you take the Union Signal?... 10. Do you present our work at every opportunity?... 11. How many members take the Union Signal?... 12. Please save clippings until the end of the year and report the number of lines, etc.

Note. Please add items of interest not included in the above questions.....

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE PRESS DEPARTMENT.

Just as a well advertised company does more business than the one that does not advertise, is better thought of and better known; so does a well advertised W. C. T. U. do better work, receive more favor from the people and more serious considerations from the enemy than the Union "unheralded and unknown."

The press department is the advertising branch of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and because it takes the most skillful, original and energetic man in a firm to be the advertising manager, so should we choose our very brightest minds, most winsome personalities and best trained intellects to be at the head of the Press Department in the different Unions.

Each local Union should have its own "advertising manager" whose business it would be to keep the daily and weekly papers full informed as to what the Union is doing. This work can be done by short items handed in while they are fresh and newsy to appear among other items of news, or in a regular column headed W. C. T. U.

Much depends on the faithfulness, ability and promptness of the press superintendent. If she has two of these qualities and lack the one remaining, she is not the woman you want.

The press is a critical being, it demands and will have only the best, when it comes to our news. It will have it on time or not at all, and after we have put forth every effort to get it ready, then lines straight and stringent are drawn about it on every side and our critic still rejects it if it so pleases him.

However, nothing of this must discourage, we must keep right on pushing forth in our best style, everything pertaining to our work and accept philosophically whatever we receive, and gracefully what we lose.

With hope for this as the best year in Indiana press work.

MINNIE B. HORNING,
National Supt., Evanston, Ill.



MRS. MINNIE HORNING
Evanston, Ill.
National Press Superintendent.



MISS FANNY D. ARMSTRONG
Fort Worth, Texas
State Press Superintendent.

TEXAS .

The best thing the press does for the W. C. T. U. is to advertise and give it a wide-spread reputation for good. The way to do this is to "pass on the good work" and leave others to pass on the bad. We are all at it and all the time at it. Very little of interest escapes the pen of the Press Department in Texas. I believe that the local option law with all the local option sentiment in our State is largely due to the Press Department. This is one of our oldest departments and has been well worked all along these years. Texas newspapers from the beginning have been very liberal to the W. C. T. U. and they are becoming more so each year.

Our State is under low license and each county has a right to hold an election and turn whisky out if they can get a certain number of names signed, and the courts give them permission. So every two years our counties, cities and precincts vote, and most all, after a two years' trial continue local option. We are more than two-thirds dry. Most of our small towns are, and our larger cities are becoming alarmed about the decrease in liquor selling. I think the traffic is doomed in Texas. Not only the press but its nearest of kin, the literature department has been well worked for many years.

Another influence that is dreaded by the anti-temperance element is the presence of women and children, at the polls, on election day. The press has made so much sentiment for local option, that we hope in a very few years to see the last of the traffic.

Our ministers of nearly all denominations are doing good temperance work in nearly all our towns.

One strong power for good is a wise, consecrated, God called president, Mrs. Helen M. Stoddard, who gives her means, her time and herself to the cause. She not only plans but her gentle, strong character is such that all gladly obey her womanly demands. The mimeograph with its hundreds of letters is a great help.

One of our greatest victories was in Austin at the last legislation before this one. Mrs. Stoddard was reading the Willacy bill which had been introduced and she thought it had a strange sound, so she studied it, then went to the capital and asked seven lawyers what they thought about it. It meant the repeal of our local option law.

About twelve o'clock that night 200 letters with petition form were sent out, and the next day every W. C. T. U. woman in the State was at her telephone, and on the streets through sleet and snow, and the petitions went rolling in and the Willacy bill was killed by a good majority. The press was at the bottom of it.

I could write pages about the power and influence of the press in Texas.

Yours in the sacred bonds of Press Work.

FANNY L. ARMSTRONG.



MRS. SUE D. CHASE
Highler, Neb.
State Press Superintendent.

NEBRASKA.

Pursuant to your request I will try and answer your questions in regard to our important department.

"How Do I Use the Press?"

First—We must recognize the mighty power of the press, in fact, it is not only the moulder of public opinion and sentiment, but 'tis the greatest factor, either for good or evil, and can be used to great advantage in behalf of our organization. With this general admitted proposition before us, we can the more readily understand how easily the christian women can by concert of action throughout the entire State make the press a power for the right in behalf of the cause of temperance and Godliness and all that goes to build up our work. Complete organization of all the forces is necessary, by seeing to it that you have a consecrated and efficient local press Superintendent in every county and local Union. The Press Superintendent must be bright and full of the spirit of Christ, and ever on the alert spreading the glad news and letting no opportunity pass, for live up-to-date incidents are what is wanted. Keep in touch with all local papers not only secure space but see that the space is well filled, using all courtesy and kindness toward editors, for this is their due. We can secure more and better co-operation to still strengthen our work by enlisting the clergy throughout the pulpit and religious press to unite the forces for God, home and humanity. Should work to bring these forces together, a union of strength is necessary to success in this blessed work.

To reach the greatest number and extend our influence we must let the world know what we are doing. Organized thought and effort in our department has won an increased interest for the temperance cause in our State. Nothing can be wider than its influence, nor higher than its aspirations, nor deeper than its sincere endeavor to serve the neediest cause of humanity which the world has ever seen.

How our hearts thrill with gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the privilege of working for Him in company with so many noble self-sacrificing women who feel their dependence on Him in carrying out any department of our work, every line of which we believe will reach souls under His guidance and blessing.

You do not know what a blessing you have been to others. When we read in our papers of the great blessing bestowed upon the people through the influence of our consecrated women who are giving their lives to the work, let us, with reserved zeal, press on and never give up, but work in our own little quiet corner and do whatever comes to our hands to be done for the Master in the line of temperance and purity.

A tide of good has been set in motion that shall be unending. God needs you to grasp the spirit of the work and be ready for anything He has in store for you. My message to the Unions is, keep doing such good work along the most modern lines that your editors will eagerly seek your news, thus your Superintendents will be kept alert and proud of their profession.

Yours for the press,

SUE D. CHASE.

Note.—Last year Nebraska press Superintendents reported 2,535 columns of W. C. T. U. news published by the Nebraska newspapers. Excellent! editor.

ILLINOIS.

The daily press is the people's great university, and the mission of the Press Department of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is to seek to make this university a school of highest order, mirroring the best civilization, and teaching the greatest truths in the greatest ways the world has ever seen. Napoleon I. said "I wear these papers more than 100,000 bayonets." He realized the truth of the saying, "The pen is mightier than the sword." Early in the history of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Illinois, the women realized the importance of this great factor in moulding public sentiment, and although this was before the days of Miss Woodard's "Do everything policy," they adopted this department under the caption of "Influencing the press." Some of our best women have acted as superintendents. One of these that served many years in that capacity, Mrs. Gordon Read of Bloomington said, "I conceived it to be my duty to so magnify my office and its importance, that in my eyes, at least, it should transcend all others. Having reached that altitude where all other heights were but depths compared to it, I went to work seeking to arouse interest. I have always thought this was the key-note to endeavor and the secret of the success that followed her efforts, in the time when the work was not easy. We have often heard of a subsidized press, and in the larger cities where newspapers are owned by corporations and the editor an employee, not free to act as he might individually wish to do, because of the great liquor olegary which is entrenched in our great state, it was very hard to secure space. Even in the little country towns where the editors were also proprietors and had no competition, "the trail of the serpent" was seen, and while securing space, in some instances it was headed this way, "This column is edited by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and the editor is not responsible for what appears in it." The Press Department asks that this great school for the people, use some of its space to set forth the truth concerning alcoholic and narcotic poisons, and help to hasten the day when poor fallen humanity will find it easier to do

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MRS. W. H. HOUSEL
Galesburg, Ill.
State Press Superintendent.

right and harder to do wrong. It aims to keep the press of the country, both religious and secular, strongly informed concerning the movements of the temperance army, especially that of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union; also to set forth wisely and steadily the history, aims and methods of our work. It collects statistics, gathers up facts, prepares articles, and endeavors by means of the press to educate the public mind and conscience, against the use of alcoholic and narcotic poisons, believing that the traffic is the foe to every good, and that the dramshop degrades and debauches humanity and has no redeeming feature, we work to build up a public sentiment that will out law the whole business. It is the wish of our organization in Illinois, that the newspapers and periodicals of this great State should be allies of the ideal home, in building up the righteousness that "exalteth a nation," and that purity and patriotism, which make strong its foundations. Our work is much easier now, and I am glad to give my need of praise to those courteous editors who have freely given us space for a column, printed our notices, asked for our reports and patiently borne with our blunder and ignorance in managing the space accorded to us. It is seldom now that our women report space refused, and in the larger cities, reporters are present at our meetings and the reports appear on the front page among the

leading news columns. It is our own fault now, if through our indifference we fail to reap the benefits to be derived from the wise use of space so freely accorded us. We are glad to say that the number of local press workers are increasing, and that many a woman's hands are hiding "leaven" among the masses through the press; and we may well believe that some sweet day the whole lump of humanity will be leavened and its ignorance and prejudice swept away. That "sweet by and by," may not be so far away as some imagine. There never was a time more opportune than now, for pressing this work. Truth will always be the antidote for falsehood and error; ignorance and prejudice must and will be dissolved by the white leaf and sunlight that honest facts will generate.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Mrs. Annabell M. Halvey, State Supt. Press Department, West Pittston, Pa.

The importance of this branch of our work can not be over-estimated. It is the mighty lever with which we are to raise public sentiment to that point which will demand the total prohibition of the liquor traffic. Napoleon never was credited with a wiser saying than "Four hostile newspapers are more to be dreaded than a thousand bayonets," and one of the greatest dangers which threatens the American Republic today is the growing tendency of the press to publish only such articles, or such versions of facts as can be wrapped or moulded to serve partisan ends, and to suppress all facts which would serve to enlighten the public mind upon subjects which is to be the interest of political manipulators to keep in the back-ground. This is especially true of facts bearing strongly upon the temperance question, and is the aim and duty of this department to, in as far as possible, overcome this tendency, and by every means practicable to bring before the public the plain truth respecting the aims and purposes of the W. C. T. U. and kindred reform associations.

First, see that the brightest woman in your Union is appointed to this position. A woman may be a devoted Christian, an eminent scholar, an active worker in all religious channels and may still lack the genius and tact requisite for this position. It is not necessary that she be able to write lengthy and learned dissertations upon any subject, indeed such productions are rarely acceptable to the general public, and quite inappropriate for the usual column or department assigned to our work in the papers of the city. She should be possessed of discrimination which will enable her to make such selections as shall contain thought germs, and give facts and figures in the smallest possible space. She should be well read upon all matters bearing upon our work and to keep pace with the times and be in possession of the latest and most reliable facts.

To local Superintendents: Be sure that every new movement of the W. C. T. U. local State or National is reported in the papers about you. Invite their reporters to be present at your conventions and other public meetings. Local news is always acceptable. See that the Associated Press reporter of your community has the items of latest W. C. T. U. facts. He will want them the day of their occurrence and it will be your object to be the first to get the news to him. If a preacher or any public man says anything pleasant or strong along our lines of work, quote him in your press news; showing that you appreciate him will sometimes disarm a foe.

Don't give up because a paper once refuses space. Cultivate the editor; win by kindly consideration all around. Be sure not to take it for granted that a paper on the other side of the question will not publish our facts. I have known editors who bitterly opposed our principles to defend attacks on the W. C. T. U., first because they have learned to like certain women of the order who had been gracious and good tempered throughout. I have known those who fought us to become allies. The main object of our Press Department is to utilize a power which costs nothing and yet can do more to disarm prejudice than any other, because persons who will not read a temperance paper have facts brought to their notice through mediums of their own selection, and they take it for all its worth as general news. Men have died from the heavy strokes of the editor's pen, and no measure or improvement in this age can be moved without the press behind it. Set your white winged truth afloat on the wings of the 6,000 dailies and 14,000 papers of all kinds in this country and do not forget to see that every religious newspaper in your State publishes your news, because the church is the most powerful engine that exists to wound our cause with good people and vice versa.

Don't shrink from discussion, it educates. Seek the daily and most widely circulator papers for this, because thus you reach an audience that needs to be convinced. The truth and not assertion will do the work.

MISSOURI.

Missouri's press work is but getting upon its feet, and our first endeavor with so many new hands at work is to teach these women to be good press workers. Editors are kindly, but keen critics. The majority of them wish us well. Nevertheless, they look to our advent among them as editors of special temperance departments strictly from a bread and butter standpoint. Any woman who can dish up fifty-two readable bills of fare in a year, that can hold her readers and gain more, that can make the W. C. T. U. column in the paper one of the strongest things in it, and the best liked, is given a hearty welcome. But if the W. C. T. U. press worker gives a dry hash of dull, trite and uninviting temperance items, she is counted a drag, and the editor gets rid of her as soon as possible.

Therefore we aim to stir our women up. (1) To a first class work from a literary standpoint. (2) To use mostly original matter and few clippings; to be alert to all national, state or community phases of the liquor traffic, or prohibition, or questions that affect the home, and (4) To give all the local W. C. T. U. news.

The better way to do this; letters are written to each beginner, and a general oversight by correspondence kept up all over the State. In addition, our State paper, The Counselor, gives me a 200-word space each month, which is used in making special suggestions for the ensuing month. I can reach every press worker in the State in this way, and thus a general plan of work is followed over the State.

Our press workers are asked to write on the subjects of prohibition, equal suffrage and medical temperance, and if any find these hard to write upon, the State Superintendent helps them over the hard places. This year of 1906, I have requested all of our press workers to emphasize Sabbath Observance and School Suffrage for women, as it is known that there will be an attempt made at the next term of our legislature to repeal our Sunday laws, while the W. C. T. U. are pledged to ask off School suffrage.

In other words we aim to do definite work, and to do it in a manner that will count.

LORA S. LA MANCE,
State Press Supt. of the Missouri W. C. T. U.
Pineville, Mo., Feb. 13, 1906.

Dear Miss Cammack:

I am not only a W. C. T. U. press woman, that ought to be glad to respond to another State Press Superintendent's courteous requests, but I was born in Indiana, and ought therefore to feel (and do) a special interest in Indiana affairs.

When I took the work, October, 1904, there were but sixteen W. C. T. U. columns in the State. The year went out with fifty-six columns, a gain of 250 per cent. There has been a substantial increase this year, but you will see that three-fourths of our W. C. T. U. press workers are beginners, which complicates matters somewhat. I am proud of our Missouri women.

Your friend,

LORA S. LA MANCE.

NEW JERSEY.

Miss Laura G. Cammack,

My Dear Comrade:—Pardon delay in response to the favor of January 21st, but my hands have been full in the capacity of State and local Press Superintendent for our thoroughly wide awake Woodstorm Union.

Speaking from a local standpoint therefore in a town of 1600 inhabitants in the center of a rural community that has its rural free delivery, its excellent telephone systems, etc., I believe I can safely say that the W. C. T. U. column, eternally filled with brief, spicy news notes of the doings of our local work, with ever a weaving in of State and National work and workings, keeps not only our hundred and fifteen members keenly alive to the great cause to which they have identified themselves, but arouses and educates, and ever educates the community at large to a higher responsibility of morality and civic righteousness as it realizes the right standard and aims to which workers of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union are tireless builders.

And not alone is the W. C. T. U. column used, but the local news column, the personals and the church note, often find mention of a proposed supper to be given where and by whom our speakers are entertained, or the names of delegates who have been appointed to county and State conventions, and who of our State officers and others will speak in a particular church on a certain date, at a certain hour, etc.

Indeed I am of the belief that there is no limit to the power and influence that is in the hand of the competent Press Superintendent of she is eternally faithful and keeps eternally at it, and is untired with an enthusiasm that is gained through her close touch with the work through our State and National organs. Blessed of God.

Thine in loving service,
MISS EMILY R. KIRBY,
State Press Supt., Woodstorm, N. J.

OHIO.

The temperance reform, like all others, depends for its success upon an aroused and enlightened public sentiment. Public sentiment is credited by individuals who contribute their personal views as to the right or wrong of any habit, custom or law. Abraham Lincoln well said, "With public sentiment, nothing can fail; without it, nothing can succeed." The great work of the W. C. T. U. is to educate sentiment against

the use and sale of all alcoholic liquors. One of the most important ways of accomplishing this is by the free use of the Press.

The liquor interests long ago realized the power of the Press and instituted a Campaign of Education." The Protective Bureau of the National Liquor Dealers' Association shows that in one year there were published and sent broadcast over the country more than four million written articles, designing to make the trade popular. Not content with buying up advertising space in newspapers and magazines to exploit their product, they pay large prices for editorial space in papers which will sell out for such a purpose and print as editorial utterances so-called arguments against prohibition and total abstinence, so attractively worded as to deceive, if possible, the very elect. Recent "editorials" in certain papers favoring the repeal of the anti-canteen law were traced back to this same liquor source. Temperance workers should not patronize such publications, but rather give our aid and support to those which will not accept bribes from the liquor interests and will give our cause a fair showing in their columns.

Our local Unions can utilize their town papers by furnishing material for temperance columns. If prepared in a bright, fresh style, most editors will be glad to receive them, and a rich harvest will come from such seed-sowing. Saloons have often been driven from communities by the public sentiment aroused by a brave and fearless newspaper. We should also aim to get our State and National W. C. T. U. papers in as many homes as possible. When once the people generally learn the real facts about the liquor traffic, they will unite to destroy it.

FRANCES H. ENSIGN,
Cor. Sec., Ohio W. C. T. U.

CONNECTICUT.

My Dear Miss Cammack: To tell of "The necessity for the use of the Press in our work" or of "The benefits to be derived from it," would require more time than I have at command and more space than your press issue can possibly afford. The "Necessity" is absolute and the benefits innumerable!

I presume the conditions are much the same in Indiana as they are in Connecticut and that the most difficult work is to secure good local press workers. I firmly believe that nine-tenths of the failures to reach the public with our messages through the Press is due to our own workers and not to the newspapers. In our last gathering of annual reports one of the local superintendents answered the question, "How has news been received?" by saying "So little has been sent they couldn't be much interested." Usually, however, the manner rather than the matter is faulty. As one newspaper man wrote me, "The editor desires news. Editorials he prefers to write himself."

Connecticut has some of the best local workers in the country and our organization receives cordial aid from the press of the State. Each of the eight counties has a county superintendent who keeps in touch with her local Superintendents. In each Union where a paper is published there is a duly appointed Superintendent. Inquiries last year failed to reveal any papers not printing the W. C. T. U. items.

For several years the State Superintendent has written a circular letter to each county which the County Superintendent forwards with a letter of her own. The local workers in turn describe their plans, these making a "round robin" of it. Many press meetings are held and at all county conventions and institutes the department receives special attention.

Perhaps after all the most effective way is the exchange of personal letters between local, county and State workers, arousing enthusiasm and teaching patience and perseverance.

"I would that I could magnify the office of the local workers as it appears to me" wrote Miss Lodie Reid and with her I agree. Our grand organization is one of the "world powers" in the reform work of the day and it is the privilege of the local worker to tell its story. Her own Union may be, and do a very small part, but she need not be confined to that small portion in her writings for her papers.

To the woman whose copy is cut or rejected let me say a word. Never be discouraged! Even editors themselves have that experience sometimes. Try again, being careful to send news carefully written. The editor must read it and even if his paper has not space for it his interest may be aroused so that he will note W. C. T. U. more often in other papers. To gain as a friend an indifferent editor is a conquest worth working hard to win.

Connecticut press department sends greeting to Indiana through its State Superintendent.

M. P. COOLEY,
209 Hallock Ave.,
New Haven, Conn.

NEW YORK STATE.

What a wide and fertile field is ours! I have been requested to write concerning the necessity of working it, and to tell you how we New Yorkers have tilled it; what sort of crops have resulted.

Any farmer will tell you that a field, in order to bring forth a fruitful crop, must be carefully and thoroughly cultivated. What is true of the natural world is just as true of this one little (?) corner of our great temperance organization, the Press Department. If properly worked it can and will aid every other department of our Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Its possibilities are almost unlimited. Unworked, of course, like any other barren field, it is useless.

Briefly, I will say the Press Department in our State is thoroughly organized, every county but one working under a more or less competent leader, and that one county is doing efficient work for the press, only the right woman has not been found for a leader.

It is our aim to have a Superintendent in each local Union, and to have every newspaper in the State supplied with temperance matter by these press workers. The first goal is only in sight in the distance, while to the latter we are drawing every near. In order to do this, one paper is paid for inserting matter sent by the W. C. T. U. Superintendent, we think it is better to pay something than not to be represented in that paper. This particular case, however, I am glad to say is an exception, nearly all editors now accepting the matter we send them most cordially.

In our great city of New York we have a woman, earnest and capable, who is in close touch with the representatives of the city press and by personal interviews with them, and the use of her pen, the telegraph and telephone, keeps, not only the city press, but many other papers and magazines supplied with the latest news of what our organization aims to do.

All through the State our Press Superintendents are supplying the press with notices and reports of our meetings and original articles concerning the advance movements of the day.

What is the result of all this sowing and tilling? Our organization is acknowledged to be a live one; it is made more popular; local option is carried in towns; women are added to school boards; curfew ordinances are passed; scientific temperance is more thoroughly given, and while the millenium is not yet here, still all a long the line a standard of right living and true citizenship is being lifted higher, and the army of press workers in the Empire State have had no small share in the preparing of the ground and the cultivating of all those forces that make for righteousness.

Yours for increased use of the press by our temperance workers,

MRS. GEORGIA HOWLAND HARRIS,
Press Supt. of New York State.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Your letter reached me last evening. I hardly know what to write, and fear you are asking the wrong one for advice. I am only a novice in State work. Our plans for Press Work in our State varies in the different localities. In some counties the editors are very favorable to our organization and gladly, even at times eagerly, call for our items. The editors here have sent a message up to my house a mile away from the office late at night after an interesting meeting for my copy preferring my own reports to one of their regular reporter's account. In other places my Superintendents have hard work to have their items printed unless they pay for space. I make friends of the editors, reporters, Associated Press agents, also, but I have not the opportunity with the latter, that one has in the large cities.

One rule always works well, approaching the editors in a friendly christian spirit and make known our wants. They are more apt to concede to our plans than if we were mere assertive and claimed it as a right. Second, don't find fault with the editors, it doesn't do any good. They can see mistakes as well as we can, and will be more likely to correct them if we don't scold. We never write anything personal, as that injures our cause more than it helps it. These are some of the rules we discuss in our conference at State Convention.

So far the necessity of the press. It is the only way we can reach the great masses. The public press moulds public sentiment; it is for us to mould public sentiment through the press, for the downfall of the liquor traffic and everything else that is evil.

The public press educates the people; and we must use it to educate the people in temperance. This is our work, to elevate, to purify the press. We can see some of the results of years of work of our Press Superintendents; papers in this State are refusing advertising for liquor sales, or even hurtful drugs.

Some of the benefits derived from the use of the press—Public sentiment in favor of temperance, crowding out liquor advertisements, raising the tone of the paper to a higher moral standard. By and by, with God's help, they will all be on our side, the side of "Christian Temperance and Purity."

So dear sister, let us keep pegging away, doing our work, and helping our co-workers as well as we can, trusting all to God for a good result for this year's work.

Yours for the Press Temperance,
MISS ANNA M. BRADBURY,
State Press Supt. Mass. W. C. T. U.

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The Message for April will be a Press issue. Look out for it and arrange a special Press meeting during April.

Every member of the W. C. T. U. of Indiana, whose dues are paid is entitled to receive The Message in the first week of every month. If for any reason a member fails to receive The Message, complaint should be made immediately to the local treasurer whose duty it is to write the facts to our State Treasurer, Miss Clara Sears, 222 W. Fourteenth street, Anderson, Ind., who will very promptly seek to correct the error. Do not send complaints regarding the failure to receive The Message to any one but Miss Sears, for your letters thus sent must be forwarded to Miss Sears. No one else has access to The Message subscription lists.

Presidents of Unions please make inquiry at your next regular meeting regarding the membership receiving The Message, if any member does not receive her copy, ask the treasurer to communicate immediately with Miss Sears regarding same.

Recently one member write that for six months the members of her Union had not received The Message. Consider if you please such a statement. Of course, the first question in mind is, "who are the officers of that Union?" and then "how many members has that Union." That Union has probably twenty paid members, very intelligent women, too. Why did not the treasurer tell Miss Sears about this condition? If the treasurer fails to do her duty, write one postal card. Why not some member be generous enough to write to Miss Sears so she may correct the condition.

Francis Willard said, "Each year the press becomes a greater power, more people read, and public topics are more generally discussed."

Remember the story of the mushrooms, the softest, weakest growth known, and how thousands of them coming up under a great granite stone in a pavement lifted it out of its place in a single night. One pen may be feeble in itself, but thousands united against the granite stone of intemperance will accomplish its removal.

INDIANA'S SONG.

(Tune: "Annie Laurie.")

Indiana's heard the bugle,
O, army tried and true,
She is marching, she is coming,
To pledge her faith anew,
To pledge her vows anew;
To win or die with you!
You may count on Indiana
Till the stars fade from the blue.

Where your snowy flag is floating,
And white stars dot the way,
You can count on Indiana
In th' thickest of the fray;
In th' thickest of the fray,
Her "W's" lead the way,
Where your emblems white are gleaming,
The "W's" lead the fray.

You may count on Indiana!
Her "Y's" ore in the van!
They are loyal, brave and bonnie;
Go vanquish them, who can!
Go vanquish them, who can!
Her "Y's" are in the van.
O, they're loyal, brave and bonnie!
The "Y's" are in the van.

You can count on Indiana!
Her children are a-field!
Yes, the "L. T. L.'s" are coming;
Their clarion call has pealed;
Their clarion call has pealed;
Not one brigade will yield
Oh, the "L. T. L.'s" are coming;
The children are a-field.

OFFICIAL.

FRANCHISE.

I am hoping that in the next two weeks I will receive the name and address of every Superintendent in the State. Please do write me and tell of all you have been doing during my long silence which was unavoidable. Now I am ready to serve you in any way I can. If your Union can not hold a Franchise meeting, hold one in your neighborhood and invite the neighbors and entertain them with a good program. Try it, we must get the people thinking on this subject if we expect to win our cause soon. Please tell me what leaflets you have found best for general distributions. We want to make a list for use at summer assemblies, also what Franchise paper do you take. I think I need not ask if you take The Union Signal for surely every White Ribboner interested in Franchise reads that. We are soon to have a Franchise number and I hope every Union will order many copies. An offer of \$1.25 per hundred will be made, provided our order and money reaches Evanston on or before the Monday preceeding date of issue of the special number, all to be sent to one address. This is our opportunity, do not miss it. You will want to give away many copies next summer. Our National Superintendent will ask for our State report in September on account of the World's Convention; so our time for work is very short. I am hoping to arrange for a course of Franchise lectures. How many of you could arrange for one? We may find it necessary to do some petition work later, so I beg of you, do all the seed sowing you can at once.

Yours for success,
LAURA M. THOMSON,
State Supt., Greensburg, Ind.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP.

My Dear County Superintendents.—I come to you with a department which has for its text, "Righteousness exalteth a nation." A few days ago I sent you literature which I am sure will be helpful to you. Could you not have something on this department printed in your county papers once a week? Editors are more anxious for copy of this kind than you think they are. Read these leaflets at your local meetings. Have this department brought before your county conventions. Have sermons preached in every pulpit. Have lectures and contests on this subject. Use the Fourth of July, it belongs to us, the enemy has had it long enough. So begin now to plan for a real old fashioned celebration, make christian citizenship the topic of the day. I claim ours is the most important department for, for when the citizenship of our nation is christianized then the saloon, with all its attending evils will go. Why not have great faith and work to that end. Where there is no county Superintendent of this department I have sent literature to county Presidents. I hope interest enough will be taken in this most important department for a Superintendent to be appointed at the spring institutes. Out of 48 organized counties, only 14 have C. C. Superintendents. This is not giving this work a fair show. I will send you local report blanks later. Begin now to keep in mind all work done in the past, and to plan for the future so we may be able to make a full report at the end of the year.

Where the county is not organized I will send literature to local Presidents, finally. My co-workers send local report blanks to the local Unions as soon as you receive them and urge a full report. Send to Miss Gilbert, also to National Superintendent of this department for literature. You will find addresses on leaflets sent you. Sow bountifully and you will reap accordingly. In His name,
GERTRUDE FULTON,
State Supt., Portland, Ind.

PRESS PROGRAM.

A Pressing Invitation to a Press Meeting.
The Press Superintendent has pressed into service many able persons, who will give expression to their views on the following subjects:

Paper—Why should the W. C. T. U. utilize the press?

Address, The People, the Customer, the Press, the Caterer.

W. C. T. U. News (a bulletin).

Recitation—The Editor's Trials.

Short discussions—Personal reminiscences of how important news was received in olden times. To be given by some of the older editors.

Music.

Menu—Pressed chicken; newspaper cake, cmfw

Menu—Pressed Chicken, Newspaper Cake,

Re(a)d Salad, Pressed Cream, Printer's Pie.

If you accept this pressing invitation and are present, the Press Committee Will C. T. U.

MISS LAURA G. CAMMACK,
State Superintendent.

PLATFORM PRESS MEETING.

By Mrs. Housel.

—PROGRAM—

Organ prelude.

Processional—White Ribboners Signing your State Song.

Devotions.

Music—"For Good."

The Power of the Press—A Local Editor, (ten minutes). As a Promotor of Evil. A Christian Business Man, (ten minutes).

Music.

Power of the Press—"The influence of the Religious Press to unify the church for the Prohibition of the Liquor Traffic. (Twenty minutes.) (Use your best talent for this speech.)

Music.

Power of the Press—"The Press: Keep everlasting at it." (Ten minutes, either by Press Superintendent or some other White Ribboner.) Tell of our Press Department.

Music.

Collection.

Benediction.

Note.—The success of a meeting depends upon how much enthusiasm has been put in it. Make much of this with declarations, mottoes and music. Let your women wear a dress made of signals and your State paper. And let everything be so well planned that there will be no running to and fro.

INDIANA.

It has been truthfully said, "You can talk a thing up or you can talk it down," and it is equally true that you can "write a thing up or you can write it down." Comparatively speaking, very few people attend the regular meetings of the W. C. T. U., but nearly every home has the county or daily newspaper. These may be made the medium through which the truths taught in the meetings may be carried into the family.

First, advertise your meeting. Tell what the program is to be, and invite everybody to come. Many a meeting fails for lack of advertising. Second, write a short report of the meeting, telling some of the truths brought out instead of giving names and subjects in minor parts of the program. Make the readers feel that they have missed much in missing that meeting. Ask your editor to print the paper which was read, or at least extracts from it. Do not be afraid to ask, he can do no more than refuse, and in many cases he will be very glad to have it for publication. Put the brightest, smartest and most tactful woman in your Union in as Press Superintendent, and she will win your editor. Be sweet and gracious and express your thanks to the editor for any kindness, and then stand by the editor who stands by you, and if you have any favors to give, remember him.

Not only advertise and report your meetings, but try to get short articles from temperance papers, reprinted in your local papers. Few homes have our leading temperance papers, and so get little temperance information. The press is the university of the people, so it remains for you to inject into its circulation the teachings on total abstinence and legal prohibition of the liquor traffic. Keep the W. C. T. U. and its work constantly before the eye of the reading public, and they will never have cause to ask you "What is the W. C. T. U. doing?"

Yours sincerely,
CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

MISSOURI.

In this day we fully understand that "The pen is mightier than the sword," and the newspaper is the vehicle through which the pen reaches the masses.

It is of the first importance to the temperance reform that the W. C. T. U. wins its way everywhere to the Press.

But how can it be done?

The W. C. T. U. has not money to pay for space to interest and educate the people on this vital theme.

Space is the newspaper merchant's stock in trade, why shall he give it without compensation?

The average newspaper man desires to keep in. As a rule he is quick to respond to all efforts for the real betterment of humanity, and if ap-close touch with all movements whether reform or otherwise, and it is his business to keep the public informed.

proached rightly will generously give all the space he can give. It is a gift (not a right) and should be received with the appreciation a gift merits.

Space obtained, copy should be on hand promptly. It should be legibly written, correctly spelled, and tell something, telling it in such a bright, crisp, breezy way, that people will not go to sleep reading it. There is no lack of material. History is making faster than all earth can chronicle.

Copy should not be given over the telephone, even of notices as most items, because this necessitates writing it at the press office, which is an imposition.

If copy is plainly written and one page of the sheet, is promptly on time, tells what has been done, and is doing, makes mention of the active promoters thereof, 99 of 100 editors will publish without money and without price.

A word to the wise should be sufficient.

CLARA C. HOFFMAN,

Rec. Sec., Nat'l W. C. T. U., Pres. Mo. W. C. T. U., Kansas City, Mo.

BEST USES OF THE PRESS.

If our local Press Superintendents would carefully study the methods used by the advertising agents of Duffy's Pure Malt Whisky, and Lydia Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and would follow their suggestions vigorously, every one who reads newspapers would soon know that alcohol is a poison, and therefore dangerous to use even in small quantities.

Until we have a majority of voters educated to believe that it is not safe to use anything that contains alcohol, either as medicine or as a beverage, and that the liquor traffic is the worst fore of the Nation economically, we shall continue to have a legalized saloon system.

These facts form the basis of all of our work, and there should never be a meeting held without these facts being made the foundation of this discussion on all of our departments.

The Superintendent who best appreciates the use of the Press, will incorporate these scientific and economical truths in her report for the benefit of the masses that never attend a temperance meeting, instead of enlarging upon the "elegant and hospitable home" in which they were entertained, or in an exhaustive use of adjectives in describing the good women who furnished the program, and the refreshments served during the social hour.

MRS. LILLIAN BURT,

Editor Ohio Messenger.

TEXAS.

A Press Superintendent, who is also much interested in Sunday School work has drilled the importance of total abstinence into the minds of her boys to such an extent that they sometimes try to argue with their parents. Not long ago one of her pupils whose mother was a society woman could not give her boy a good reason for playing cards for prizes in the parlor, as he thought it would lead to gambling which he considered a great sin, especially as it was against the Texas laws. His father, a fine business man, and highly respected could not satisfy his son that it was right to be an anti. His questions and arguments learned from his Sunday School teacher were constantly brought up, and at last the mother gave up card playing and the result was the father became a Prohibitionist, that the whole family became Christians.

A strange lady took a newspaper in which there was a half column of W. C. T. U. items. Through this she kept up with the W. C. T. U. work in the State and finally a fine W. C. T. U. was organized

Mrs. Helen M. Stoddard, president of Texas W. C. T. U. does anything and everything that will advance the cause of Christ, especially along the line of Gospel temperance. She is local Press Superintendent of the Maude L. Greene W. C. T. U. of Indiana Gap, and keeps a column in the Hamilton County Herald. This is an anti-paper but it publishes almost every line that Mrs. Stoddard writes. Mrs. Stoddard is also a member of the Texas Woman's Press Association and was elected parliamentarian at the last meeting. The

railroads of Texas give the press woman a trip each year to the convention and then to other points of interest. Mrs. Stoddard takes these trips and sometimes does a great deal of W. C. T. U. work as she returns. She writes to the Unions along the line of travel and they make arrangements for meetings on her return. Many railroad men of Texas are total abstainers, and some are honorary members of the W. C. T. U.

The following beautiful poem was written by Rev. Frances E. Townsley, National W. C. T. U. evangelist in 1905:

THE TREE WE LOVE.

There's a tree growing tall in our mountains,
Spreading far over hillside and plain;
Behold how its branches reach outward
In sunshine or tempest or rain.

The leaves of its branches so mighty,
So grand to their utmost spread—
Are they not for the healing of nations,
The bringing of life to the dead?

Then trim it, and tend it, and bless it—
This tree that is stately and grand—
The Press, with its branches of healing—
The Press of our own dear land:

The weary find rest in its shadow,
The starving find bread in its worth,
And we guard it, and love it, and bless it,
This tree that enriches the earth.

Shall the poison of error corrupt it?
Shall the serpent, its stout trunk entwine?
No! no! we will guard it forever,
As sacred to yours and to mine.

Then trim it, and bless it, and tend it,
This tree that is stately and grand—
The Press, with its branches of healing,
The Press of our own dear land.

Its rootlets sink deeper and deeper,
As the toil fraught years go by,
In a soil that is sacred to freedom,
While its branches point up to God's sky.

The healing of Wrong and Oppression
Of Bribery, Lying and Care,
It is not in its words that are scattered
As the leaves in the summer so fair.

Then trim it, then tend it, and bless it,
This tree that is stately and grand—
The Press with its branches of healing,
The Press of our own dear land.

Furnished by Miss Fanny L. Armstrong, State Press Superintendent of Texas.

BENEFITS OF THE PRESS.

Often when called have come for me from many states at the same time I have wished that there were many Mary H. Hunts, and each an improvement on the original pattern. Then the thought comes that if I can not speak to all I can write and the printed page will be read by hundreds where one could hear the spoken word.

If a great truth has been revealed to any one it is a duty as well as a privilege to make it known. While this is possible only to a limited extent through the tongue, it is possible to an unlimited extent through the pen, and, more than this, the spoken word escapes, the written word abides.

It has been proved in the laboratories of the world that there is a scientific basis for total abstinence. The physiological reasons that form this scientific basis have been put into simple form, adapted to the comprehension of all grades of pupils, and for the last twenty-two years have been given to the millions of pupils in our public schools through the medium of a large number of beautifully illustrated, interesting and accurate school physiologies published by many different firms.

A monthly magazine has been published by this department for fifteen years, showing teachers how to present the subject of physiology, hygiene, and temperance in the most attractive and powerful way. An innumerable number of leaflets has been sent out, each dealing with some special phase of this work, correcting popular fallacies, giving the latest scientific facts and reasons for total abstinence, and giving to the world the wealth of material on scientific temperance that for years has been collated by the Bureau of Scientific Temperance Investigation.

Thus through the medium of the press the value of this department and bureau has been increased a million fold and is destined to go on increasing in even greater ratio, and what is true of this work is true of that of every other department. God speeds the right, but we are the instruments through which He works.

MARY H. HUNT.

HOW FAR DOES IT GO?

How far does the printed word reach? Only an infinite being can comprehend. Once in a

while we get a peep into the ways and means used to impress the printed words into the hearts and lives of our people.

"My song I found from beginning to end,
Safe in the heart of a friend."

A little incident will illustrate how a word was found under pretty circumstances.

It was in 1897, and after my trip in Old Mexico, which I had written up for the Union Signal.

My brother who lives in Santa Clara County, California, was driving to the sea shore, and had stopped for the noon siesta. He had fed the horses, and my sister was spreading the lunch temptingly out on a fallen redwood trunk, when my brother pointed to a small tree to a bird's nest that was swinging gently from the limb. A bit of printed paper was hanging from the nest, and more had been ingeniously woven in the birdling's house. The scrap fascinated him, and looked somehow familiar, so he climbed up, and secured it. That scrap contained part of my written report of my Mexico trip.

He was so impressed, that he wrote me all about it.

You see even the birds are enlisted to aid our Press Superintendents in bringing results from their work. That little birdie certainly had aspirations for her family, and was a Prohibitionist by nature, we know.

The trip was in Mexico, the write-up from Texas, the printing done in Chicago, the bird and my brother in the Santa Cruz mountains, California. And this is only a part of the history of one of that issued of the Union Signal. What of the other twenty thousand copies?

How far does it go?

MRS. HELEN M. STODDARD,

Pres. Texas W. C. T. U.

MRS. M. N. STEVENS, OUR NATIONAL PRESIDENT SENDS THE FOLLOWING:

Washington, D. C., Feb. 7. '06.

My Dear Miss Cammack.—Your letters is received and in reply will say I wish every county and local press superintendent might be impressed with the great importance of their department work. Each local Union accomplishes that which is of interest to the public, and which the newspapers would gladly report if the material was furnished. The local superintendent should see to it that these reports are given out, not when several days old, but while they can be classed as news. She should also endeavor to secure the publication of articles which are in accord with W. C. T. U. ideas and principles, such as the statement recently made by Col. Ray concerning the sale of liquor in the army canteen, copies of which can be had by applying to the National W. C. T. U. headquarters, Evanston, Ill.

There are many fresh, newsy documents of this class which ought to be printed in the papers and which would be, if proper influence were brought to bear.

If temperance people were as persistent in securing publication of temperance articles as the liquor trade is in securing the publication of that which is opposed to total abstinence and prohibition, we could reach many more people through the public press than we do at the present time.

Let all press superintendents endeavor to pour into this great avenue of public thought, the public press, more of that which makes for purity, temperance and righteousness.

With all good wishes for each and every press superintendent, I am,

Affectionately yours,

LILLIAN M. N. STEVENS.

NEW UNION AT DUPONT, IND.

Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, State President of the W. C. T. U. organized a new Union at Dupont, Ind., Jefferson county, November 24, 1905. Since said organization the Union has held nine regular business meetings, one open temperance meeting, one Union Temperance meeting, one Mothers' Meeting, one Silver Medal Contest. The Mothers' Meeting was held at the Baptist church, Wednesday, March 7. On account of the extra bad weather not a very large crowd attended but those who were there certainly enjoyed themselves immensely. The meeting under the management of Mrs. Adelia Woods, who is superintendent of the Mothers' Department was well conducted. Mrs. Woods asked a question, "What is Child's Worst Habit?" which gave rise to an open discussion which was very much enjoyed by all. Several interesting pieces were read by different ladies of the Union and a duet by two young ladies, Miss Percie Lee and Mary Faulkner with Miss Florence Flanders at the organ.

Immediately after the Mothers' Meeting was closed the regular business meeting followed after some topics of interest were discussed, meeting adjourned to meet in one week with Mrs. Will Reynolds.

The Silver Medal Contest was held in the M. E. Church, Wednesday, February 1, 1906. The judges awarded the medal to Miss Percie Lee. The contestants, who all did their parts nobly were each awarded a small token of remembrance and appreciation.

MRS. WILL REYNOLDS,

Press Supt., Dupont, Ind.

FIELD NEWS

MARION COUNTY.

The County Executive Union met March 5th at the Claypool hotel and a committee, as authorized by the State Constitution notified. Committee meeting followed Monday. In the main the State Institute program was adopted with a few added subjects. "The Importance of Pledge Signing," and "A Mother's Influence," program was in the hands of the printer. The Marion County Institute will meet April 12th and 13th at the People's Congregational church, corner Blackford and Michigan streets. Good speakers and special music with contest Thursday evening.

NETTIE H. COHEA,
County Press Superintendent.

Francis Willard Union observed Francis Willard Day at the home of Mrs. W. H. Blodgett of N. Capitol avenue. Mrs. Gipe spoke on the beautiful life of Francis Willard. Mrs. L. E. Scott gave several incidents of her personal acquaintance with Miss Willard. The young people rendered several vocal and instrumental solos and recitations.

A rummage sale was held by the Union, clearing about eight dollars.

Palmer Union. February 33d, was the 14th anniversary of this Union and was celebrated at the home of its president, Mrs. Rhoades. The program in the afternoon consisted of talks, papers and music, and a sketch of the life of Miss Willard.

Mapleton Union was organized in 1895, and celebrated its 12th anniversary, February 28th. Mr. Ed Clark addressed the meeting, Miss White recited, and Miss King gave the history of the Union.

Central Union held a rummage sale, realizing about \$30.00 from the sales.

A "Neal Dow" meeting will be held at the English Lutheran church, March 18th Mr. McWhirter to address the meeting, also special music furnished. This meeting is held under the auspices of the County Union as a memorial to the memory of this great, good man, who was born March 20, 1804, passed away in October, 1897.

The Avon Union secured Mrs. Stahl as a speaker, February 25th, a good audience gave her undivided attention for an hour's time. She brought out fact and incidents proving that we have not arrived at a time to sit down and fold our hands in the great cause we represent, yet we may rejoice at what is being accomplished for good.

Dr. Martha E. Keller, State Superintendent of Medical Temperance of the W. C. T. U. and President of the Lafayette Union, through her personal efforts has secured one day from the Chautauqua Executive Committee which will be called "Temperance Day," and was in Indianapolis yesterday to confer with the State President, who will come to Lafayette and deliver an address on that occasion.

The W. C. T. U. women are to be congratulated upon this step, which will give them a chance to give the public a splendid program.—Lafayette Courier.

Under the Auspices of the W. C. T. U. at the Soldiers' Home at Lafayette an interesting meeting was held on a recent Sunday afternoon. Dr. Martha E. Keller, the newly elected State Superintendent of Medical Temperance delivered an address upon that subject which was greatly enjoyed by the large audience. Ten new members were received at the close of the meeting.

At Island Park, Rome City, Ind., the Assembly opens July 25th and closes August 17th.

The Tri-State W. C. T. U. days are August 14 and 15, followed by a strong Temperance day, August 16th.

At no other assembly in Indiana is there so much deference paid to the W. C. T. U. and Prohibition. Now is the time for our temperance people, living in the northern and eastern part of the State to plan to spend one week, two weeks, or three weeks at Island Park this summer.

Furnished cottages rent at very reasonable rates—from six to twelve dollars per week. Excellent milk and cream, good vegetables can be bought from wagons that pass the cottages every day for what you pay at home. For instance milk is five cents a quart. There is a bakery conveniently located. Besides, there are boarding places where one or more meals a day can be taken by those who care to do so. The furnished cottages usually contain everything needed in the kitchen and dining-room, except table linen and silver ware.

Those who desire cottages should write immediately to Rev. J. F. Snyder, LaGrange, Ind., for information regarding same. Engage as soon as possible a cottage for one week of the time during the assembly if not longer.

The lake at Island Park is quiet and suitable for bathing, boating and fishing. The children and young people have a fine time.

Our State President, Mrs. Vayhinger expects

to be there with her family. The Michigan State President, Mrs. Calkins will be there. Of our Indiana W. C. T. U. who expect to be there for some time are Mrs. McWhirter and family, Miss Woodard, State Cor. Sec. Miss Clara M. Sears, State Treasurer and many others.

Because of the temperance sentiment and the number of W. C. T. U. families that enjoy their outings at Island Park, it certainly is just the place for those who like that sort of society. The assembly program is excellent. Every day and evening something new and interesting for those who enjoy attending. Everybody at Island Park goes for rest and a good time. Society people who love to display fine clothes go elsewhere. This is a Methodist camp meeting place. Some men go out early in the morning in a boat, take their dinners and fish all day. Many people like fishing, others go rowing and bathing. Let us make Island Park a rendezvous for our W. C. T. U. people. Talk with your neighbor about spending a week or more time there.

St. Joseph County work for Scientific Temperance Instruction. It is very hard, even though you attend the teachers' gatherings, to get to talk enough to individuals to introduce the Physiology Journal, especially when there are a number of other agents on hand with journals, they think more adapted to the needs of the teachers. So our first work for this year was an effort to get School Physiology Journals in the hands of the teachers by working each Union in the country to subscribe for the Journal for one or more teachers. To this request the Unions responded nicely as did also our county executive. This however, seemed such a few that we grew courageous and wrote letters to or visited every school board and township trustee in the county asking them to subscribe for the Journal for their teachers. Many did not reply at all but some did and the result is that all together we have 68 subscriptions to the Physiology Journal. Some school trustees who did not subscribe said "our plans are laid for this year but see us before school begins next year."

The schools in South Bend are divided among the Unions, each Union to look after a certain number of schools to see that the Journal which is furnished by the school board is received and the subject taught. One of our local Superintendents, on inquiring of a principal about the work learned from him that all of his schools, fifteen in number would have a lesson in this subject every day for six weeks.

A class of high school boys and girls of North Liberty is preparing for a silver medal contest, to be given in March, one half of the proceeds to go to the school, the other to our department with which to purchase the endorsed text books for as many schools as it will furnish. While we have not done a great deal on anyone line, yet we feel that on the whole we have accomplished a good deal and feel that God is blessing this work in our county. ETHEL E. BAIR,
County Supt.

North Liberty, Ind.

The Elkhart Union.—The indoor picnic given all day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Stewart was a success in every respect. The meeting was called to order promptly at 9:30 o'clock. Mrs. Gillette led the devotional services. Mrs. Rowley gave a report of the Red Letter Day held at West Cottage, Miss Willard's home at Evanston, Ill. Mrs. Weir followed with a very interesting paper. Mrs. Johnson's solo was an inspiration to everybody. Rev. McMahon gave a very forceful talk which was followed by the noontide prayer offered by Mrs. Wm. Barger. Dinner was served and besides those present during the forenoon, twenty-five men were served. During the noon-hour several instrumental selections were given by Robert Stewart and Frank Collins. Mrs. Nast, Mrs. Johnson and Rev. McMahon sang several selections. The devotional services, after the social hour, were conducted by Mrs. Thompson. Mrs. Charles Holler of South Bend, followed with a short talk, after which Rev. Light told of the sympathetic attitude of the church toward the Union. Rev. Frazer also added a few words of encouragement. Miss Jacobson concluded the session with a pleasing instrumental solo. It is thought that during the day 150 people attended the meeting.

The Carmel Union held a Frances Willard meeting. Mrs. Elizabeth Symons read a part of the oration delivered by Hon. Albert J. Beveridge at the unveiling of the Willard Statue in the U. S. Capitol. Interesting selections from the life of Miss Willard were read, followed by remarks by other members of the Union. Visitors were present, some of whom became members of the Union.

Just a few of the attractions offered by the Union Signal for 1906:

The W. C. T. U. Course of Study, covering the history and scope of the organization; a splendid opportunity for knowledge and training, practically without cost.

Our Washington Letter, giving each week while Congress is in session a concise account of the progress of temperance and reform legislation, and directions for work along legislative lines.

Articles that give in usable form the facts and the logic that you need for temperance weapons.

Announcements that keep the local members in touch with "Mother National."

Sixteen pages, weekly, \$1.00 per year. Address The Union Signal, Evanston, Ill.

The Crusader Monthly is the best young people's temperance paper published. Splendid premiums. Price 25 cents a year. Address, The Crusader Monthly, Evanston, Ill.

Sample copies of either paper sent on request.

Lafayette Union recently sent \$5.00 to the Hadley School to be applied on the purchase price of a buggy.

Salem Union held an interesting and profitable Willard meeting at the home of Mrs. Shrum. The program was excellent and participated in by the following persons: Mrs. Alice A. Menaugh, president; Rev. G. W. Telle, Mrs. Mary B. White, Mrs. Mary N. Overman, Rev. A. B. Wilson, Mrs. Lucretia Prow, Rev. T. T. St. John, Miss Mattie White, Rev. S. T. Mathews Jr., and others. At the close refreshments were served and a social hour enjoyed.

Wawne County W. C. T. U. has planned a campaign for the remainder of the year in order to secure additions to the Unions, and if possible organize new Unions.

At Hartsville, a silver medal contest was held in the United Brethren church. The contest included two classes, one of six young women and one of six young men. The medals were awarded to Miss Ozelle Mabley, who recited "Good-night Papa," and Mr. Ralph Dugan whose recitation was "The Drunkard's Dying Soliloquy." Ten cents admission was charged for the benefit of Hadley Home. The proceeds netted about eighteen dollars for the Home. The same class recited February 20th at Columbus at the County Prohibition Convention. Miss Grace Mahaffey won the medal on "The Factory Chimney." Mrs. M. E. Cummins is the Contest Superintendent.

The South Kokomo Union held a very interesting and profitable monthly business at the home of Mrs. Nancy Hillis. All members not present missed a great deal. Each Superintendent gave a five minute talk or read a paper on the work of her department.

The Huntington Union employed David Burwell of Indianapolis (who was engaged by the Prohibitionists for a couple of weeks work), to give his lecture on the "Five Fatal Steps," Monday night, January 22. The large M. E. Church was crowded. Mr. Burwell is a forceful, convincing and inspiring speaker; and has the faculty of holding the men of his audience. The meeting was the grandest one for our cause ever held in Huntington. Mr. Burwell is a fine singer and accompanies himself on a zither. At the close of the meeting eighteen men and ten women became members of the Union. Hurrah! for our cause and for David Burwell.

Mr. Burwell's address is 706 E. Eleventh St., Indianapolis, Ind.

Guilford Union sent an offering for State organization fund. Arrangements are being made for a public temperance day on March 8th, the regular meeting will be held with Mrs. C. D. Robertson.

The Frankfort Union held an open door meeting in the splendid home of their Vice President Mrs. C. A. Barricklow. Invitations were extended to all Unions in the county. Decorations were of white and yellow with flowers and potted plants. An enjoyable time was spent informally.

South Bend Chapin Park Union gave a "Thimble" party at the home of Mrs. Ralf Smith, which was an attractive, pleasant and profitable affair. A large number were present who showed by their happy appreciative faces how glad they were to be there. A fine program was given. Mrs. Will Stover read an excellent paper on the Mormon question. Mrs. Priscilla Beyrer, our dear department of "Mothers' Meetings," gave a talk on "personal responsibility which was listened to with the deepest interest. Among her beautiful utterances she said, "Am I doing all I can for the betterment of my church society, neighborhood and home?" Mrs. Beyrer is an earnest devoted christian, the mother of a large family of children, who are growing up to call her blessed. Ah! if there were more such mothers, the world would soon be better. Miss Norris gave a reading. Solos were rendered by Mrs. Alvin Hodson and Mrs. House. Refreshments were served and a large sum was raised. The entertainment given by South Bend Unions are always instructive and well attended. Six new members were added.

Seymour Union held a Mothers' Meeting with Mrs. J. M. Shields. Papers were read on how mothers may help school teachers by Mrs. Conrad and Exaggeration of Children by Mrs. F. H. Hadley. These brought out interesting discussion. Two picture readings by Mrs. M. C. Carpenter; solos by Mrs. Smith and Mrs. C. S. Mercer. The cordial hospitality and the social hour were greatly enjoyed by the large number present.

During the blessed holy season this Union held a meeting by special invitation with Mrs. L. B. Hill, after a paper on Household Economics by Mrs. S. H. Huffman; an original Christmas story was read by Mrs. W. F. Pfaffenberg. The music and decorations as well as the refreshments and

It is easier to evade the spoken than the written word. The latter may confront you unawares in an idle or lonely hour, but what is printed in an obscure county paper may travel around the world on a mission, least dreamed of by the writer.

A MESSAGE TO THE WOMEN OF INDIANA

From Mary H. Hunt.

The saloon with its record of crime, broken hearts, and ruined lives is the darkest blot on the otherwise fair face of our American civilization. But it is doomed to go:

First, because the use of alcoholic drinks is a relic of an ignorant, barbaric age. That ignorance is dispelled by the investigations of modern science which shows that there is not a single argument for the use of these drinks that has any basis in truth.

Before the second co-ordinate proof that the saloon is doomed to go we stand with reverent awe, for it shows God's purposes of mercy to our land. It is this:

As the testimony of science has poured in its light, proving alcohol to be, not a good creature of God designed for human comfort, but a subtle, destructive poison that is always, in small or large quantities, a dangerous beverage at war with human well-being, the legislatures of this country have enacted laws providing that all the people shall know these facts through the education of all the children in the public schools. The legislatures have done their part. Science has done its part and is adding constantly to its testimony against even the most moderate use of alcoholic drinks. The Bureau of Scientific Temperance Investigation has done its part in collecting and translating these findings of science into simple language adapted for incorporation into school text-books on physiology and hygiene for all grades of public schools. An ample school literature is ready.

It now remains for the temperance people to do their part in insisting upon the full enforcement of these temperance education laws. If they do, the final going of the saloon is not far off.

Only the ballots of the majority of the voters can close the American saloon. But men will not vote to prohibit the sale of beverages they believe in and want to drink. Hence there must first be education as to the evil nature and effects of the drinks the saloon has to sell. How largely can scientific temperance education in the public schools of your State reach the future voters and through them the voters of today? The following facts will help answer this question:

A recent report of the Indiana public schools showed an enrollment of about 556,700 children registered as in actual attendance in the public schools of the State. The law requires that physiology and hygiene with special reference to alcoholic drinks and narcotics shall be studied as a regular branch by the pupils in the public schools of the State.

Assuming that the minimum for each pupil is 30 lessons yearly, each of the 556,700 children in your State is each receiving 30 lessons in the physiological reasons for obeying the laws of health. Of these lessons about one-fifth are warning lessons as to the dangerous nature and effects of alcoholic beverages and other narcotics.

Most of these 556,700 children repeat some part of their lessons at home. Please remember that for all these temperance lessons to the children, and through them to the parents, the State pays the bills, and ask yourselves by what other instrumentality could so much temperance instruction be given to the rising generations and through them be defused among the homes and people of your State.

Need of Information.

It has been said that the people can be trusted to do the right thing if they know all the facts. That they have not yet in all cases learned the facts is shown by the following incident:

A Presbyterian minister who represents the temperance cause in the gatherings of that denomination had been in attendance upon a large ministerial meeting in which that subject had been discussed. As they were leaving for home, a young minister dropped into the seat on the cars with the clergyman who tells the story. With a clouded brow the young man said to the other, "I am in trouble."

Sympathetic inquiry called out the following history: "I graduated from the grammar school and the high school in 18—. I spent two years in the preparatory school, four years in college, and four years in the theological school. These years of study ought to have prepared me for every contingency that would arise in any pastorate. But they did not. None of them ever taught me anything about the temperance question. I have been called to a church in R— where the temperance cause is at a white heat, and I don't know the first thing about the subject. I don't know its literature nor where to get it. I am helpless to do, or to inform myself as what I ought to do."

Further inquiry showed that the temperance education law was passed in the State where this clergyman lived too late to reach him when he was either in the grammar or high school. This story well illustrates the lack of information on this important subject of many persons who are otherwise informed.

Program for A Thrilling Public Meeting.

We have just published a new program for a

Scientific Temperance Instruction public meeting in which the clergy, doctors, lawyers, editors, and teachers of a community may be given a part in recounting the history, progress, results, and world-wide spread of this American educational method for the prevention of intemperance, and the present need in the community where the meeting is held. Good judges say it is the most informing, helpful, and thrillingly interesting program we have ever issued. We are inclined to think they are right.

The price of the program with all the literature needed to present it is \$.80. Included in this material are a number of leaflets and a copy of "An Epoch of the Nineteenth Century," a brochure of 65 pages (marked selections only used in the program) which gives an interesting account of this scientific temperance instruction movement, and which, when sold separately, costs \$.40. Since this book, as well as the leaflets ought to be owned by every Union, this package of literature not only furnishes material for a splendid program, but has also a permanent value.

It would be a good plan to distribute copies of the leaflet, "Where are the Future Majorities?" (No. 92), at the close of the meeting. (We can send 80 copies for \$.20 extra.)

Send for the program and literature, work up a rousing meeting with a big audience, and take up a collection to defray the necessary expenses of the meeting, furnish the School Physiology Journal to teachers and further the scientific temperance instruction work. One of the questions for the annual report will be regarding the number of Unions who have used this program.

I am anxious that every Union in your State should hold one of these meetings as soon as possible. It will have an immense educational effect, and can not fail to re-awaken interest in the law and its thorough enforcement.

The success of this great movement to train the boys and girls in that sobriety which is already making us one of the most achieving of the great nations must now, as always, depend largely upon the way in which you, the faithful consecrated workers in the local Unions persistently agitate and constantly follow up the advantages gained in the past.

Let me in closing pass on to you the personal watchword that has been my guide through all the strenuous years of effort for the temperance education of the children of America:

"What ought to be done can be done by whoever has the courage and the faith to undertake it, for omnipotence is pledged to such an one."

Extracts from an article in "Patriot Phalanx," headed "Justice Defeated by Perjured Jury."

Under Mayor Holtzman's administration in Indianapolis, a committee of good christian temperance men went slumming. The report of this committee regarding the "wide-open" state of affairs with reference to saloon law violations, wine rooms, gambling and houses of prostitution, created quite a sensation. Many arrests then followed by the police, the cases tried in police court resulted in pleas of guilty of conviction on testimony of members of the committee, who did not instigate the prosecutions but were summoned to court to produce their published charges.

Two hundred or more saloon keepers, whose cases were yet untried, became alarmed, organized for defense and raised a big fund to employ attorneys, corrupt juries and otherwise obstruct the administration of justice. The usual dilatory tactics were adopted but after numerous postponements the Dan Smith case came up for hearing.

Dan Smith, saloonkeeper at 117 N. Illinois street was on trial charged with keeping his place of business open after the legal hour for closing. It was a test case.

The first procedure was to secure a jury, which was demanded by the defense, who knew that they could not depend on Judge Whallon, as in the previous cases he had decided in accordance with the law and the evidence. After a long effort, during which the persons brought in to act as jurors were closely questioned by the contending attorneys and several excused, the following twelve business men were selected to decide the case:

Edwin L. Leinnox, of the Carlton & Lennox music firm, 5 E. Market street; Leopold Strauss, of the Eagle Clothing Company, 33 W. Washington street; Garritt A. Archibald, gents' furnishings, 38 E. Washington street; W. M. Short, of the Dollar Hat Store Co., Sentinel building; Carl Shank, transfer and storage business, 339 E. Washington; Henry A. Davis, manager Huber Mfg. Co., 36 Kentucky avenue; P. Burgheim, jeweler, 41 W. Washington street; Horace A. Comstock, jeweler, 49 E. Washington street; Gus Habich, sporting goods, 121 W. Washington street; W. L. Resoner, furniture store, 127 W. Washington street; Robert F. Catterson, real estate, 24 Kentucky avenue; and Michale F. Smith, jeweler, Kentucky avenue and Washington street.

The Prosecuting Attorney Addressing the Jury.

The prosecuting attorney in addressing the jury reminded them that no matter what their private opinions might be as to the laws regulating saloons, or as to the methods in which this evidence was secured, they were serving as jury-

men under solemn oath to render their verdict without prejudice. The case was a plane one. The evidence of law violation was undisputed. As the representative of the State of Indiana, he asked of them a verdict for the conviction of Dan Smith.

The jury retired to deliberate. They stayed out about five minutes, took one ballot, and returned with the unanimous verdict: "We the jury, find Dan Smith not guilty."

And this from a jury made up of supposed respectable business men! We knew that some of them were not very promising from a temperance standpoint, but who would ever suspect that they would willingly and deliberately perjure themselves to favor a defendant who was a saloon keeper? We know that Gus Habich has two brothers in the wholesale liquor business, that Mr. Short formerly sold liquor when in the drug business at Illinois and Maryland streets and that a few of the jurymen were of the "sporty" variety, but we did not for a minute imagine that out of these twelve men there was not one who was unwilling to make himself a perjurer. Is this not a most dangerous state of affairs?

And what will the public think of these business men? We know we are giving them a lot of advertising, but we charge nothing for it. The Phalanx is read every week in 10,000 homes. Just imagine how our readers will rush to patronize these purgers when they have purchases to make in their lines.

For instance, how the church people of Indianapolis will rush to the Carlin & Lennox store for musical instruments, in order that they may patronize a purger. We advise them to have extra clerks. The Phalanx also has among its readers thousands of farmers in central Indiana. After reading this we suppose the farmers will hurry to the city and buy their implements at the Huber Co.'s branch house, managed by purger Davis. How delightful to buy your furniture of Resoner, the purger, who helped to acquit Dan Smith, whose wine room is set afloat quit Dan Smith, whose wine dive is luring girls to ruin. So we might go on through the list of furniture, bicycles, real estate, hats, clothing, jewelry, etc.

Editor: Because of the action of these jurors, some of whom are prominent business men, it was decided by unanimous vote of some of the Indianapolis W. C. T. Unions to "refuse to patronize these business men and to use our influence to prevent any members of our families and friends from patronizing them."

But, mightiest of the mighty means,
On which the arm of progress leans,
Man's noblest mission to advance
His woes assuage, his weal enhance,
His rights enforce, his wrong's redress—
Mightiest of mighty is the press.

—Dr. Bowring.

Press work in the temperance reform is nothing more nor less than temperance evangelization by means of the printed page.

The press is the one great force in touch with the lives of the people; its field is the world, and its success the service of humanity.

No influence is at present so persuasive as that of printer's ink, and who ever fails to rate the press at its true value has but grasped a fractional part of the problem of reform.

Anderson Y. W. C. T. U. recently held a membership contest and four gentlemen joined the Union, the meetings are well attended and programs good.

Dear Treasurers: I want to thank you for helping by sending in the names for the Message list. Those who are late can not have them placed on the mailing list till April, and your members will not receive the Message till May. We believe that quite a gain has been made in membership this quarter over the corresponding one of last year. Many new Unions have been organized since the State convention and they are sending in the dues. Many counties were so delayed in getting their reports out that I can not tell you till May issue how much of a gain we have made. Begin early to plan and collect your third quarter's dues. If any of your members do not receive their Message please notify me at once.

CLARA M. SEARS, Treasurer.

Culver Indiana is rejoicing over their victory. No saloons in their town for two years.

IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. Della Clem: Columbia City is mourning the loss of this dear sister. She was the wife of Rev. A. E. Clem, the Baptist minister, of which she has been a member for many years, and has had a rich Christian experience. We shall cherish her deep interest and excellent work in our W. C. T. U. We shall miss her. She was 31 years old and leaves a husband and two young children.

In the death of Mrs. Permelia Seal, an irretrievable loss has been sustained by the Linwood W. C. T. U. and Sunday school, she has served as President of that Union since its organization in 1903. Permelia Seal had depth of thought and strength of character; she will be missed by the W. C. T. U. and in her home an aged husband will miss the loving sympathy and christian fortitude that characterized her life. Her greatest wish was to live for Him who never makes a mistake, and now she has heard the words well done, "Enter into the joys of thy Lord."

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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SABBATH OBSERVANCE PLEDGE.

Recommended by the National W. C. T. U.

I Agree.

1. To observe the Sabbath as a day of rest and worship.
2. To neither purchase nor patronize Sunday newspapers.
3. To use my influence by word and example, against railroad and steamboat travel and excursions.
5. Not to patronize any store, barber shop, news stand, drug store (except for medicine), bakery or any other place of unnecessary work on the Sabbath, and to use my influence to close them.
5. Not to send or call for mail on the Sabbath.
6. To make the Sabbath work at home as light and simple as possible, that all may enjoy the privileges of the day.
7. To use my influence for legislation that will protect the Sabbath as a day of rest and worship.

REASONS FOR THESE SEVEN POINTS OF THE SABBATH PLEDGE.

1. Because it is a command of God and is essential to the best physical, mental and moral good of men.
2. The Sunday newspaper is confessedly undermining the Sabbath more than any other agency in the land.
3. Incorporated companies do wrong to break the Sabbath, and compel their workmen to do the same. We are guilty with them if we use any Sabbath hours for travel or excursions.
4. By keeping No. 5, we take away the reproach of inconsistency, and help close places of temptation and open desecration.
5. The Government, through its mail service, unnecessarily deprives thousands of men of their Sabbath rest and throws its influence against Sabbath laws. Let us avoid all complicity with so great an evil.
7. The Sabbath command embraces all employees and mothers, who especially need rest.
8. The liquor traffic and all enemies of the Sabbath are combining to overthrow Sabbath laws. Let us be vigilant and faithful by influence and vote to preserve them. Lose the Sabbath laws and we open the floodgates of infidelity and anarchy and ruin.

Gladstone said: The religious observance of the Sunday is a main prop of the religious character of the country. From a moral, social and physical point of view, it is a duty of absolute consequence.

Justice McLean of the Supreme Court of the United States, says: Where there is no Christian Sabbath there is no christian morality, and without this, free institutions can not long be sustained.

Joseph Cook said: The Sabbath is the only pillar of fire that can lead us out of commission, Socialism and the political dangers of universal suffrage.

Sir Walter Scott said: Give the world one-half of Sunday and you will find that religion has no strong hold on the other half.

Canon Farrar writes: The waste and selfish desecration of the Sabbath, and the flinging away of its golden opportunities is, I believe, to thousands of youth, the first decisive step in the downward course of moral degeneracy and spiritual death.

Prof. Austin Phelps says: The decline of religion in the family commonly begins with the relaxation of Sabbath law. The juniors plead for greater freedom and profess more liberal opinions. Miscellaneous reading, absence from public worship, indulgence in secular recreation, license in traveling on the Lord's day, are justified on the ground of changes in the times. Ancient ways are stigmatized as narrow; Christian example is adduced to support anti-Christian innovation.

A NEW ARITHMETIC.

The origin of this, which is going the Kansas newspaper rounds, is unknown. "I am not much of a mathematician," said the cigarette, "but I can add to a man's nervous troubles, I can subtract from his physical energy, I can multiply his aches and pains, I can divide his mental powers, I take interest from his work and discount his chances for success."—Epworth (Kans.) Herald.

DEPARTMENT OF SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

From the Report of Mrs. V. F. Cox, National Supt.

The Sabbath and the family, instituted in the Garden of Eden are the only institutions that survived the fall and are indissolubly united. God who "setteth the solitary in families" said "The Sabbath was made for man." Where the Sabbath is most honored and best protected the marriage vow is held most sacred and the homes are purest and happiest. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union, organized for the protection of the home wisely adopted this department because it understood the Sabbath to be one of the strongest safeguards of the home and because it saw that strong assaults were being made upon this fortress. It seems strange when the scientist and the religionist are agreed as to the value of the Sabbath it should be so lightly regarded. Oliver Wendell Holmes said "He who ordained the Sabbath loved the poor." To the poor who are condemned to incessant toil the Sabbath comes as an oasis in the desert of life. It gives to many a laborer and business man his only time for the enjoyment of his family. Greed of gain and greed of pleasure are conspiring to rob the people of the home day. Every Sunday during the summer months the railroads and steamboats and trolley lines run excursions at cheap rates often to picnic grounds where an unlimited quantity of beer is supplied for refreshment and some sort of show for entertainment. Ralph Waldo Emerson said "Worship is the most important single function of the life of any people." If that be true what must be the effect of turning the day which has been set apart for the exercise of that function unto one of frivolity and dissipation?

The Sabbath is recognized in the Constitution of the United States by its being exempt from the days allowed the President in which to examine the bills submitted to him for his signature. It is recognized by all our courts of justice in that they are not required to sit on that day and business done on it is not legal. Our chief magistrates have observed it from Washington to McKinley. When General Grant was the guest of the President of the French Republic he was true to the customs of his country and won the admiration of all good people by refusing the invitation of the President to visit the races with him on Sunday. On November 15, 1862 President Lincoln issued the famous Army Order in regard to Sabbath observance in which he said "The importance for man and beast of the prescribed day of rest, the sacred rights of Christian soldiers and sailors, a becoming difference to the best sentiment of a Christian people, and a due regard for the Divine will, demand that Sunday labor in the army and navy be reduced to the measure of strict necessity. The discipline and character of the national forces should not suffer nor the cause they defend be imperilled, by the profanation of the name or the day of the Most High." Elaborate social functions have never been taken at our national capitol on Sunday and we have always felt that with the weight of the executive and the judiciary against a secular Sunday, we had a reasonable hope of maintaining the sabbath as given to us by God and preserved for us by our fathers. During the visit of Prince Henry of Germany, the traditions of our country laid aside and the American Sabbath turned into the Continental Sunday for his entertainment.

Later we are alarmed when on two successive Sabbaths mimic naval battles were fought along our coast, and President Roosevelt at Nahant and Chattanooga lent the sanction of the National Government to the desecration of the Lord's day. We joined with the Sabbath organizations in writing to him a courteous letter in which we expressed the hope that in the future he would not allow any committee to arrange for him Sunday functions so foreign to the usages of the Christian church and the spirit of the religion of which he has hitherto been a consistent exponent. We are assured that he is in sympathy with the Christian Sabbath and are glad to know that in the arrangements for his western trip care was taken to avoid any desecration of the day. There is a growing restiveness on the part of the laboring people on account of the increasing demand for Sunday labor. Among the banners displayed by those who marched the streets of Chicago on Labor Day was one bearing this devise, "Help the clerk; don't buy Sundays. Sunday rest is what

we want." The Butchers' Association and other labor organizations by united action succeeded in having the Allen-Dillingham bill to protect the Sabbath in the District of Columbia introduced in Congress and the women of the Union there helped them, but too many bills deemed to be of greater importance demanded attention. It will win some time for the people are sovereign. But before that or any other legislation succeeds, those asking for it must learn each to deny himself for his brother's sake. The clerk who secures his Sunday rest should not increase the Sunday work of the train men and the motor men by crowding the excursion trains.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE DEPARTMENT.

INDIANA W. C. T. U.

Katie Wert Holler, State Supt.

STATE LAWS OF INDIANA.

From Horner's Annotated Statutes, 1897.

Section 2000.—Whosoever being over (14) fourteen years of age, is found on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, rioting, hunting, fishing, quarreling, at common labor, or engaged in his usual vocations (work of charity and necessity only excepted) shall be fined in any sum not more than Ten Dollars, nor less than one; but nothing herein contained, shall be construed to affect, such as conscientiously observe the seventh day of the week as the Sabbath, travelers, families removing, keepers of toll bridges and toll gates, and ferryman acting as such.

In force September 19, 1881.

Section 2000a, Sunday Baseball.—It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to engage in playing baseball where any fee is charged or where any reward or prize, or profit, or article of value is depending upon the result of such game, on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, and every person so offending shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined in any sum not exceeding twenty-five dollars.

In force July 18, 1885.

Mrs. Baleman says:—"A mother who would bring her children up to keep the Sabbath must understand at the outset that it means self-denial on her part. She can not sit down with her book, or shut herself up for her afternoon nap, or run into the neighbors for a chat, and leave the children to their own devices. She must give herself more entirely to them on that day than on week days. If she is systematic, she may manage to get her needed rest while the baby has its nap and the other children are reading or under the care of another; but she must be ready as soon as needed to direct their reading or their games, or to talk with them as may seem best. All this means weariness of the flesh; but you will have your reward, Christian mother, when your children are grown, and you see them enjoying the blessings which God has promised to those who 'remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.' Your children will rise up and call you blessed."

Remember the Sabbath day and to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God; in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservants, nor thy maidservants, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates.

White Ribboners are usually women of discretion and tact, such home keepers will persistently use their influence against much cooking and house work being done in the homes on Sunday. They will not countenance Sunday visiting and receptions, that make it for many a day of social dissipation. Let this one day of the week be given wholly to the companionship of the home circle. Take the young people to the house of God on the Sabbath day. Young women should be careful in the selecting men for husbands who do not respect the Sabbath day and who will not help to establish a home where the Sabbath is kept as a holy day.

Rev. C. H. Trumbull, in the Christian Herald, writes: "To bring a child into habits of loving, and reverent Sabbath observance is a matter of training; and that training ought to begin at a very early age, and continued throughout the years of childhood."

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SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The ministers will preach sermons in the interest of Sabbath observance if asked to do so. What would be helpful in many places would be a Sunday evening Sabbath observance mass meeting. The need of the Christian Sabbath presented ably by speakers. Then some speaker be especially asked to consider the Sabbath from a physical and commercial standpoint. Showing the need of rest for all artisans, writers and laborers, also the greater expense of keeping up machinery that is not allowed to cool. There are many phases to this Sabbath question and all phases should be ably presented and an appeal made to the citizens to help us keep our Christian and civil Sabbath which is fast slipping away from Americans as a result of our own short-sightedness.

SAN FRANCISCO.

The city where the glitter of gold attracted thousands, yes tens of thousands of money seekers in the fifties, the majority of whom left their homes in the East never to return and live in utter disregard of their Christian training leading ungodly lives.

The city established thus and added to by later comers and the Chinese was perhaps the wickedest city in America.

Men and women who had lived consistent lives in the eyes of their Eastern neighbors went there and became indifferent to Christianity, laid aside all former Christian training.

The struggle that the churches have had there is greater than in any other city in this country, the Christian work falls upon a few. Some of the finest Christ-like characters were in San Francisco and lived heroic lives. Apparently there was no civil Sabbath in San Francisco, business of many kinds being transacted just the same every day in the week.

The traffic in Chinese girls was carried on. There was misery untold and crimes indescribable committed within the Chinese quarters. The awful calamity of earthquake and fire has deprived thousands of their lives and made tens of

thousands homeless. The Chinese dens under the earth have been opened, inmates freed, few with knowledge of English language but free. This awful calamity has aroused many a conscience, let us pray that men who rebuild San Francisco may listen to the distaste of conscious and establish a Christian city. The distressed people have had their immediate needs supplied, soon our Christian people must help them to rebuild their churches and to support the Gospel.

It is a dangerous thing for people who have the light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to live in utter disregard of God and His laws.

THE PRESS ISSUE.

Many have been the words of commendation received concerning the Press Issue of The Message.

Few persons who have not done journalistic work realize how much time and effort was required to get out that issue. The press material was all secured and furnished by our State Press Superintendent Miss Laura Cammark of Converse. Her work for the issue was done while watching at the bedside of her aged mother who has lain dangerously ill for many weeks.

The efficient Presidents of Unions will urge the membership to carefully consider the helpful suggestions made and the plans given in the Press issue—Indiana must use the press for temperance. The W. C. T. U. work can be greatly benefitted in every locality by a good Press Superintendent, as will be well understood, by all thoughtful persons who read the Press Issue. Certain characteristics are absolutely necessary to make a successful newspaper reporter. The value of a good W. C. T. U. Press Superintendent can not be over estimated.

For The Message, please send news items concerning the work done by the Unions. Personals regarding special noteworthy work of individual members of the Union will be gladly received. On account of the size of The Message it is difficult to find space for long reports of conventions and meetings.

For this issue a Press Superintendent sent a newspaper clipping giving report of a County Institute, saying that she hoped the editor would use it as sent. When the length of it was considered and the space calculated it was impossible for the editor to comply with the Superintendent's request, but she took such items from the newspaper clipping as she thought of greatest interest to the readers. The newspaper clipping contained 940 words.

The best report possible of every meeting and convention should be made to The Message which is read by our great constituency of many thousands. To fully get the spirit of a meeting the reporter should be present, then in writing the report to consider the items of general State interest and the amount of space to be used. Some of the Press Superintendents send beautiful, concisely written news items on postal cards that are a great credit to their ability and to their Unions. Much real news can be given in fifty or seventy-five words. Excellent local reports are usually too local and too long for The Message.

FOR THE SUMMER.

Now is the time to make definite arrangements for the observance of our special days in June, July and August.

In every community public sentiment is aroused by agitation. Secure good speakers and arrange excellent programs and enlist the young people then you will have success.

Get the high school boys and girls to take entire charge of certain arrangements. These young people with trained minds and executive force can do much, and will do it well, if responsibility is theirs without dictation from the older people.

Let every Union make the most of Flower Mission Day.

Enlist the Christian young men to assist in services at jails, almshouses, hospitals, etc. Secure the help of the young boys and girls in carrying flowers with text cards attached to the sick, afflicted and aged. We can always get the sweet little girls and young women to help, they do so beautifully too, but sisters, our boys will do much if asked and it will be helpful to them and will impress forcibly upon their minds the blessedness of the W. C. T. U. We need their interest now, and as they go out into the world our cause needs them. Now is the time to work tactfully and prayerfully to win boys and young men for the W. C. T. U. Let all plans be broad minded and consider well the need of the allied forces of young people in order for our cause to win the victory.

FOR THOSE WHO WANT INFORMATION.

"Safe Remedies in Illness," compiled by Mrs. M. M. Allen, price 2 cents each, address 27 Broad street, Oneida, N. Y.

"Temperance and Missions," by Louise C. Purington, M. D., price per package of 10, ten cents.

Published by Miss Ruby I. Gilbert, 137 Wabash avenue, Chicago, Ill.

"Life Sketches," of prominent world's and national W. C. T. women, including Miss Jennie Casseday, price 5 cents.

"What is the W. C. T. U.," by Mrs. Silena Moore Halman, price 1 cent each, address Mrs. Lizzie D. Collins, Winchester, Tenn.

"The Liquor Traffic a Hindrance to Foreign Missions," by Mrs. Wilbur F. Crafts, address Miss Ruby I. Gilbert, 137 Wabash avenue, Chicago, Ill., price 2 cents.

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FLOWER MISSION DAY, JUNE 9.

NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE DAY, JULY 4.

PICNIC DAY, BIRTHDAY, MISS ANNA GORDON, JULY 21.

LITERATURE AND FRANCHISE DAY, AUGUST 6.

THE LORD'S DAY WEEK OF PRAYER.

The various Sabbath organizations of the United States and Canada have set apart the week following Easter week, April 22d to 29th inclusive as the "Lord's Day Week of Prayer" in behalf of the Christian Sabbath.

We praise God, as ever, for the day of rest from toil, and also, for a year that has brought some victories in the arduous warfare for the imperilled Sabbath. We note three among many. (1) God has moved some of our governors, mayors, and district attorneys to make Sunday law supreme, especially over the Saloon. Never before since the Civil War have so many saloons been closed on Sundays and never since then have so many political papers and business men approved of such closing. (2) He has led some railway managers to refuse to run Sunday excursion trains. (3) He has brought together the various societies that seek to exalt the Lord's Day in hearty co-operation.

Pray God to arouse His people to press on vigorously for greater victories and to awaken employers and employees to realize the folly and curse of Sunday toil, and the moral blight of Sunday sport.

Study God's Sabbath law, and how to make the day more richly bless personal life and the life of the church and community, and let all appeal to Congress to forbid Sunday work in the Postoffices and in the National Capitol.

Let us federate reform forces in each town so as to educate all the people as to the value of the Sabbath, by putting Sabbath literature into every house and by encouraging and assisting executive officers to enforce obedience to Sunday laws.

KATIE WERT HOLLER,
State Superintendent Sabbath Observance,
South Bend, Ind.

JAIL AND PRISON WORK.

I kindly ask all of the County Presidents to see that this department of our work is taken up in their counties. That county and local Superintendents be appointed at once. I also recommend that they send to our National Superintendent for her plan of our work, Mrs. Jane M. Kinney, North St. Postoffice, Saint Clair County, Mich.

I will be glad to furnish literature and blanks to all who will write me. Let us strive to give our very best to this important line of our work. Remembering that the most humble service is always blessed when done in the name of our Master.

With a prayer and best wishes,
SALLIE SHUGART EDGERTON,
State Superintendent, 129 Russell St., West Lafayette, Ind.

Observe the Lord's Day Week of Prayer, April 22d to 29th inclusive.

"Remember the Lord's Day to keep it holy."

Furnish your editor with short, up-to-date items on the Sunday question.

Circulate the State Sabbath laws.

Try to secure, by united action, the voluntary Sunday closing of places of business.

Have Sabbath pledge signing in the Sunday Schools and L. T. L.'s.

Insist upon a more strict observance of the Sunday laws.

Work for a better observance of the Sabbath day.

Request pastors to preach special sermons on the Sabbath question.

The Sunday saloon is one of the worst enemies of the Christian Sabbath and is a positive injury to the morals of any community.

Educate public sentiment in favor of law enforcement relative to Sunday ball games, etc.

Remember the Sabbath Day to Keep it Holy.

FIELD NEWS

MARION COUNTY.

Marion County Executive Union, March 18th, held a Neal Dow memorial service at the English Lutheran Church, D. Leigh Colvin of Chicago, president of the Intercollegiate Prohibition Association, gave the address. Mrs. May Wright Sewall, as a personal friend of Susan B. Anthony, spoke of her life and work for the cause of suffrage. Mrs. Gipe made an appeal for membership, and about 100 Signals were distributed.

Miss Marie Leck, County L. T. L. Secretary has organized five Legions, and it is hoped to come up at the State Convention with each Union in the county with a Legion.

Vayhinger Union.—Mrs. Walker, a returned missionary from China addressed a meeting of this Union, giving an account of the evils of the army canteen. March 25th, members of this Union went in a body to the Englewood Christian Church where the pastor, Rev. Maurice F. Murphy gave a "real temperance sermon," dwelling especially on the life of Neal Dow.

North East Union, March 30th, held a very successful meeting securing several names to Cradle Roll and Miss White presented the contest work. A new superintendent of literature was appointed and many new subscriptions to the temperance papers. It is the plan of this Union to have their Signal subscriptions equal one-fourth the membership.

The Second Section of Superintendents with Mrs. Handy of Mapleton Union, as President held a very successful all day meeting at Broadripple, April 6th. The Flower Mission, Scientific Temperance, Department of Literature, Mother's Meetings and Cradle Roll, were the departments present and discussed during the day. Dr. Houser from the city gave a comprehensive address in the evening on "The Destruction of the Temple of the Soul." A baby oratorical contest with seven little ones under 6 years of age, contested for a medal. This was won by Robert Ferguson. The Adscript Quartette sang several selections.

Broadripple Union surely knows the meaning of true hospitality as their good president served supper to all who remained for the evening meeting.

The County W. C. T. U. Institute, was in session two days, April 12th and 13th, at the People's Congregational Church. The Institute was organized with Mrs. Martha Gipe as leader, Miss Mamie White as secretary. Virgil H. Lockwood gave the leading address on Thursday on "The Evil Influences Surrounding Our Children and How to Combat Them." Friday Mrs. Elizabeth Smith read a paper on "How to Make the Press Serve the Temperance Cause." Mrs. Lizzie Heath spoke of the desire of the county to double its membership before the State convention, and suggested to idea of a contest for membership, choosing sides as in the old fashioned spelling match. Miss Marie Leck read a most excellent paper on the "Legion Present and Future," this paper is to be entered with others in the prize contest for the best paper on this all important subject. In the afternoon Mrs. H. Foster Stone gave a paper on "The patriotism of Woman" and Dr. Rebecca George spoke on "The Mother's influence in the Home." These papers and talks were all discussed and so much good derived from them. After reports of committees the institute adjourned.

Thursday Evening April 12th, a gold medal contest was held in connection with the Institute. The entire program was provided for by the County Superintendent of Contests, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all present. A young man from Bridgeport secured the medal.

MRS. NETTIE H. COHEA,
County Press Supt.

Indianapolis Palmer Union—Business meeting March 9th. Treasurer reported for quarter, five active and eight honoray members. February 23, held an all day anniversary meeting at the home of President Mrs. H. Rhoads, dinner served to about sixty. In the afternoon papers were read by Mrs. White, Mrs. E. R. Hisey and Mrs. Gipe to a large audience of women and men.

Report of Ella Smith, Settlement House, showed for quarter:

Sunday School 60 to 70 scholars in attendance. Free kindergarten not large enough for scholars.

Mr. Thompson and Case of Central Business College were holding night school two nights in the week teaching mathematics and penmanship, stenography and bookkeeping.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday night.

With Boys' Physical Culture Club, just organized, meeting two nights in the week and preaching on Sunday night, keeps Settlement Rooms in service all the time. This was once a saloon and one of the worst kind.

Ah! it is the woman who have given the costliest hostages to fortune. Out in the battle of life they have sent their best beloved, with fear-

ful odds against them. Oh, by the dangers they have dared; by the hours of patient watching over beds where helpless children lay; by the increase of ten thousand prayers wafted from their gentle lips to heaven, I charge you give them power to protect along life's treacherous highway those whom they have so loved.—Francis E. Willard.

The Supreme test of the knight in the days of chivalry was his self-denial and desire to succor the oppressed. The severest test of the modern gentlemen is his willingness to forego his pipe or cigar for the comfort and health of another. Whatever the benefit or harm the use of tobacco may do the customer's body, its common tendency is to render the mind indifferent to the well-being of his neighbor. J. J.

Mrs. M. L. Hobbs, the County President of Dubois W. C. T. U., returned from Venice, Cal., where she has been spending the winter, her address will be Velpen, Ind., as it formally was.

The Smithville W. C. T. U. met at the Christian Church last Saturday, the meeting was presided over by Mrs. Sibenthal of Bloomington. The time was well filled with work. The declaration of principles were unanimously adopted and the following officers were appointed: Superintendent of Medal Contest—Mrs. Ella Updegraff; Sunday School Work—Mrs. Maggie Trisler; Literature—Mrs. Cora Fox; Press—Mrs. Cora Drake; Mother's Meetings—Mrs. Dr. Leonaaid; Flower Mission—Mrs. Dr. Luzadder.

Bath, Franklin County—Francis Willard Union held a very interesting service in the M. E. Church, February 18th in memory of our beloved leader, Francis Willard. Appropriate selections and recitations were given, interspersed with songs, duett and solos. Lead Kindly Light was very beautifully rendered as a trio by three young ladies. A collection was taken amounting to between seven and eight dollars, two of which was sent to the National Memorial Fund. March 27th was observed in honor of Neal Dow, a parlor meeting at the home of Margaret M. Smith, County President. After devotional services, the first half hour was given to the study of the life of Neal Dow. The remainder of the time was given to our parliamentarian, Mrs. Barkly, and she conducted a most pleasing and instructive drill in parliamentary usage and on motion it was decided to spend fifteen minutes at each monthly meeting in this study of Parliamentary Law. Our new local president, Mrs. Brady is doing fine work. We are working and hoping for great things the coming year. Brookville Union for several years only had four members but they were faithful and true and the last year their hearts have been made to rejoice because of their success. They now number somewhere in the twenties and meet twice a month and are now planning for their spring Institute, hoping and praying it may be the best Institute ever held in Franklin County.

The Ripley County Institute held at Batesville was the means of awakening a deeper interest in the Temperance cause. Four new members were added to the local Union and an L. T. L. was organized with twenty-seven members enrolled. The meetings were all well attended.

South Wabash W. C. T. U. and friends have had a treat indeed. Mrs. Trego, national evangelist, came to us the 28th remaining over Sabbath. She spoke to good audiences Wednesday and Thursday nights, and Friday night gave a very excellent stereopticon entertainment, contrasting between a life of sin and ruin and one full of good deeds. Sabbath evening she preached in the Friends' Church. The sermon was helpful, the subject being "The Pure Life" that we might be "Hid With Christ in God." Five young men signed the pledge. Four members were added to our Union, and the end is not yet. The pastor of the Friends' Church remarked, "I am so glad you had her come, wish we could keep her a week."

The Jennings County Institute held in North Vernon was a success. Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall, leader. Many questions of great importance to all were discussed and much good gained. Many of the leading citizens taking part on the program. This Union has nearly doubled its membership in the last six months. Prohibition and Temperance sentiment seems to be on an increase in this county.

Sunday School Workers.—I will give a banner to the Union or county which will have the best display of Sunday School Temperance Pledge Cards at the State convention. The cards having been signed this year. This banner to be kept until some one does better. The banner to be brought to the State convention each year.

LIDA OUTLAND,

State Superintendent S. S. Work, Upland, Ind.

The Howard County semi-annual convention and institute was held in the Friends' Church at Kokomo, on April 12th and 13th, with Mrs. Rose Pearce of Cayuga as Institute Leader. Thursday forenoon was taken up with the convention work. Mrs. Ida M. Mix, County President, presiding, the reports of officers and Superintendents showed that good work had been done in the 21 departments taken up. In the afternoon after the

devotion, welcome, response and organization of Institute, Mrs. Rose Hillis, Superintendent of Literature told why we needed our different papers, and secured for the Union Signal, eight, for Crusader Monthly, two, and the American Motherhood, nine subscriptions. The regular program as made out by the State was carried out for the remainder of the Institute. Mrs. Pearce gave an interesting address on Thursday evening along the lines of our work to a good audience. On Friday afternoon three of our local ministers, two business men and the President of our Police Board took part on the program, with splendid suggestions and helpful remarks. We had with us our former County President, Mrs. Lida Outland, now State Superintendent of Sunday School work, who gave us a talk on her departments. Our State L. T. L. President, Miss Edith Hillis was with us a short time. Eight Unions were represented with delegation, all in all our meeting was a success and we are trying to double our membership before September 15th.

Blackford County Institute was held at Montpelier in the M. E. Church and was well attended, all Unions being represented. Mrs. S. M. Stahl County President in the chair. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley State Vice President, leader. Brief reports from the local Unions showed increased activity and interest. Discussion of plans proposed followed. The Evangelistic work of the W. C. T. U., "Why and How," by Mrs. Stanley was of great interest. "How to Increase the Attendance at our Meetings," by Mrs. Palmer of Roll and gave good practical suggestions. A good paper on "How to Make the Press Serve the Temperance Cause" was read by Mrs. O. P. Sample of Hartford City. "How to Double Our Membership in One Year," by the County President was most businesslike and practical. Each members to secure one new member. The discussions following the presentation of the subjects was instructive and helpful. The Loyal Temperance Legion work was ably presented by Mrs. L. J. Hudson, followed by Mrs. Baker of Keystone and others. "The Evil Effects of Pool Rooms and How we can Use our Influences Against them" was presented in a most excellent paper by Mrs. S. W. Worley of Montpelier, followed by the Baptist minister, Rev. Fry and the evangelist, Rev. Rhoades of Kokomo. Mrs. Mary Dunlap read a very interesting paper on Sabbath observance. "The Trend of Current Events and their Portent," by local pastors was discussed by Rev. Brown, Rev. Moffit and others. "How Best to Make our Work Felt in our Town and Community," by visiting members brought out many good suggestions, especially with reference to our Red Letter days. "The patriotism of Women; is it worthy of Expression at the Ballot Box?" by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley was ably presented. Convincing arguments from start to finish in Mrs. Stanley's own forceful, pleasing manner. During the institute Mrs. Morley's infant babe was presented for membership in the Cradle Roll. Mrs. Stanley touchingly prayed for babe and mother and Mrs. Stahl, State Superintendent of the Cradle Roll placed the white ribbon over the heart of the dear little babe. On the first evening Mrs. Stanley lectured on Christian citizenship to an appreciative audience of whom many were awakened to their duty. On the second evening a Grand Gold Medal Contest was conducted by Mrs. Palmer of Roll. The medal was awarded to Mrs. Ida Stallsmith. Several prominent White Ribboners from other counties were present, among them was Walmer of Bluffton. The hospitality of the Montpelier people was most generous, everything possible was done for the comfort and pleasure of the attending delegates. Twenty-five new members were received during the institute.

To My Sisters in Reform Work.—I am pleased with the awakened interest manifested in the department of Mother's Meetings, and Purity, and the appeals for help. If all to whom I have sent blanks and literature will keep a record of work and not loose their blanks but report promptly our report will be better than any previous year. Shall it not be so. I am powerless to make any report except as you report to me. Dear Sisters remember to have a blank book, but don't keep it blank. Keep a record of all your work, and when you make your report refer to your book. What a broad field for work we have, for believing as we do, that the character of the child depends to a large extent upon the character of the parents previous to its birth, and that the mental condition of the mother is transmitted to her child, let us meet the conditions and by grace and faith hold up the light.

MRS. S. M. STAHL.

What One Union did for Hadley Industrial School. Organized two contest classes composed, one of young ladies, the other of young gentlemen. They went to Columbus to the County Prohibition convention, by invitation, and other places and gave their recitations. The people were edified and Hadley Industrial School fund was increased by twenty dollars. Mrs. Minerva E. Cummins is the Contest Superintendent, Hartsville Union.

Benton County W. C. T. U. Institute was held in the Christian Church at Oxford March 8 and 9, beginning in the forenoon of the 8th. Otterbein and Boswell Union were well represented, but so many officers being absent the regular program was not taken up, Miss Sears talking and answering questions. In the afternoon Mr. Jas. Bell made a fine speech on "How Can We Best Increase the Temperance Sentiment in Our Town?" Mr. Bell is an enthusiastic worker in the Good Citizen League and gave a glowing tribute to the W. C. T. U. as having kept the temperance sentiment alive. Mr. Charles Craw one of our editors followed with an encouraging talk on what has been accomplished in the county—three saloons where a few years ago we had thirty! He made many other good points.

Mrs. Ella Maddox of Otterbein read an interesting paper on Non-Alcoholic Medication. She gave the percent of alcohol in various patent medicines.

Rev. Builta talked on "The Trend of Public Events and Their Portent." A lively discussion followed.

Miss Sears talked on the educational work of the W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Nettie Maddox conducted a Parliamentary drill. One of the ministers said he was surprised and gratified at our knowledge of Parliamentary law.

In the evening Miss Sears gave an excellent address on "What we Have Accomplished."

The opening exercises were made interesting by the hearty co-operation of our teachers and their pupils.

Many thanks are due Prof. Jack for his help in the singing.

The pastors of the different churches helped us very much, and in spite of the fact of the funeral of an old resident and dear friend of many in the Union, Friday's meeting was well attended. We served dinner at the church for about sixty people and many of the older ladies were able to attend by this arrangement.

The Oxford ladies were dismissed for the hour of the funeral, but returned to take up the closing exercises of the day.

A silver medal contest was held in the evening with four contestants, two others taking part, Miss Edith Wetzel of Oxford receiving the medal.

Good interest was displayed all the way through the meeting, and other interesting papers and reports were given. One on the Sunday School work by Mrs. Amanda Smith was inspiring and helpful. Reports from the Presidents of these Unions were interesting.

LaPorte Union held a very interesting meeting, April 13th. The plans for the year are to meet every two weeks, each alternate meeting to be a literary or department work. All are much interested in these plans and nearly all take part in the exercises. One new and very efficient member was added to the Union. A program for a social Purity and Mother's Meeting is being arranged to be given soon.

Huntington County W. C. T. U. organizations are doing some active and efficient work. Huntington Union, since the State convention, has held three medal contests with good results. At a special public afternoon occasion, the mothers' and the "Y" meetings were interestingly discussed by Mrs. Josephine Walmer of Bluffton, State Secretary of "Y" work. A pleasant social hour followed to the delight of the goodly number present. Six new members were received. The services of Mrs. Burwell of Indianapolis were secured for one public meeting. The address had the genuine temperance ring and was well received. Members secured on this occasion numbered ten active and eighteen honorary. Thus far this year the Union has received an aggregate of about forty members. The "Slot" machines of the city recently received an airing at the hands of the Union and the result was that the number was speedily decreased from about 75 to 15. The law against these danger traps for the young should be promptly enforced.

Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, writes:—Mrs. Rose Pearce conducted a very good Institute for the women of Grant County at Swayzee on the 9th and 10th of April, five sessions in all, nearly all of the men and women on the program were present and the few who could not be present sent substitutes. The papers, talks and discussions on the different subjects were above an average, even for Grant County. The diamond medal contest, filled the opera house with a very attentive audience. Mrs. S. Elizabeth Harvey, took the prize. The Swayzee ladies entertained the convention in a most royal manner. The fine new M. E. Church was opened throughout for our comfort and convenience. The spacious audience room with piano, tables, easy chairs, and a smiling committee of lovely White Ribboners made the stay of delegates in the city one to be remembered. At noon each day the hungry multitude was invited to the large dining room in the basement and served a good dinner. All came away feeling happy, and hoping for still greater victories in the future for Grant County.

SOME REASONS WHY THE W. C. T. U. STANDS FOR EQUAL SUFFRAGE.

Because God created humanity free and equal. Because the mere accident of sex is an unfair qualification for citizenship.

Because "governments derive their just powers from the consent governed."

Because in a representative republic the ballot is the only direct, orderly and effective method of expressing the views of the people on governmental questions.

Because "taxation without representation is tyranny," therefore those who financially support a government and are amenable to its laws should have a voice in their making.

Because women possess the proper qualifications for citizenship, i. e., intelligence, patriotism and loyalty to the best interests of the country.

Because an enfranchised womanhood would reach a higher plane of mental and moral ability, since responsibility educates.

Because women have interests which need special representation. Men can not fitly represent women. Women need the ballot to protect property, person and children.

Because the State needs the woman element. Government is now one-sided. The State should be an enlarged family.

Because the ballot is the only weapon which can kill the saloon, the chief enemy of the home. Prayers, moral suasion, social agencies and all other influences directed against the saloon power are, in the last analysis, triumphant only as they crystalize in the ballot box.

Franchise Victories.

Seventy years ago women could not vote anywhere, except to a very limited extent in Sweden and a few other places in the old world. Now they have equal political rights in Colorado, Wyoming, Utah and Idaho in the United States, and in New Zealand, Isle of Man, Australia and Tasmania, while many states and countries have conferred limited suffrage. The privilege has been granted as follows:

1838—Kentucky, school suffrage to widows with children of school age.

1850—Ontario, school suffrage to women, both married and single.

1861—Kansas, school suffrage to all women.

1867—New South Wales, municipal suffrage.

1869—Wyoming, full suffrage; England, municipal suffrage to single women and widows; Victoria, municipal suffrage to women, married and single.

1871—West Australia, municipal suffrage.

1875—Michigan and Minnesota, school suffrage.

1876—Colorado, school suffrage.

1877—New Zealand, school suffrage.

1878—New Hampshire and Oregon, school suffrage.

1879—Massachusetts, school suffrage.

1880—Isle of Man, full suffrage; New York and Vermont, school suffrage; South Australia, municipal suffrage.

1881—Scotland, municipal suffrage to single women and widows.

1882—Iceland, limited municipal suffrage to single women and widows.

1883—Nebraska, school suffrage.

1884—Tasmania, municipal suffrage; Ontario, and Nova Scotia, limited municipal suffrage to single women and widows with property.

1885—Wisconsin, school suffrage, but inoperative until 1901.

1886—Washington, school suffrage; New Zealand, municipal suffrage; Manitoba, municipal suffrage to single women and widows.

1887—Kansas, Nova Scotia and Manitoba, municipal suffrage; North and South Dakota, Montana, New Jersey and Arizona, school suffrage; Montana, tax-paying women, a vote on all questions submitted to tax-payers.

1888—New Brunswick, British Columbia and Northwest Territory, municipal suffrage to single women and widows with property; England county suffrage.

1889—Scotland, county suffrage; Providence of Quebec, municipal suffrage to single women and widows.

1891—Illinois, school suffrage.

1893—Colorado and New Zealand, full suffrage; Connecticut, school suffrage.

1894—Ohio, school suffrage; Iowa, limited municipal suffrage; England, parish and district suffrage to all women.

1895—South Australia, full suffrage.

1896—Utah and Idaho, full suffrage.

1898—Ireland, municipal and county suffrage; Minnesota, vote for library trustee; Delaware, school suffrage to tax-paying women; Louisiana, tax-paying women, a vote upon all questions submitted to the tax-payers; France, women engaged in commerce the right to vote for judges of tribunals of commerce.

1900—West Australia, full parliamentary suffrage.

1901—Wisconsin, school suffrage law of 1885 made operative by second law providing ballot boxes for women; New York, tax-paying women a vote on questions of local taxation in third class cities, and in villages and townships; Norway, municipal suffrage to tax-paying women.

1902—New South Wales, full suffrage; Federated Australia, full parliamentary suffrage to her 800,000 women; women may be elected to parliament and hold any elective national office.

1903—Kansas, bond suffrage; Tasmania, full suffrage.

The above is quoted from the official leaflet of the Franchise Department of the National W. C. T. U. Superintendent Dr. Meade McLlvain Sanders, 924 Park avenue, Racine, Wis.

WORLD'S CONVENTION SEATS.

The arrangement for seats in Tremont Temple, Boston, during the World's W. C. T. U. convention is as follows:

Front rows of first balcony, \$3.00; remaining rows of first balcony, excepting back row, also the first row in upper balcony, \$2.00; back row in first balcony two or three rows in upper balcony, \$1.00. There will be about a thousand free seats on the floor of the house and in the upper balcony.

Applications for tickets will be filed as quickly as possible after May 15. Should the demand for \$3.00 seats be greater than the supply, \$2.00 tickets will be substituted and \$1.00 refunded, and likewise with the \$2.00 supply wherever possible, unless requests to the contrary are sent with the application. Friends wishing to be together will please send their application as one order, and with one address only. No application can be filled unless accompanied with remittance. It is not safe to send currency; enclose drafts on Boston banks or postal or express money orders. All seats are transferable.

Every effort will be made to meet individual preferences. When, however, because of a large demand, this may not be possible, be assured that the next best possible thing will be attempted.

E. J. HERALD,

Treasurer Convention Committee, 14 Beacon St., Boston, Mass.

Dear Madam:—A very liberal donation was made in the month of February by the various Unions of the city to one of our most worthy institutions, The Woman's Christian Home, amounting to something over sixteen dollars, besides a shower of various household articles, which was highly appreciated by the matron, also at the same time, a donation of five dollars was given by an aged lady who is a friend of that institution. Our Union also observed the Red Letter Day in February, the occasion being the heavenly birthday of Frances E. Willard.

Yours respectfully,

MRS. LILLIE HALL,

Cor. Sec. Central Union, Lafayette, Ind.

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IS YOUR UNION ON THE HONOR LIST?

Is it entitled to place there? May 3, we will begin the publication of a new Honor List in The Union Signal, repeating the list each month, if possible, until Convention, adding to the list each month the additional Unions reported. This Honor List, in a more complete form, will also be prominently displayed at Hartford convention.

Every local Union having a subscription list equal to or exceeding 25 per cent of its membership is entitled to a place on this list. In order to list your Union, we must have, (1) A statement from your local Union Treasurer, signed by your President, of the number of dues-paying members in the Union; (2) A list of your subscribers to The Union Signal, with postoffice address of each, signed by your local Union Signal representative or your President. Subscriptions which expire before November 1, 1906, will not be counted.

If your Union is entitled to a place on this list, send us the required statements at once. To appear on the June list, we must have the necessary information on or before May 28th. If your Union has not the required proportion of subscribers, suppose you secure them before another month comes.

Address The Union Signal, Evanston, Ill.

IN MEMORIAM.

The Goshen Union mourns the death of Mrs. Adam P. Daub, who for about twelve years was an efficient active member. Mrs. Daub was especially zealous in the press department. She leaves besides her husband, one son and a step daughter. She was a member of St. Johns Catholic church where the funeral was held.

Try to secure by United Action the Voluntary Sunday Closing of Places of Business.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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MRS. MARY H. HUNT PROMOTED.

Mrs. Mary H. Hunt was born July 4, 1830, in Connecticut, her maternal ancestor was a direct descendant of the English Cavalier, Edward Winslow who came to this country on the May Flower and was one of the early governors of the Plymouth Colony. She was also a descendant of the Godly Thomas Thacher, a learned physician and eminent divine, the first pastor of the old South Church, Boston.

Mrs. Hunt was educated in Maryland and was married to Leander B. Hunt of Douglas, Mass., in 1852. They had one son only, the late Captain Alfred E. Hunt who was the comfort and solace of his lonely mother's heart for many years. Captain Hunt was able and accomplished, he was connected with the aluminum industry of Pittsburgh and Niagara.

Dr. A. H. Plumb says: "This justly celebrated young scientist, an expert chemist and successful manufacturer, was heart and soul in the work of his mother, herself a professor of chemistry before her marriage and until he gave his life to his country in the Spanish War, exemplified and assisted her pious philanthropic qualities and achievements.

Miss Frances J. Willard was guest of Mrs. Hunt's in 1879 and after listening to Mrs. Hunt's presentation of her convictions, regarding temperance and teaching in the schools Miss Willard invited her to come to the National W. C. T. U. to be held in Indianapolis that Autumn and present her plans, which invitation she accepted. Miss Willard was then corresponding secretary of the National Union. It seems that it is significant that in Indianapolis Miss Willard was for the first time elected president of the National W. C. T. U. and that Mrs. Mary H. Hunt should appear in the interest of the temperance education for the first time at the same convention in Indianapolis. Mrs. Hunt was made chairman of a committee to carry out her ideas of Scientific Temperance Instruction in the public schools. The next year this was made a department with Mrs. Hunt as superintendent. Mrs. Hunt proposed compulsory instruction on scientific study of the nature and effects of alcoholic drinks and other narcotics in connection with physiology and hygiene for pupils in all public schools; drafted the laws for compulsory scientific temperance education now on statute books of Congress, all States of the Union and some providences of Canada and other countries. She personally conducted the campaigns which secured enactments of these laws, appearing as they advocate before Congress and the legislatures of States.

Mrs. Hunt was first vice president of International Anti-Alcoholic Congress, Brussels under auspices of King of Belgium, 1897, and at Bremen April, 1903. She was superintendent of scientific temperance instruction for the National and World's W. C. T. U., at the Los Angeles convention she was made Director of Bureau of Scientific Temperance Investigation.

Mrs. Hunt established, edited and published The School Physiology Journal, one of the greatest helps to teachers.

The Union Signal Says: "The story of the battle for scientific temperance instruction for the children of this country has been in a sense the life story of Mary H. Hunt."

Mrs. Hunt lived to receive the recognition and appreciation her work deserved. Especially was this true during the last year of her life when, a prisoner almost through weary months, repeated tokens of success came to cheer her waiting soul; the endorsement of her carefully prepared text-books by Medical Associations, as in Maine and elsewhere; Germany's imperial decree that they should be introduced into the elementary schools of the empire; the petition of 15,000 medical men of Great Britain for the enactment of the law; above all the recognition widespread and far-reaching of men of scientific attainment of the scientific accuracy of her latest books. Her interview with the Empress of Germany is well-known, but perhaps not so well-known is the fact that the empress is a total abstainer and ardently espouses the cause of saving the people from alcoholic drinks; she has brought up her own sons as total abstainers.

The Boston Transcript, in an editorial tribute to Mrs. Hunt, says:

"She has imbedded in the statute books of Congress much of her own handiwork, and West Point Academy and the Naval Academy and all the territories and the District of Columbia are obliged in any teaching supported by federal funds to give a prescribed quantum of instruction upon the physiological effects of alcohol.

"The 'Committee of Fifty,' with all the social, political and educational prestige of the authors, have detracted nothing from what they term, this educational exorcism. Ten years of effort and a voluminous report have accomplished nothing in removing scientific temperance instruction laws from the statute books in the United States.

"It is difficult to realize that the heroic Mary H. Hunt has laid down the work to which she was so devoted. Alert, keen, her mind as clear as ever, she did not falter almost up to the last week of her life. Then the storm and strain and stress of battle died away and she turned her face heavenward. 'Talk to me of heaven,' she said; 'I'm tired, I want to go.'"

Funeral services were held April 26 in Pilgrim Church, Dorchester, (Boston). The speakers were: Rev. W. H. Albright, D. D., pastor of the church; Rev. Perley B. Davis, Mrs. Hunt's former pastor in Hyde Park; Rev. Albert H. Plumb, D. D., pastor of the Walnut Avenue (Boston) Congregational Church and chairman of the Advisory Board of the department of Scientific Temperance Instruction, and Miss Anna A. Gordon, representing the World's and National W. C. T. U. Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, National President, was obliged to fill an important engagement in Canada and so could not



MRS. MARY H. HUNT.

World and National Superintendent of Department Scientific Temperance Instruction in the W. C. T. U.

be present.

"The workers fall but the work goes on." This saying, with which White Ribboners are want to close up ranks and press on, has already been beautifully illustrated in the pledges of fealty to Mrs. Hunt's work. The Executive committee of Massachusetts W. C. T. U., which attended the funeral service in a body, said in formal resolution:

"We pledge our own undeviating fidelity to the carrying forward of the great principles of total abstinence teaching for the children of our own and of all lands. We will not cease from our labors until the 'Star of hope of the Temperance Reform' which now 'stands over the school house,' shall shine in all phases of human life and temperance be recognized as a necessary element of righteousness."

And this from the New York Central Committee for Scientific Temperance Instruction, by Alfred L. Manierre, secretary:

"Great in mind, great in soul, great in heart, great in accomplishment. The blessing of her work will rest on untold generations of all races. With affection and admiration as a pledge to support and maintain the work established by

her, we lay this tribute at her feet."

The committal at Forest Hills toward the setting of the sun on a beautiful April day, had in it all the elements of the victory immortal. Turning away from the open grave, one seemed to hear a voice between earth and heaven, saying, "It is finished," "I shall arise."

Gov. Beckham of Kentucky will help to enforce Sabbath Observance State law. Mayor Barth of Louisville has issued Sunday closing orders. Sunday closing will be seriously felt by some of the residents of Jeffersonville and New Albany who have been restrained by the Indiana law.

The saloon men will doubtless resist the law as unconstitutional and it is probable that test cases will be afforded.

The great need of this country is honest law enforcing officials and good men on the Bench.

\$1,375 FOR INDIANA W. C. T. U.

First installment from the estate of Mayhew Davis. Miss Clara Sears, treasurer Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance Union has received \$1,375 as the first installment of the W. C. T. U. share of the estate of Mayhew Davis, of Union County. It is thought the W. C. T. U. will get about \$3,000 in all.

FROM OUR STATE PRESIDENT

My Dear County Laborers:—Many encouraging letters have come to my desk in the last two months and I feel sure if the organization work is kept up, the crusade for new members pushed and dues are collected from the old members carefully in the June and September quarters we will come up to the State convention with a handsome gain. For this, let us not only pray but labor.

I had the pleasure of spending twenty-two days in the counties in the south western part of the State. In many places where I visited the saloon has been put out by remonstrance and I found that our women had been loyal and helpful in the work. In every place, temperance sentiment is on the rise and the saloon keepers are beginning to realize that "Prohibition for Indiana" is no utopian dream nor fancy of fanatical women, but is an ideal toward which all Christian men and women are striving and to which the State is fast coming.

Only Judgment will reveal the great part the W. C. T. U. has played in this great reform. Gibson County comes in as an organized county this quarter with two new Unions, making four in all. Posey County also with two Unions and a most energetic President who is planning for others. Spencer County was organized with Mrs. E. C. Graham of Rockport as County President. An excellent Union was organized in Petersburg, Pike County, with twenty-one active and four honorary members. Rev. W. M. Whitt and wife of the M. E. Church had the plans all laid and a number of members pledged when I arrived. A minister in sympathy means much. Some of the most enthusiastic meetings held were in the high schools. Seed sown among these boys and girls will bring forth a bountiful harvest.

At Mt. Vernon we more than doubled the membership, and spent a most delightful Sabbath in the Presbyterian and German Methodist Churches.

I found in "the pocket" that our W. C. T. U. is composed of the cream of the churches, just as in every other part of the State.

May God help us to all be true to our God, our churches and our white ribbon.

CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

JAIL AND PRISON WORK.

Dear Sisters:—Who are interested in this special line of our work? Let me ask you to help me make this the very best year of our work. Will you please begin now with more interest than ever before?

Let us remember Flower Mission Day the ninth of June and strive to carry sunshine and gladness to the unfortunate prisoners.

Will you also send to Mrs. J. K. Barney of Providence, R. I., and to Mrs. Louisa Lametyn of Knoxville, Tenn., for tracts which are highly recommended by our National Superintendent to be used in our work.

Please direct your letters to me after the 10th of June to Marion R. R. No. 3.

Yours for service,
SALLIE SHUGART EDGERTON,
Lafayette, Ind.

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FLOWER MISSION DAY, JUNE 9.

NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE DAY, JULY 4.

PICNIC DAY, BIRTHDAY, MISS ANNA GORDON, JULY 21.

ISLAND PARK ASSEMBLY, JULY 25 TO AUGUST 17.

W. C. T. U. DAYS, AUGUST 15 TO 16.

LITERATURE AND FRANCHISE DAY, AUGUST 6.

WORLDS W. C. T. U. CONVENTION, 1906, BOSTON, MASS., OCTOBER 17 TO 23. NATIONAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTION, 1906, HARTFORD, CONN., OCTOBER 26 TO 31.

The July Message will contain valuable information concerning "beer."

To thoroughly spread information concerning any phase of our W. C. T. U. work it is necessary to reach the women in the homes of all classes. This can only be done by a systematic visiting scheme. It can be done. By districts, by squares or by streets. The Union should have an abundance of literature on some one subject, short practical leaflets, then secure the volunteer helper to go into every house in a prescribed territory and with gracious greeting to the lady in the house present a leaflet explaining something of the breadth of the W. C. T. U. work. By such a course it will be found that quite a large per cent of home keepers do not know anything about our work, consequently are not interested. By personal interview they become interested and if the leaflet presented is on, beer, tobacco, Sabbath observance, alcoholic patent medicines or what—they will read it and then the members of that family will hear all about it at the next meal time.

In every Union there are women who offer themselves for the Master's service, many say I want to work for the temperance cause. Now there is one very effective manner of working and that is in carrying the information to the

homekeepers. A small per cent of them are in our church services on Sunday, a still smaller per cent ever attend any kind of a temperance meeting. Many of them read very little along these lines so where are they to get the information that is so much needed in the homes of Indiana? We must take it to them—not a select few—no, to every house.

"I have not the time" is the universal reply to all requests. This work does not take as much time as it might at first appear, counting less than ten minutes at a home, and by going in the morning few will be out. At least one entire city block could be visited in one morning. Think of that! who could refuse!

THE FLOWER MISSION DAY.

The Flower Mission Day observance presents a fine opportunity for enlisting the help of young people and disinterested people. Musicians and readers will be especially helpful on a program for an institution.

From every class of society, flowers, fruits, jellies, candy and clothing should be solicited.

Rallies and Picnics arranged for July 4th with very wide advertisement will pre-empt the territory for temperance. Family picnic parties planned for such occasions get the young people imbued with temperance ideas.

At Island Park, Rome City, twenty miles north of Ft. Wayne the assembly management is more favorable to our temperance work and grants us more courtesies than any other in Indiana.

This year the W. C. T. U. has charge of the following departments with special workers. General Superintendent, Mrs. McWhirter; Mother's Meetings, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, State President of Indiana.

Parliamentary Law, Mrs. Emor L. Calkins, State President of Michigan.

Kindergarten, Miss Ruth Ransom, Chicago.

Physical Culture and Medal Contests, Miss Mary Evaly Evertson, Asbury College, Kentucky.

Expression and Physical Culture, Miss Charlotte Barnum, general secretary Loyal Temperance Legion of Michigan and national organizer of Loyal Temperance Legion.

The work in these departments will begin at the opening and be carried on by these superintendents during the entire assembly, closing with the W. C. T. U. Days, August 15-16.

The Program for these days will be especially strong; speakers, Mrs. Harriet W. Brand, national treasurer; Mrs. Vayhinger, our State President; Mrs. Calkins, Michigan's State President and Hon. George R. Stuart of Georgia.

An oratorical contest for a diamond medal with six contestants, two each from Ohio, Michigan and Indiana.

Miscellaneous programs showing the practical features of our kindergarten by having the entire school on the platform, illustrating their daily work. A parliamentary drill, physical culture, class work, fancy drills, reading, etc. Then a silver medal contest by Rome City resident contestants, members of families holding assembly tickets are admitted free into all classes.

For the workers a very large furnished cottage is provided as a home. Halls are provided for classes and meetings. Thus our W. C. T. U. becomes a very important feature in this chaqueta work.

Our great desire is for those who see the outlook in this aggressive work and can understand the possibilities to attend the assembly on W. C. T. U. days if at no other time.

Furnished cottages rent for \$10 and \$12 per week. Sylvan lake is smooth and safe, good boating and fishing wonderful opportunities for a week's rest, quiet and congenial company in a delightful place. One fare for round trip on steam cars. Interurban cars now run to Ft. Wayne.

No better place in Indiana for the boys and girls—safe water privileges, excellent well water and wholesome surroundings with splendid entertainment at auditorium every day—no Sunday desecration. For further information concerning cottages, board, etc., write to Rev. J. F. Snyder, secretary, LaGrange, Indiana.

W. C. T. U. Unions that will run excursions to Island park, Rome City on W. C. T. U. days can make it profitable to their treasuries and at the same time wonderfully help to spread the temperance gospel. To persons who contemplate arranging for an excursion, Rev. J. F. Snyder will give helpful information.

HON. JOHN G. WOOLLEY.

At a welcome home dinner at Chicago gives a graphic glimpse of a year's trip to the Orient. In part he said:

"It goes without saying that I am exceedingly glad to be back in my own country but we have had a wonderful inspiring year in the East. As never before I feel sure that the hope of the Prohibition movement in this country and at this time is that it has become a world movement and the leading thinkers and reformers in all countries are sharing in the movement against intoxicants. Not only here in America but throughout the world the people are beginning to be free to think and act. They are beginning

to rebel against dishonest service. They are more informed regarding corruption and the liquor fraud than they ever were before. The attitude of the press but reflects this fact and is adding testimony to the truth of our progress.

Observations in New Zealand, Australia and the Philippines.

"My observation in the countries I have visited is that the temperance movement while different in form is gaining ground quite as rapidly in the East as it is in our own country. In New Zealand where the people vote every three years on the liquor traffic, the Prohibition poll has steadily increased for over fourteen years, and the overthrow of the license system in that country is now merely a question of three, six or at the most nine years' time. The immediate results of the election last fall were somewhat disappointing, although Prohibition polled a majority of all the votes cast, but the rule which required a three-fifths majority in favor in order to make Prohibition legal, prevented victory at this time, but there is no hesitation and the battle is going on.

"In Australia a great campaign is on. A law similar to the New Zealand privilege has just been placed upon the statute books.

"In the Philippines our government is absolutely disgraceful as regards drink. The drinking habits of many of the government officials have been a snare to the natives. The whole American colony in Manila, with rare exceptions as far as the drinking is concerned, is bad and it will take a long time for the evil influences of our previous island governor to be neutralized in that regard.

Surprised in China and Japan.

"China proved a great surprise to me. A warm welcome awaited us at Shanghai where enthusiastic meetings had been arranged and we were royally treated. Among the leading Chinese citizens are many who have been abroad and have returned greatly interested in the progress of the temperance reform and are doing their best to extend the total abstinence policy in the Celestial Empire.

"But when we reached Japan a still greater surprise awaited us. I never saw such eagerness to hear and absorb whatever information and facts we had to give them. The war was just over when we arrived there, and thousands of the Jap soldiers were returning from Manchurian battle fields, but strange as it may seem there was little or no drinking among them and for the most part it was as abstemious a crowd as a delegation of ministers in this country en route to some church conference. Our first point in Japan was Nagasaki, a mission colony where we had a strenuous ten days of it with two enthusiastic rallies every day. The Japanese young people are most appreciative and sympathetic, and they would listen to what I had to say without any regard as to what time it was when I began or when I might stop. Occasionally they would keep me at it for two, three, four and even five hours at a time, and were ready for another meeting of the same sort at the first possible moment thereafter. At Tokio and Yokohama we had many large and enthusiastic rallies at which hundreds of university young men were conspicuous by their interest and attention. The whole trend of Japanese thought seems to be in the direction of western ideas and western customs. Everywhere the warmest friendship was professed for America and Americans. If there is one thing that stands out above others on this trip it is that we have the best people in the world in this great fight wherever it is being carried on. Nothing could match their hospitality wherever we went and especially was this noticeable in our final meetings in Japan. At our last meeting in Tokio we were presented with a silk American flag with the Japanese flag fastened indissolubly to it and this token represented the feeling of our friends throughout our journey. Best of all to me was the evidence that the Christian people are leading in this great reform. The liquor men are coming to treat the church as synonymous with its most desperate enemies and a head-on collision is rapidly approaching.

A New Faith in Foreign Missions.

"On this trip I have been converted to a great practical faith in foreign missions and I now believe that the greatest investment of money and power that I have ever seen in the world is what is being put into the foreign missionary field. The movement is spreading everywhere, the idea that humanity is brotherhood; that brotherhood implies a fatherhood in God, and the result is an advantage to every moral reform.

"I found everywhere the greatest reverence for America as the mother of reforms. But I also found, especially in New Zealand, a more intimate knowledge with facts and figures of our progress than almost any of us can command at a moment's notice. It is the universal custom of a New Zealand audience to cross-examine the speaker either during or at the end of his address, and the only way he can protect himself against endless interruptions is by inviting inquiries for information at the close of his remarks. A Prohibition rally in New Zealand is not a social gathering.

ing but one for the generation of enthusiasm merely. It is an affair to which the people go for information and one has to have his logic and argument well in hand in order to satisfy his audience. The tantalizing thing about your interpreter in New Zealand is that he is always prepared to answer if you hesitate, but by being frank with them and friendly, it has been very easy to win their confidence and sympathy.

"In closing I believe we are entering upon the greatest period of victory in the Prohibition movement. The Prohibition party has won the attention of civilization to the liquor problem and if it never did anything else, it could rest upon this as the greatest victory it could possibly achieve.

"Let us go bravely on. I bid you all God speed."

OFFICIAL.

REPORT OF MID-YEAR MEETING.

Reports of mid-year meeting held in Central Avenue M. E. Church at Indianapolis.

The "Y" branch and the "Y" Union was discussed at length and many discouraging features were eliminated and the secretary encouraged to continue her efforts. Many young women belong to the "W's" and are doing good work. On motion of Miss Woodard, "Indiana's plan of organization was amended so to read "that when a worker gave a lecture at night that the sum of \$2.00 be added to the allowance of \$1.00, making a sum total of \$3.00 per day."

Mrs. Mary Moody was present and offered to have some most excellent literature sent to any County President leaving her name and address.

Mrs. Gipe of Marion County presented the subject of Headquarters for Marion County and asked the State to co-operate and receive a share in its benefits. The following committee was appointed to consult with the county: Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, Mrs. Lida Outland and Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall.

On motion of Mrs. Gipe the general officers were instructed to consult an able attorney before leaving the city and learn what steps should be taken to change the Constitution of the State of Indiana favorable to woman suffrage.

The treasurer's report was very encouraging; all bills paid to date and a fair balance to begin the next quarter.

The difficulty of members receiving their State paper, The Message, is greatly diminished under the careful oversight of our State treasurer.

Twenty new unions have been organized since the State Convention. A few counties have not been heard from this "first six months," and many Unions as yet have sent in no dues.

County presidents were instructed to discourage the habit of paying dues in partial payments because of the State paper not being due them until all was paid.

Miss Woodard had found much difficulty in making dates for the organizers because of the revival season, but had great hope that much work would be done in the ensuing months.

Amboy has two new Legions—Senior and Junior.

Because of a missionary convention being held in Elkhart in October—the month in which the State convention is held—the place of holding our convention was changed to Portland. Kokomo also gave an invitation.

Mrs. Thomas, Superintendent of Franchise, asked the co-operation of the committee in her department. Mattie Cammack Gibson, secretary.

MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

My tour of one week to the northwest part of the State was not all we could wish, but I am sure the Lord blessed our labors at every point. At Winamac we found good loyal souls who are not merely holding the fort, but are making an aggressive warfare on the enemy. We organized a White Ribbon Cradle Roll and will perhaps go to them again.

At Knox we held two good meetings and organized a Union of eighteen regular and four honorary members.

At Brookston we met our faithful Mrs. Allie Anderson who was made President of the Union I organized there. They decided for their first work to organize an L. T. L. Will Mrs. Mix please send them some helps and instruction.

A sister writes me that on her return home after several months' absence she was informed that the State had dropped the department of Mothers' Meetings. Not so. Ladies over the State have written me that the Mothers' Meetings are better attended and more enthusiastically attended than any of the department meetings. Certainly we can not ignore the mothers and children if we want to build up a holy nation. The nation is built by the homes. If the homes are good, pure and right the nation will be a God loving and God honoring nation. Hold Mothers' Meetings. Elevate the home, and you will elevate the nation.

May God bless every Superintendent and multiply the number.

Lovingly,
MRS. S. M. STAHL,
State Supt. Mothers' Meetings.

CLARK AND FLOYD INSTITUTE.

Great interest was taken in the Institute at New Albany. Day sessions were held in the First Presbyterian Church. Evening sessions in Park Christian and Centenary M. E. Churches. The address of welcome was given by Miss Spangler, President of Clark County. Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall, Institute Leader did good and efficient work.

What can young people's societies do to promote civic righteousness? The home training of children—Should our children be educated with saloon money? Hindrances to law Enforcement and How Should Christians Observe the Lord's Day?, were among the topics ably discussed by members and friends of the Union. A number of members taking part in the discussion.

The Institute closed with a silver medal oratorical contest. The medal was won by Mrs. Anna Coleman of New Albany.

The success of the Institute is largely owing to the zeal and energy of Mrs. Anna Jones the long-time faithful President of Floyd County.

Several accessions were made to the membership.

FROM CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

Dear Comrades:—Since my last report to The Message the following Unions have been organized: Plymouth, Marshall County organized by Mrs. Shedd; White Oak, Oakland and Walnut Corner, Jay County and Carp, Owen County, organized by Mrs. Stanley; Grandview, Spencer County and Connersville, Fayette County, organized by Miss Woodard; Smithville, Monroe County, organized by Mrs. O. N. Siekenha; Stones' Crossing, Johnson County and New Salem, Rush County, organized by Mrs. Kroft; Hazleton and Francisco, Gibson County, and Petersburg, Pike County, organized by Mrs. Vayhinger; Wabash Wabash County and Roanoke, Huntington County, organized by David Burwell; Cochran, Dearborn County, organized by Mrs. Hall; Chrisney, Spencer County, organized by Mrs. Hawk, Mrs. Hackleman and Mrs. Graham of Rockport; Dumkirk, Jay County, organized by former members; Charlestown, Clark County, organized by Miss Bertrude Spangler; Knox, Starke County and Brookston, White County, organized by Mrs. Stahl; Petersburg, Bartholomew County, organizer not reported; Summitville, Madison County, organized at time of County Institute.

In addition to these local Unions, Gibson, Spencer and Posey Counties, organized by Mrs. Vayhinger, and Owen County organized by Mrs. Stanley, we have four county Unions.

Now dear sisters this is a fairly good record in organization but not what your Corresponding Secretary has hoped for. Will you not resolve with me that we must have fifty new Unions before the State convention.

There are many places in the State in which the women might be interested in our work if only it were presented to them. Many of you have friends and acquaintances in unorganized places and now will you not as soon as you read this send me a postal card giving the name and addresses and I will try to interest them in arranging for one of our organizers. Several of the Unions organized this year were secured in this way, and with your co-operation we may double the membership before the State convention. As soon as this appears in The Message I shall look for a postal card "shower" and shall be delighted if it comes thick and fast.

Many Unions over the State have made splendid gains already this year, and are still trying for more, but so many failed to report dues last quarter that the showing on our treasurer's books was disappointing. Will you not urge your local treasurers to be careful to collect dues this quarter and report on time that we may know more nearly how we stand with reference to membership. We must not fall below 1,000 gain this year, but we will have to work hard in order to bring our gain to the 1,000 mark. The Loyal White Ribboners of Indiana will do their utmost I am sure.

Yours for victory,
MARY E. WOODARD.

FIELD NEWS

Warren Union boasts of a senior L. T. L. of 73 members and a junior L. T. L. of 50. A professor and two high school teachers are members and add much to the interest of the meetings. Pledge signing is an interesting feature among the members. Through the influence of the Flower Mission department there have been several conversions. Mothers' meetings are among the most interesting meetings held. One public meeting has been given and several temperance sermons preached, and temperance and Sabbath observance literature has been distributed. Superintendents are all at work.

Markle Union is doing efficient home work. It

has held four public meetings since the State convention, and meetings are held regularly every two weeks. It has looked after druggists who are defying the law, and causing their arrests, also had an undesirable club house closed. When there are any evil deeds committed in the town the people will ask "Where is the W. C. T. U.'s, what will they do?" So it is to be seen that something is expected of the little city's "safety guard" and it is making itself felt.

The County Executive secured the services of Mr. Burwell on March 20th, for two addresses at Roanoke. These were well received and as a result Roanoke Union was reorganized with eleven active members and fourteen honorary members. Eleven departments of work were provided for. The Union starts out with fair prospects of success. The temperance people of Roanoke and vicinity recently succeeded by remonstrance in wiping out the saloon leperous spots of their town. The county plans to work in harmony with State plans. An increase of 100 active members and at least double its number of Unions is its aim for the year. Steps are being taken to organize Unions at several new points in the county.

The Morgan County W. C. T. U. Institute opened April 9th, commencing at 1:30 p. m. with four Unions represented. County Pres. Mrs. S. P. Toner in her usual hearty manner welcomed the ladies to which the leader, Mrs. Haughton kindly responded, and throughout the session fully explained the evangelistic work and other departments of the organization. Mrs. Thompson of Mooresville read an exceptionally good paper on Sabbath observance, and the discussions that followed were very helpful to those present. At night a silver medal contest, participated in by five matrons drew a large crowd. The numbers were all good and highly pleasing to the audience. Those who contested were Mesdames Wemer and Haase of Mooresville, Mesdames Woodcock of Martinsville. Solos by Misses Harvey and Latta of Mooresville and Mrs. W. A. Tulie Isenhower, Veda Maunaa and Edward Schaeffer were interspersed throughout the program, and while the judges were out a selection by Miss Edythe Magerlin was enjoyed. Mrs. Latta of Mooresville was the successful contestant. The Institute convened again at 9:00 o'clock, April 11th. After a very interesting Bible reading by the leader and after presenting the need of our temperance periodicals, a very interesting feature of the morning session was a Parliamentary drill by Mrs. Mary Utter. Mrs. Mary Green gave a fine talk on the evil effects of the pool room upon our young men, giving in a very impressive manner a personal experience which brought out the law on these things, thereby urging mothers to keep informed as to the law and save the boys. The educational department of the W. C. T. U. was made very plain under the direction of the leader which was followed by a delightful recitation by Mrs. J. E. Kennedy on "Mixing Politics and Religion," which greatly pleased the audience. The afternoon session opened with devotions, followed by Rev. M. W. Yocum on the trend of the "Current Events and their Portents. Mrs. Rena Woodcock gave a touching recitation, followed by Rev. R. H. Moore on "How to Make our Work Felt in our Own Town and Community. Bro. M. L. Gillespie entered very much into the spirit of the meeting and took up the thought where others left off on the "Unity of the Temperance Forces." Would that we had space to give here the words of cheer and helpfulness that these three good brothers gave, the thoughts they presented were plain facts and highly appreciated as the discussions showed at the finish of each talk. A paper on how to make the press serve the temperance cause was read by Mrs. Q. A. Blankenship. A very interesting paper on how to increase attendance at our meetings by Mrs. O. E. Grove and an exceedingly touching production from the pen of Mrs. W. A. Woodcock on Frances Willard was read to a very attentive audience. With but one exception every number on the program was filled, making the Institute a success. Nearing the close of the meeting Miss Martha Yokey favored the audience with a pleasing recitation, "Antie Doleful." After disposing of business the Institute adjourned feeling that it was good to have been there and learned more of the W. C. T. U. methods. At 7:30 Mrs. Elizabeth Houghton addressed the people of the M. E. Church where they were holding Lenten revival services.

A Silver Medal contest was held at Summitville with special musical numbers interspersed. Proceeds, \$16.00. Medal won by Gilbert Luzzader. Bloomington Union observed Press Day with appropriate program.

Rummage sale proceeds, \$30.50.

Committee on organization reported a new Union at Smithville and authorized to organize at Ellettsville.

The unlawful liquor selling in Bloomington was discussed. Mrs. Lela Carey was received into the Union.

This college town needs aggressive temperance work and The Message congratulates the membership of this Union on its aggressiveness. —Editor.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, our dear State Vice President has been bereft of her mother. She was promoted after a long illness. For some time Mrs. Stanley was with her in her home in Tennessee.

After June 1st Mrs. Stanley will be available for field work.

Dearborn County, two days Institute was held at Cochran; Mrs. Rynerson, county president, presiding; Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall, leader.

Representatives were present from Cold Springs, Lawrenceburg, Moores Hill and Bright, with good reports from each Union.

"How should Christians observe the Lord's Day with regard to business houses?" was ably handled by Rev. S. E. Davies. Following that Mr. Lindsay presented the abuses of the Sunday by Sunday mails, trains, papers and games. A special feature was a parliamentary drill by Mrs. Hall which was greatly enjoyed.

Sunday School work was presented by Mrs. C. A. Gordon of Moores Hill and evangelistic work by Mrs. J. M. Evans. "The Church Moving in a solid Phalanx Against its Deadliest Foe," was the subject of an excellent address by Rev. H. G. Wilkinson.

A fine paper on "Hindrances to law enforcement" by Mrs. O. E. Faulkner of Moores Hill was read.

A very comprehensive paper on "The home training of children," was read by Mrs. Louise S. Davis.

"The training of children to helpfulness and Christianity," was presented by Mrs. Lambertson of Moores Hill in a very interesting manner.

Mrs. Henrietta Cochran, of Moores Hill read an excellent paper on "The effects of alcohol on the system."

Rev. C. T. White of Dillsboro spoke entertainingly on "The Patriotism of Women."

On the first evening a Ribbon Lecture was given by Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall to a very large and interested audience.

On the second evening a medal contest was held, medal awarded to Miss Margaret Webb.

During the Institute a W. C. T. U. was organized among the Cochran ladies with the following officers: President, Mrs. Mary Fauss; vice president, Mrs. Anna Jarvis; recording secretary, Miss Rachel Clause; corresponding secretary, Miss Mamie Green; treasurer, Mrs. Clara Drake. Mrs. Ella Lindsay, organist. Thus Dearborn County will come up to next State convention with a splendid showing of active Unions.

That Honor List—Did you see it in the May 3 and June 7 issues of the Union Signal? Was your State well represented? Was your Union there? If not, be sure to let us hear from you in time for next month's list.

If your Union has a subscription list to The Union Signal equal to 25 per cent or more of its membership, it is entitled to a place on the Honor List. Please read carefully the following:

Requirements—To place your Union on this list, July 5, we must have in this office on or before June 25, 1906, the following information:

(1) A statement from the local treasurer, signed by the president, of the number of dues-paying members in the Union.

(2) A list of your subscribers to The Union Signal, with post office address of each, signed by your Union Signal representative.

Subscriptions which expire before November 1, 1906, will not be counted.

Address: The Union Signal, Evanston, Ill.

The Hartsville W. C. T. U. gave a reception on the evening of May 12th at the home of Mrs. Minerva Cummins in honor of the 23 new members lately received and the contest classes one of young ladies and one of young gentlemen. After a short program, refreshments, consisting of ice cream, cake, and coffee were served. The Union is doing good work under the leadership of Mrs. S. C. Smalley as president.

Madison County Institute was held at Summitville, one day, May 4, under the leadership of Mrs. Rose Pearce.

All Unions were represented. Mrs. Pearce gave a very encouraging report of work in other counties.

The morning was devoted to the business of the county and a short consecration service, the program followed in the afternoon.

Evangelistic work was well discussed by Mrs. Starky, Superintendent of Sunday School work.

"How to double our membership" was treated rather negatively by Mrs. Ritter Jones. She seems rather to favor the small (if need be) but thoroughly consecrated band of earnest praying women to the larger number who give their names and sometimes their presents to the Union but take no special interest in the work.

Summitville being an unorganized place a new Union with 13 members was organized with Mrs. Willis P. Peele as President.

Rev. Lacy gave a very good talk on "How can a Union of Temperance Forces be Secured" with many pertinent suggestions on the subject.

The Allen County W. C. T. U. Institute was held in the M. E. Church at Monroeville.

President Mrs. J. F. Kinsey in the chair. Mrs. J. W. Van Buskirk of the Boston Union,

led the devotions. Mrs. Lucy Youse reported the work done by the Boston Union. Mrs. Protzeller reported for "Willard Union" of Ft. Wayne. Reports of Superintendents of Departments were given showing much work done.

Mrs. Rose Pearce, Institute Leader, followed with many helpful suggestions and plans for future work.

The financial business of the Institute was followed by dinner in the church parlors served by the ladies of Section 1, Boston Union.

In the afternoon the Institute was formally organized. Miss Ida McIntosh of Hoagland as secretary. Committees appointed.

Mrs. J. F. Kinsey, in a few well-chosen words, bade all welcome. Mrs. Pearce responded in a happy vein.

"Evangelistic work, when and how" was discussed by Mrs. Emily McIntosh of Hoagland and Mrs. Pearce. Many good thoughts were brought out on this subject. "How to increase the attendance at our meetings" was considered by Mrs. Barnhart and was participated in by several.

"How to make the Press serve the Temperance cause" was presented by Mrs. M. S. Amos, State Superintendent of Press Work of Kansas who gave an interesting short address.

A touching solo was sung by Mrs. J. B. Miller. The Loyal Temperance Legion was enthusiastically presented by Mrs. Ridenour of Ft. Wayne who is devoted to the work.

At 7:30 o'clock the evening session convened. Mrs. Lucy Youse, local President, conducted the devotions.

A reading by Mrs. Hubler, a recitation by Virgil Youse and music preceeded the very able and interesting address by Rev. Rowand of Ft. Wayne, which was listened to with interest by the large and attentive audience.

The music by the orchestra and the Elysian Quartette was highly appreciated and added much to the pleasure and interest of the evening.

Second day of the Institute Mrs. N. W. Bloom of Ft. Wayne conducted the devotions, reading a number of selections compiled by Miss Willard. Rev. Powers of the U. B. Church followed with a few remarks and prayer.

Mrs. Hubler presented the Sunday School work. Mrs. Martin followed with a paper on the evil effects of pool rooms on our young men which created much interest, several taking part in the discussion.

Progressive county work was ably presented by Mrs. J. W. Burns, followed by Mrs. Pearce who explained State plans and offered many valuable suggestions.

In the afternoon Mrs. Protzeller of Ft. Wayne read a paper on Pure Food Laws which was excellent. A motion was made that the paper be presented for publication.

Motion carried.

Mrs. Walter Burns read a paper on The Patriotism of Women. Is it Worthy of Expression at the Ballot Box? If any had doubts on the subject they surely should have been dispersed by Mrs. Burns' talk.

The Institute was then favored by a solo by Louella Youse, a wee tot of 5, who sang beautifully. The trend of current events were discussed with much interest by Rev. Martin. This was followed by a very interesting discussion of "How to make our Influence Felt in our Own Community?" Mrs. Lucy Youse opened the discussion with a few appropriate remarks. Rev. Robinson of Dixon, Ohio, followed with a talk on the situation in Kansas where he had been located. Father Conroy of St. Rose Church stated the position of the church on the Temperance question and told of great good being accomplished by the Total Abstinence Society of the Catholic Church. His remarks were listened to with marked attention and appreciation. Rev. Powers of the U. B. Church followed; he too bade us be of good cheer. Mrs. Gibson, superintendent of Sunday School work also gave us encouragement.

Mrs. Bertha Youse sang a solo and Mrs. J. B. Miller then gave a humorous reading in which "Samantha" convinces "Josiah" of the necessity of one standard for "Tirza Ann" and "Thos. Jefferson."

The necessary business was then transacted and the committee on resolutions made an excellent report.

On the second evening there were some fine musical numbers and a good address by Mrs. Rose Pearce, closing the most successful Institute ever held in Allen County.

Clay County Institute met in the First Christian Church at Brazil. Representatives from the three Unions in the county were present, earnest and enthusiastic.

Mrs. Elizabeth Haughton, leader, County President, Mrs. Dora Keith.

Mrs. Haughton gave helpful and interesting suggestions, and helped the different Unions with her words of encouragement and advise for future work.

The papers and short talks were all very helpful and interesting, especially the address given by Miss Fry of Clay City on "Our Sainted Leader." Having been a personal friend of Miss Frances Willard, she revealed Miss Willard's

beautiful character, and told of many circumstances in her life in such a manner as to completely captivate her audience.

The ministers of the different churches attended the Institute and expressed a desire to work with the Unions in their great work of reform.

Eight new members were received. Six subscriptions to the Union Signal. Twelve subscribers to the Crusader Monthly, and three to the Mothers' Magazine.

A splendid recital was given the last evening of the Institute, Mrs. Elizabeth Haughton closing the session with a short talk and prayer.

CAREY BARD,
Co. Sec. Pro-tem.

The Huntington County Institute was very helpful lead by the warm hearted Mrs. Pearce and every minute was enjoyed. Mrs. Pearce's address on the first evening called forth much compliments for her ability. Tuesday was mostly spent with the departments of work. Instruction and minute was enjoyed. Mrs. Pearce's address on attention fine. The Institute closed Tuesday evening with a matron's silver medal contest. Mrs. H. G. Smith of Huntington was awarded the prize.

Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, State President organized a Union of about ten members at North Madison, Jefferson County in September, 1905. Since the organization the Union has held nine regular business meetings, once a month. A public Union Temperance meeting conducted by Rev. T. A. Childs, pastor of the Baptist Church, one lecture "The Holy City" given by Prof. Bonnell of North Vernon, one silver medal oratorical contest and one meeting under the management of Miss Mayme Wray, superintendent of Contest Department, all of these meetings have been well attended and great interest manifested.

The Hamilton County Institute was held at Sheridan. Owing to the death of her mother, the leader Mrs. Stanley was not present. Although great disappointment was manifested as train after train arrived bringing no news from our expected leader, yet the women of the county arose to the occasion and the work of the Institute was taken up and carried forward in its regular order.

On the evening of the 17th a gold medal contest in oratory and a vocal silver medal contest was held. Mrs. Amia Northam of Sheridan won the gold medal prize and Mrs. Sydney Carey the silver.

Great interest in the W. C. T. U. work is being manifested in the county in both the local and county organizations and a great desire to learn the methods is shown by its many new members.

The Wells County Institute was held in the Baptist Church in Bluffton. Attendance from the several Unions of the county was very good. Mrs. Goodin, County President gave an encouraging report of the work in general.

Mrs. Rose Pearce, leader, was faithful in instructing, helpful in encouraging words, and by her hopeful outlook for the future of the work. She was handicapped in her lecture and we were disappointed more than pen can portray in not being able to get for her the hearing she should have had because of an Elks' minstrel which packed the opera house until standing room was at a premium. The young people and the voters that we hoped to hear Mrs. Pearce were at the show. Mrs. Pearce held the individual attention of her interested audience.

Several ministers were in attendance during the Institute, among them being the Christian minister, Rev. Harrington who in his talk on current events and their portent, gave no uncertain sound as to where he stood on this great question inasmuch that Mrs. Pearce had the honor of pinning on him the white ribbon as soon as he had finished his speech. He has only resided in Bluffton a few months and he said that shortly after he came here a brother minister told him he had best not antagonize the saloons too much or "you may have to move." He said "If that be so I am ready to move."

Rev. Martin of the Baptist Church also gave an address.

Rev. Galbraith was present throughout the session and proved himself not only a "minute man" but a man true to his conviction and to the principles of right.

Mrs. Walker talked on the Patriotism of Women is it Worthy of Expression at the Ballot Box? and we are quite sure if there were any disbelievers there they carried away an awful load of conviction if they were not converted.

Mr. Geo. Cotton who has earned the sobriquet "Temperance whirlwind" because when they are least expecting it he walks into some saloon and find minors there, or after "closing" hours and finds them open, whereupon he gives them a little taste of law, cheered us by his presence. This man is doing the cause untold good and to show their appreciation Wells County Unions are donating him money, and they also gave him ten dollars out of the County Treasury. He donned the white ribbon.

Glen Walmer won the grand gold medal.

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SCIENTIFIC TESTIMONY ON BEER

From Speech by Senator J. H. Gallinger, M. D.,
Congressional Record, Opinions of Leading Physicians.

The alarming growth of the use of beer among our people, and the spreading delusion among many who consider themselves temperate and sober, that the encouragement of beer drinking is an effective way of promoting the cause of temperance and of aiding to stamp out the demon rum, impelled the Toledo Blade to send a representative to a number of the leading physicians of Toledo to obtain their opinions as to the real damage which indulgence in malt liquors does the victim of that form of intemperance.

Every one is not only a gentleman of the highest character, but is a physician whose professional abilities have been severely tested, and received the stamp of the highest indorsement by the public and their professional brethren. More skillful physicians are not to be found anywhere. We have not selected those of known temperance principles. What they say of beer is not colored by any feeling for or against temperance, but it is the cold, bare experience of men of science who know whereof they speak.

A Beer Drinking City.

Toledo is essentially a beer drinking city. The German population is very large. Five of the largest breweries in the country are here. Probably more beer is drunk, in proportion to the population, than in any other city in the United States. The practice of these physicians is, therefore, largely among beer drinkers, and they have had abundant opportunities to know exactly its bearing on health and disease.

Every one bears testimony that no man can drink beer safely, that it is an injury to any one who uses it in any quantity, and that its effect on the general health of the country has been even worse than that of whisky. The indictment they with one accord present against beer drinking is simply terrible.

The devilish crushing a man in his long, winding arms, and sucking his blood from his mangled body, is not so frightful an assailant as this deadly but insidious enemy, which fastens itself upon its victim, and daily becomes more and more the wretched man's master, and finally dragging him to his grave at a time when other men are at their prime of mental and bodily vigor.

Beer Kills Quicker than Other Liquor.

Dr. S. H. Burgen, a practitioner 35 years, 28 in Toledo, says: "I think beer kills quicker than any other liquor. My attention was first called to its insidious effects when I began examining for life insurance. I passed as unusually good risks five Germans—young business men—who seemed in the best health, and to have superb constitutions. In a few years I was surprised to see the whole five drop off, one after another, with what ought to have been mild and easily curable diseases. On comparing my experience with that of other physicians I found they were all having similar luck with confirmed beer drinkers, and my practice since has heaped confirmation on confirmation.

"The first organ to be attacked is the kidneys; the liver soon sympathizes, and then comes, most frequently, dropsy or Bright's disease, both certain to end fatally. Any physician who cares to take the time will tell you that among the dreadful results of beer drinking are lockjaw and erysipelas, and that the beer drinker seems incapable of recovering from mild disorders and injuries not usually regarded of a grave character. Pneumonia, pleurisy, fevers, etc., seem to have a first mortgage on him, which they foreclose remorselessly at an early opportunity.

Beer Worse Than Whisky.

"The beer drinker is much worse off than the whisky drinker, who seems to have more elasticity and reserve power. He will even have delirium tremens, but after the fit is gone you will sometimes find good material to work upon. Good management may bring him around all right. But when a beer drinker gets into trouble it seems almost as if you have to recreate the man before you can do anything for him. I have talked this for years, and have had abundance of living and dead instances around me to support my opinions."

Beer Drinking Shortens Life.

Dr. S. S. Lungren, a leading homeopathic physician and surgeon, has practiced in Toledo 25 years: "It is difficult to find any part of the confirmed beer drinker's machinery that is doing its work as it should. This why their life cords snap off like glass rods when disease or accident gives them a little blow. Beer drinking shortens life. This is not a mere opinion; it is a well settled, recognized fact. Physicians and insurance companies accept this as unquestionably as any other undisputed fact of science. The great English physicians decide that the heart's action is increased 13 per cent in its efforts to throw off alcohol introduced into the circulation. The result is easily figured out. The natural pulse beat is, say, 76 per minute. If we multiply this by 60 minutes in an hour, and 24 hours in a day, and add 13 per cent, we find that the heart has been compelled to do an extra work during that time in throwing off the burden of a few drinks (4.8 ounces of alcohol) equal to 15.5 tons lifted one foot high."

Life Insurance Companies.

"The life insurance companies make a business of estimating men's lives, and can only make money by making correct estimates of whatever influences life. Here is a table they use in calculating how long a normal, healthy man will probably live after a given age.

Age	Expectancy.	Age	Expectancy.
20 years...	41.5 years	50 years...	20.2 years
30 years...	34.4 years	60 years...	13.8 years
40 years...	28.3 years	65 years...	11 years

"Now they expect a man otherwise healthy, who is addicted to beer, will have his life shortened from 40 to 60 per cent. For instance, if he is 20 years old and does not drink beer, he may reasonably expect to reach the age of 61. If he is a beer drinker, he will probably not live to be over 40 or 45, and so on."

Beer Drinking and Longevity.

The President of the Connecticut Mutual life Insurance Company—one of the oldest in the country—has for years been investigating the relation of beer drinking to longevity; or otherwise, whether beer drinkers are desirous risks to a life insurance company.

He declared, as the result of a series of observations carried on among a selected group of persons who were habitual drinkers of beer that although for two or three years there was nothing remarkable, yet presently death began to strike and then the mortality became astounding and uniform in its manifestations. There was no mistaking it; the history was almost invariable; robust, apparent health, full muscles, a fair outside, increasing weight, florid faces; then a touch of cold or a sniff of malaria, and instantly some acute disease, with almost invariable typhoid symptoms, was in violent action, and ten days or less ended it. It was as if the system had been kept fair on the outside, while within it was eaten to a shell, and at the first touch of disease there was utter collapse, every fiber was poisoned and weak. And this in its main features, varying in degree, has been his observations in beer drinking everywhere. It is peculiarly deceptive at first; it is thoroughly destructive at the last.

Beer Drinkers Unpromising Patients.

Dr. J. T. Woods: "That confirmed beer drinkers are especially unpromising patients, all practical surgeons agree."

Dr. S. S. Lungren: "Alcohol invites attacks of disease, and makes recovery from any attack or injury difficult."

Dr. C. A. Kirkley: "Sickness is always more fatal in beer drinkers, and serious accidents are usually fatal to them."

Dr. S. H. Burgen: "Beer drinkers are absolutely the most dangerous class of subjects a surgeon can operate on. Insignificant scratches are liable to develop a long train of dangerous troubles. Sometimes delirium tremens results from a small hurt. It is dangerous for a beer drinker to even cut his finger. All surgeons hesitate to perform operations on a beer drinker that they would undertake with the greatest confidence on anyone else."

"A Little Circle of Doctors."

Dr. S. S. Thorne: "If you could drop into a little circle of doctors, when they are having a quiet, professional chat, you would hear enough

in a few minutes to terrify you as to the work of beer. One will say, 'What's become of So-and-So? I haven't seen him around lately?' 'Oh, he's dead.' 'Dead! What was the matter?' 'Beer.' Another will say, 'I've just come from Blank's. I am afraid its about my last call on him, poor fellow.' 'What's the trouble?' 'Oh, he's been a regular beer drinker for years.' A third will remark how ——— has just gone out like a candle in a draft of wind. 'Beer' is the reason given. And so on, till half a dozen physicians have mentioned five recent cases where apparently strong, hearty men, at a time of life when they should be in their prime, have suddenly dropped into the grave. To say there are habitual beer drinkers is sufficient explanation to any physician."

Beer Drinking Produces Rheumatism.

Dr. W. T. Ridenour: "Beer drinking produces rheumatism by producing chronic congestion and ultimately degeneration of the liver, thus interfering with the function by which the blood is elaborated and fitted for the sustenance of the body."

Dr. S. H. Burgen: "All beer drinkers have rheumatism, more or less, and no one can recover from it as long as he drinks beer. Notice how a beer drinker walks about stiff on his heels, without any of the natural elasticity and spring from the toes and ball of the foot that a healthy man should have. That is because the beer increases the lithia deposits about the smaller joints."

Beer Cripples the Liver.

Dr. S. H. Burgen: "The first effect on the liver is to congest and enlarge it. Then follows a low grade of inflammation and subsequent contraction of capsules, producing 'hob-nailed' or drunkard's liver, the surface covered with little lumps that look like nail heads on the soles of shoes. This develops dropsy. The congestion of the liver clogs up all the springs of the body, and makes all sorts of exertion as difficult and labored as it would be to run a clock, the wheels of which were covered with dirt and gum."

Liable to Die of Pneumonia.

Dr. W. T. Ridenour: "Beer drinkers are peculiarly liable to die of pneumonia. Their vital power of resistance, is so lowered that they are liable to drop off from any form of acute disease, such as fevers, pneumonia, etc. As a rule when a beer drinker takes the pneumonia he dies."

"My first patient was a saloon keeper, as fine a looking man physically as I had ever seen—tall, well built, about thirty-five, with clear eyes, florid complexion, muscles well developed. He had an attack of pneumonia in the lower lobe of the right lung, a simple, well-defined case, which I regarded very hopefully. Doctors are confident of saving nineteen out of twenty such cases. I told my partner so in the evening. To my surprise he said quietly he will die. I asked what made him think so. 'He is a beer drinker,' he answered. My patient began to recover from the attack on the lower lobe. Suddenly the disease lighted up in the middle lobe. Finally it attacked the other lung, and my patient succumbed."

Dropsy Induced by Beer Drinking.

Dr. M. H. Parmelee, physician and surgeon twelve years in Toledo, says: "The majority of saloon keepers die from dropsy, arising from kidney and liver diseases, induced by beer drinking. My experience has been that saloon keepers and men working around breweries are very liable to these diseases. When one of those apparently stalwart, beery fellows is attacked by a disorder that would not be regarded as at all dangerous in a person of ordinary constitution, or even a delicate, weakly child or woman, he is liable to drop off like an over-ripe apple from a tree. You are never sure of him a minute. He may not be dangerously sick today, and tomorrow be in his shroud. Most physicians, like myself, dread being called upon to take charge of the sick man who is an habitual beer drinker. The form of Bright's disease known as the swollen or large white kidney is much more frequent among beer drinkers than any other class of people."

Insanity Caused by Beer Drinking.

Dr. S. S. Lungren: "The brain and its membranes suffer severely, and after irritation and inflammation comes dullness and stupidity. There is no question in my mind that many brain diseases and cases of insanity are caused by excessive beer drinking."

Dr. C. A. Kirkley: "Under its influence the mental powers are more inactive than the physical. There is hardly a single cause that operates more powerfully in the production of in-

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W. C. T. U. DAYS, AUGUST 15 TO 16.

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MEDAL CONTEST DEPARTMENT.

Dear Superintendents—I am sure you will understand that the summer months is the time for us to push the work in our department, and are doing all you can in the many avenues open to us. The Fourth of July, Picnics, Fairs, Summer Assemblies, Old Settlers' Reunions, Chautauquas, etc. If a sufficient number of medal holders can not be secured within your own county, let two or more counties join together, in forming classes for high grade medal, thus giving your contestants the opportunity to complete the course and receive their diplomas.

It is none too early to plan for high grade contests at county conventions.

We are very much encouraged with the work being done over the State this year, and hope to be able to bring a much better report to you in October, than last year.

Thanking you for your co-operation, I am,
Yours for contests,

MRS. JULIA OVERMAN,
State Supt.

LITERATURE.

Dear County President:—The year is slipping away and many of you have no Superintendent of Literature of course, if you live in a county where no one can read, you need none, otherwise a Superintendent of Literature is a necessity.

And now just a word to the Superintendents already appointed: The report blanks sent you from time to time are not souvenirs. Please do not regard them as such, but see that they are returned to me each quarter.

Literature and Franchise Day will soon be here. I hope you are planning great things for August 6th.

Dear ones, let us do our duty and do it promptly. Since the brewers have declared for temperance, it behooves us to make haste quickly if we would even help in this great cause.

Lovingly yours,

RETTA JONES,
State Superintendent,
Alexandria, Ind.

SUPERINTENDENTS' CONFERENCE.

The third section of the Superintendents of Marion County will be held Tuesday, June 19th at the Hyde Park Methodist Church. This will be an all day session, followed by an excellent program in the evening, addressed by Mrs. McWhirter. The departments represented are "Jail and Prison," "Purity in Literature and Art," "Fairs," "Railroad Work," "Mercy," "Household Economics" and "Loyal Temperance Legion." A good attendance is desired.

BUSINESS PROPOSITION.

"Shut the saloons and breweries and you would throw a great many men out of employment!" says advocates of license. What are the facts: There is no employment in the land that gives work to so small a number, for the capital invested, as that of the breweries and distilleries. Here is an illustration of what we mean: In Rochester, N. Y., the breweries have invested \$6,455,000; they employ 434 men, and pay them \$381,000 a year in wages. But the city clothing manufacturers have \$6,150,000 invested, and they employ 3,132 people and pay them \$1,561,000 a year in wages. The boot and the shoe factories have invested a capital of \$3,281,000, employ 4,863 people, and pay them each year in wages \$2,031,000. The capital of the shoe and clothing business is one and one-half times greater, only, than that of the beer houses; but they employ 7,995 men against 434 for the breweries. If the breweries did not exist in Rochester the two other establishments, from increased sales, could easily find employment for the dismissed workmen of the breweries. They also pay \$3,592,000 in wages, while the breweries pay \$381,000. Every brewery, every distillery and every saloon in America closed, there would be entailed no hardship for the workman, for other industries would at once require the dismissed force to supply their extra demands.

CURE FOR HARD TIMES.

By James B. Dunn.

Three Beers a Day, or

1 Barrel of flour,
50 Pounds of sugar,
20 Pounds of corn starch,
10 Pounds of macaroni,
10 Quarts of beans,
4 Twelve-pound hams,
1 Bushel of sweet potatoes,
3 Bushels of Irish potatoes,
10 Pounds of coffee,
10 Pounds of rasins,
10 Pounds of rice,
20 Pounds of crackers,
100 Bars of soap,
3 Twelve-pound turkeys,
5 Quarts of cranberries,
10 Bunches of celery,
10 Pounds of prunes,
4 Dozen oranges,
10 Pounds of mixed nuts,
Four big barrels heaped up! and in the bottom of the last barrel, a purse with two pockets. In one pocket a five dollar gold piece marked a "dress for mother"; in the other pocket a ten dollar bill, marked "to buy shoes for the children."

Look at that list!

That's what "Three Beers" a day for a year would buy.

(Cut out the above and tack it upon the wall or put it on edge of a much used mirror. It should be read over and over again.)—Editor.

Palmer Union. These women are busy folks, still they have time to do temperance work. Last September they had a membership of eighteen and now have a paid up list of fifty and are striving to have seventy-five by Convention.

The County Executive Union met Monday afternoon, June 11th with Mrs. Martha Gipe. Much of interest was discussed. The contest held during Prohibition convention netted the county W. C. T. U. a snug little sum. Almost \$10.00.

July 1st, one of the Red Letter Days will be observed by a picnic, July 20th, Friday, and it is urged that all come and have a good time. The picnic will be held in Brookside Park, and each one will be expected to bring a well filled basket, and have men folks out to enjoy the outing and dinner at 6:00 p. m. A good time is assured to all who come.

Delaware County Institute met the 5th of June in Friends Church at Muncie.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, leader; county president, Mrs. Jester of Eaton.

The four Unions of the county were well represented.

The papers and short talks were right to the point. While our gifted leader followed each topic with helpful words dwelling on our State and National plans.

Rev. Hiatt, pastor of Friends Church, spoke on the trend of current events and their portent.

Rev Hastings, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church spoke from "Wine is a mocker," using a chart. Both talks were highly appreciated by the White Ribboners.

At the noon hour all enjoyed a picnic dinner at the church.

Thirteen subscriptions were obtained for the American Motherhood, four for the Union Signal and some for the Young Crusader.

The ladies of Eaton W. C. T. U. held a reception for Mrs. Stanley on the afternoon of the 4th, at the home of their President, Mrs. Carmichael, and in the evening Mrs. Stanley lectured to an appreciative audience while the rain fell.

SENATOR BEVERIDGE FAVORS MORMON SMOOT. HELP IS NEEDED FROM INDIANA MEN.

The fight for the unseating of Reed Smoot in the U. S. Senate is waxing hotter. The report of the Committee on Privileges and Elections was presented to the Senate June 12, 7 to 5 voting for his exclusion. Five Republican Senators voted to retain him, viz: Knox (Pa.), Foraker (O.), Dillingham (Vt.), Hopkins (Ill.), Beveridge (Ind.). The only two Republicans on the committee voting against him were Burrow (Mich.), chairman, and Dolliver (Ia.). Every Democratic member voted to exclude him. The Republicans are standing for the Mormon hierarchy, by so doing the three Mormon States will be controlled politically for the hierarchy for the Republican party. The sacredness of the home is thus bartered! It is awful! Urge our good men to write a brief letter or telegraph to our two Senators at once. Our men are opposed to the retention of a Mormon apostle in the highest legislative body in our Nation. A Senator from a Western State was heard to remark: "Oh, well, it is only a lot of old women who are making this fuss, and what does it matter?" It would not matter much if our men would take the trouble to write a few letters.

In a recent notable sermon on "Why the Masses in New York are Poor," the Rev. Dr. Madison C. Peters, said: "It is estimated that New York spends \$1,000,000 a day for liquor, most of it bad, which amounts to more than half as much as the amount required to run the entire Government of the United States. The annual drink bill of New York is more than the entire amount received for tariff. The interest on the city's annual drink bill at 4 per cent is nearly equal to the income of all the universities and colleges in the United States.

The policy of the municipal corporations anointing the bill boards with posters proclaiming the evils of the use of drink is spreading throughout England where there are now more than ninety cities following that policy. In some cases, the expense has been borne by local temperance organizations or individuals, but generally by the municipality itself. In some cases, the corporation attorneys have declared that the cities have no statutory powers to appropriate money for such purposes, but the policy has generally been endorsed as a sanitary measure.

Indiana has added eleven new prohibition townships to her territory and has closed out 449 saloons since May 1. Steuben County has been added to the list of three totally prohibition counties.

Some people think that you can improve an iniquity by washing it. Dr. Herrick Johnson punctured this sophism: "Better saloons is better badness, improved vice, a moral contradiction."

The new town of Gary, Lake County, Indiana, planted by the steel trust and to contain 100,000 inhabitants will have no saloons, so it is announced. At least the steel men will do all in their power to prevent it. Saloons depreciate the value of labor just as they decrease the value of property, the standard of manhood, the standard of chastity and the standard of everything else worth while.

SCIENTIFIC TESTIMONY ON BEER.

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sanity; and not only that, but it excites the action of other causes that may be present."

Bright's Disease Due to Beer.

Dr. W. T. Ridenous: "I have no doubt the rapid spread of Bright's disease is largely due to beer drinking. I have always believed that Bayard Taylor fell a victim to the German beer that he praised so highly. He died of Bright's disease at 50, when he should have lived, with his constitution, to a ripe old age. He went just as beer drinkers are going all the time and everywhere."

Dr. C. A. Kirkley: "I believe that forty-nine out of fifty cases of chronic Bright's disease are directly produced by it. I have never met with a case in which the patient has not been intemperate to a greater or less degree. The proportion may be too high, but that is certainly my experience. Mr. Christian, a celebrated author, states that three-fourths to four-fifths of the cases met with in Edinburg were in habitual drunkards."

An Artificial Prop.

Dr. C. A. Kirkley, in constant practice in Toledo 15 years, says: "I do not believe the healthy organism needs an artificial prop to sustain it. Depression below the standard health always follows just in proportion as the system is stimulated above that standard. Every physician is familiar with cases in which nervous wear and tear in an active life has been kept up by stimulants without apparent loss of power for years. Bodily and mental vigor, however, suddenly fail. The repeated application of the stimulus that the exertion might be prolonged has really expended the power of the nervous system, and prepared him for more complete prostration. The temporary advantage was purchased at a great cost. The greater the expenditure of nervous power by the use of stimulants, the more complete the exhaustion."

Children of Drunkards—Idiots.

Dr. C. A. Kirkley: "Plutarch says, 'One drunkard begets another,' and Aristotle, 'Drunken women bring forth children like unto themselves.' A report was made to the legislature of Massachusetts, I think by Dr. Howe, on idiocy. He had learned the habits of the parents of 300 idiots, and 145, nearly half, are reported as known to be habitual drunkards, showing the enfeebled constitution of the children of drunkards. I have in mind an instance where children born to the mother, begotten when the father was intoxicated, all died within eight months of birth. They would have recovered, had they not had the enfeebled constitution inherited from their intemperate father. Instances are recorded where both parents were intoxicated at the time of conception, and the result was an idiot. There is not a doubt but that inebriety not only makes more destructive whatever taint may exist, but impairs the health and natural vigor for remote generations."

"A Crop of Lunatics."

Dr. A. McFarland: "That 'the iniquities of the father are visited upon the children,' that 'the fathers have eaten sour grapes and the children's teeth are set on edge,' are truths that no Scripture is needed to teach. In other words, he who sins through physical excess does not do half the harm to himself that he does to the inheritors of his blood. The penalty must be paid as sure as there is seed time and harvest."

"It is your stout old hero, who goes to bed every night with liquor enough under his bed to fuddle the brain of a half dozen ordinary men, and yet live out his three-score and ten, that will be found at the head of the stock that pour into the world, generation after generation, such a crop of lunatics, epileptics, eccentrics, and inebriates as we often see. The impunity with which one so constituted will violate all physical law gets its set-off in a succeeding generation, when the great harvest begins."

Only One Safe Course.

Dr. J. T. Wood: "That beer is foreign to nature's demand is plainly evident. The whole organism at once sets about its removal. Every channel through which it can be got rid of is brought into play, and does not cease until the last trace is gone. Reaching a certain end depends only on the frequency of repetition. The whole is made up of the parts; every drink counts one. These 'ones' added together make the wreck; to secure this result it is only necessary to make the single numbers sufficient. Each leaves its footprints in one way or another; and the idea that, because you stop before you stagger, the system takes no note of the damaging material you put into it is a ruinous delusion."

Dr. S. H. Burgen: "I have told you the frozen truth—cold, calm, scientific facts, such as the profession everywhere recognizes as absolute truths. I do not regard beer drinking as safe for any one. It is a dangerous, aggressive evil that no one can tamper with with any safety to himself. There is only one safe course, and that is to let it alone entirely."

ANTI-NARCOTIC DEPARTMENT, NATIONAL W. C. T. U.

Mrs. E. B. Ingalls, Supt. Press Clippings.

Surgeons of the Chicago and Northwestern railroad refuse applicants for positions who are cigarette smokers, on the ground that cigarette smokers can not be relied upon in emergencies.

Chicago & Alton railroad bars cigarette smokers from their employ.

Indiana Supreme Court declares Anti-Cigarette law valid. Court interprets law as meaning that it is illegal to sell cigarettes in Indiana or keep them for sale, to smoke them or bring them into the State for sale, but it is not illegal to smoke them, or bring them into the State.—It is not proposed to have a federal law that will make it an offense to ship cigarettes into Indiana. In other words, Congress will be asked to enact a law that would prohibit any firm or corporation from shipping into any State any product that is prohibited from being sold by a State law.

Massachusetts: Anti-Cigarette bill killed in Senate by vote of 21 to 13. Cigarette smoking among boys increasing in Holyoke. Combined membership of Anti-Cigarette Leagues in three public schools in Boston is 1200. The press has given such publicity to facts regarding alarming growth of the cigarette evil among school children that store keepers are becoming afraid to violate the law regarding sale of cigarettes to minors in Malden. Malden, Melrose, Medford and nearby communities have started a crusade against the cigarette. Results good so far.—School officials of Everett sent circular letters to each school in city asking information regarding the use of cigarettes by school children. Reports show habit seems to be more prevalent in 7th grade, where average boy is only eleven. Teachers report that of smokers none ranked excellent in studies; 2 ranked good; 12 fair; 26 poor. Of non-smokers, 15 ranked excellent; 14 good; 11 fair, and not one as poor. A percentage of 31 smokers out of 40 had failed of promotion one or more times. Words used to describe smokers were "undersized, wizened, unkempt, weak, often sick, lazy, nervous." Non-smokers, described as "sturdy, well-kept, strong, well-developed, energetic" etc. Morally—smokers were frequently called "liars, cowards, truants." Non-smokers—not one was classed poor.

New York: Bill introduced in Legislature to prohibit manufacture and sale of cigarettes. A decided stand against the use of tobacco was taken by ministers of East Conference (Methodist Episcopal). Of forty students recently dropped from Syracuse University for low standard of work, 74 per cent was traceable to the use of cigarettes. Boy of 17 became crazy from use of cigarettes. Gen. Geo. W. Wingate, president of Public Schools Athletic League of New York, in circular sent to boys of the city schools, advises those who wish to become athletes not to smoke cigarettes. W. C. T. U. of Caledonia gave prize to young person writing best essay on "Cigarettes."

Pennsylvania: A street car company in Philadelphia is reported to have issued an order that passengers carrying cigars or cigarettes in their pockets must surrender them to conductors upon entering cars, in compliance with a direction from the Board of Health. For the purpose of arousing public sentiment on the cigarette evil, a mass meeting was held under the auspices of twenty Philadelphia clubs. Cigarette smoking by boys prohibited in station or on grounds of Philadelphia & Reading railroad. Anti-Cigarette League of Beaver Brook will organize a baseball team. Board of Control of Allentown sent notice to all tobacco dealers warning them against selling cigarettes to school boys.

California: Pastors of the various churches in Alameda are aiding in the Anti-Cigarette crusade. At a meeting of the Church Federation Council of Los Angeles, the cigarette habit was discussed and plans inaugurated for anti-cigarette campaign, later. As result so far of anti-cigarette campaign, 5,000 boys have joined Los Angeles Anti-Cigarette League.

Kansas: City council of Hutchinson, at request of school board, passed an ordinance prohibiting the sale of tobacco, cigarettes, cigars or any kind of narcotics to persons under 16 years of age. This will make it possible for police officers to handle the matter through the local courts.

Louisiana: President E. L. Stephens, of the Southwestern Louisiana Industrial Institute, has announced to the students that hereafter the use of tobacco on or off the grounds will be strictly prohibited.

Nebraska: Supreme Court decided Anti-Cigarette law constitutional. Court rules that rolling of cigarettes by individuals for their own use is not "manufacturing."

Ohio: Users of tobacco have been barred from athletic association of High School of Wellsville. Cigarettes are under ban at Stark County court house.

Colorado: Anti-Cigarette League of Colorado Springs has a membership of 150.

Illinois: Potomac has an Anti-Cigarette League. Members wear badges.

Texas: Policemen of Fort Worth are barred from use of cigarettes.

Japan: Viscount Hayasbi says the Japanese police confiscate the "smoking instruments" of any youth under twenty, as well as his supply of tobacco.

England: Two bills prohibiting the sale of tobacco and cigarettes to persons under sixteen presented in Parliament. One prepared by Anti-Cigarette League, the other by Dr. McNamara, a well-known reformer.

Drugs.

Twenty per cent of cocaine manufactured in this country is used illegitimately, says Wm. J. Schieffelin, drug manufacturer and importer of New York.

Pontiac, Mich.: An alarming number of cocaine fiends here.

Washington, Penn.: Cocaine used here to great extent.

Notes.

Christian smokers are doing more harm to our boys than any other element. I wish an arrest of thought might come to the church member who is a user of tobacco. Will you not make an effort along this line?

MRS. E. B. INGALLS,
5250 Westminister Place,
St. Louis, Mo.

KIPLING CONVINCED.

In his "American Notes," page 121, Rudyard Kipling, whose stories and poems are read by all the English-speaking world, tells how, in a concert hall in the city of Buffalo, he saw two young men get two girls drunk and then lead them down a dark street. Mr. Kipling has not been a total abstainer not having his writings commended temperance, but of that scene he writes:

"Then rescanting previous opinions, I became a prohibitionist. Better it is that a man should go without his beer in public places, and content himself with swearing at the narrow-mindedness of the majority; better it is to poison the inside with very vile temperance drinks, and to buy lager furtively at back doors than to bring temptation to the lips of young fools such as the four I had seen. I understand now why the preachers rage against drink. I have said, 'There is no harm in it, taken moderately,' and yet my own demand for beer helped directly to see these two girls reeling down the dark street to—God alone knows what end. If liquor is worth drinking, it is worth taking a little trouble to come at—such as a man will undergo to compass his own desires. It is not good that we should let it lie before the eyes of children, and I have been a fool in writing to the contrary."—Ex.

Mrs. Mary E. Balch Writes:—Mr. James H. Beauchamp, lawyer, scholar and christian gentleman, passed away at his home in Lexington after a long and painful illness. While Mr. Beauchamp was absorbed in his profession, he took deep interest in the work of his distinguished wife, Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp and they worked together for the building up of Christ's kingdom.

The Kentucky W. C. T. U. mourns the loss of a well beloved and honored friend and brother and what human love and sympathy can give in this hour of bereavement is heartily bestowed on our sorrowing President.

The Message readers love Mrs. Beauchamp and will be saddened to know of the sorrow that has come to her. We extend sympathy.

When the Secretary of the Treasury of England, in reading his report the other day, stated that one contributing cause to the low finances of the nation was an enormous decrease in revenues was caused by a very great falling off in the consumption of liquors in England, the British House of Commons rose to its feet and cheered. The Anglo-Saxon race is setting its face steadily toward the port of a temperance race, and the temperance movement is gathering force under the White Man's flag all over the world.—Ex.

The Boston College of Physicians and Surgeons has engaged Dr. T. D. Carothers, who has made a special study of the effects of liquor upon the human system for many years, to deliver a systematic course of lectures upon the subject before the students. The Physicians are finding out that whisky is one of the great primary causes of disease.—Ex.

The American Medical Association, at its recent meeting in June in Boston, gave some definite and careful consideration to the subject of "No Alcohol in Medicine."

Mrs. Martha M. Allen, our National Superintendent of Medical Temperance was invited by the association to participate in the discussion on alcohol. Mrs. Allen read an able and comprehensive paper. This is a recognition of the great work of Mrs. Allen for no alcohol in medicine by the greatest body of American physicians. Her book should be in the homes of all persons interested in any phase of medical temperance.

FIELD NEWS

LaPorte Union. We are very sorry that we have no Institute report to give our county, having failed for two years to hold these helpful and instructive sessions.

The program given by the Superintendents of Social Purity and Mothers' Meetings was very interesting and encouraging.

A program for the assembly meeting at Pine Lake Chautauqua, is also being arranged.

Chapin Park Union, South Bend, observed Flower Mission Day, glimpses of the life of Jennie Cassady were given and a number of bouquets tied with white ribbon and text cards were distributed at the different hospitals.

Lafayette Union. At a farewell function for Mrs. S. E. Edgerton, who returns for her residence at Marion, the Womans Christian Temperance Union gave a delightful lawn party at the home of William P. Jester, Saturday evening which was largely attended.

The lawn was prettily illuminated with Japanese lanterns and a huge searchlight was also used during the evening. Dainty refreshments were served.

Mrs. Edgerton has been one of the leading members of the W. C. T. U., was overwhelmed when Miss Eliza Baker, president of the county organization, presented her with a handsome rocker in behalf of the W. C. T. U.. It was with difficulty that she acknowledged the gift. Mrs. Edgerton has made many friends during her stay in West Lafayette who will regret to learn of her departure.

Indianapolis Meridian W. C. T. U. has planned to hold a picnic, Wednesday, June 13th at Brookside park. This to take place of regular meeting. An interesting program has been planned. Every one is expected to bring a basket of good things to eat for their family as the men are invited out to supper. Each one must bring their own dishes and a good time is assured for all. Come with your baskets well filled and have a high old time.

All friends are invited.

MRS. NETTIE H. COHEA.

Mrs. Goodacre reorganized Carroll County. The following officers were elected: Mrs. A. Hansen of Russiaville, Box 40, R. F. D. 1, County President; Mrs. E. Johnston, Burlington, Cor. Secretary; Miss Myrtle Snell, Deer Creek, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Clara Dunkin, Flora, County Treasurer.

The Gibson County Institute was held in the First M. E. Church, Princeton. Our State President, Mrs. Vayhinger leader. The first morning the county organization was effected bringing Gibson into line.

The program was carried out, each member having a carefully prepared paper on the subject given her. Mrs. Vayhinger requested the institute to vote to have the papers printed, which is sufficient comment.

The editors of the daily papers kindly printed the reports of the proceedings as furnished. Two of the pastors of the city churches gave addresses which were much appreciated.

Mrs. Vayhinger gave an address on Wednesday night on the "Gold and Silver of the World Belong to God," telling us how much of it is worse than wasted on liquor and tobacco, comparing the amounts contributed to the church and to missions in a year with what is spent for the former, to the shame of Christians. Others beside White Ribboners thought the address grand.

A medal contest was held Thursday night with success and we hope a stimulant to our L. T. Ls'. All felt the time given to the Institute well spent.

A few weeks before the Institute the Princeton Union sent out members two and two to the neighboring towns as advance agents to prepare the way for the coming of our State President with the result that she organized two Unions, Hazleton and Francisca, and stirred others so we hope to get them into the good work by and by. At Oakland City the superintendent of schools invited Mrs. Vayhinger to address the pupils and he brought teachers and pupils till the largest room in the high school would hold no more and they had an enthusiastic time.

The Carmel Union held a Mothers' Meeting at the Methodist Church. A good audience of mothers were present and heard with much interest an address delivered by Mrs. Gipe of Indianapolis.

Her advice and helpful suggestions to mothers are well worth hearing and heeding.

Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

Miss Sarah D. Ulmer, a graduate of the Northwestern University, who has been a teacher of Huntington has accepted the position of teacher of elocution at Taylor University at Upland, Ind.

Miss Ulmer is an active White Ribboner, at present, superintendent of oratorical contest department of Huntington County, where much effective work is done. She is the daughter of one of Indiana's most honorable and worthy citizen.

Deer Creek—A good strong W. C. T. U. was organized at Deer Creek, Carroll County by Mrs. H. Goodacre. The following officers were appointed: Mrs. Minnie Cook, Camden, President; Mrs. Elizabeth McClosky, Camden, Vice President; Mrs. Emma McClary, Deer Creek, Secretary; Mrs. Beckett, Deer Creek, Treasurer; Miss Snell, Deer Creek, Corresponding Secretary.

The Evansville W. C. T. U. is furnishing a bright spot in that rum cursed city. At Evans Hall they have fitted up two beautiful large front rooms, one as a rest room with piano, couch and pillows, rockers, writing desk, books, papers and magazines; the other, a lunch room where one may get a good lunch at noon or evening for 15c. They are patronized by young boys who are in offices and after lunch they spend their noon hour sitting in front of the cheerful grate reading a good book or magazine, and by teachers and office girls who find it a pleasant place to rest after lunch.

An Oratorical Contest for a gold medal was held in the M. E. Church at Moores Hill on May 22d. A class of seven young people from Ohio and Moores Hill. This is the first contest of this class held in the county.

The Guilford W. C. T. U. held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Bessie Moodey Templeton, Thursday, April 12th. Alta K. Hansell, delegate to Cochran Institute, March 21 and 22, gave a very interesting report of the meeting. The Union will meet the second Thursday in May with Mrs. Templeton. The Guilford W. C. T. U. with the aid of the children rendered an excellent program, Sunday evening, April 1st in memory of Frances Willard. The main features of the program were an address by Mrs. Jennie Ward and a 5 minutes talk by Mrs. C. P. Ward. Mrs. Ward is ex-President of the Union an efficient worker and is to be highly praised for the noble thoughts given in her address. C. P. Ward is an able speaker and not only talks for temperance but votes for it. He is an honorary member of the Union. The Union sent an offering of \$2.00 for the Memorial Fund.

Keystone at a silver oratorical contest, for the L. T. L. medal. Six of the senior girls were in the contest and each did well. The medal was won by Miss Pauline Wooton, age 13 years. The title of the recitation was "Anna's Tears."

A book was awarded to each of the contestants not receiving the medal. Receipts were \$9.05.

Our L. T. L. membership now numbers sixty and we expect to hold contests until each class has had a chance to win.

In the last two months our local W. C. T. U. has lost the following members by moving:

Our President, Mrs. F. Green, moved to Red Key, Ind.; Mrs. Sarah Thomas, moved to Warren, Ind.; Mrs. Mary Borders, moved to Milton, Ind.; Mrs. Stella Albertson, moved to Mattoon, Mich.; Mrs. Mary Barner, moved to Montpelier, Ind.; Mrs. Nellie Edwards and Mrs. Stella Thomas, each moved to the country.

We elected Mrs. Elva England to fill out the unexpired term of President, and she is proving a most efficient officer.

We hold our meetings the second and fourth Fridays of each month, and although we have lost a number of our members our Union is still flourishing and able to do some good work.

A Grand Gold Medal contest will be held at this place, June 12th.

Mrs. Sabrinna Black will go as delegate from our Union to the State L. T. L. convention at Kokomo, June 26, 27 and 28.

Yours in the work,

MRS. ELVA ENGLAND,

Pres. W. C. T. U.

MRS. O. E. HAGLER,

Cor. Sec. W. C. T. U.

Dearborn County has recently had two Grand Gold Medal contests. Miss Ruth Miller of College Corner, O., and Alma Rynerson of Moores Hill, Ind. were awarded the medals.

Union County Institute was held in the Christian Church at Liberty. Leader, Mrs. Stanley, State vice president. Able discussion along different lines of our work was very interesting, followed by some very good papers read, one written by Miss Anna Buck of College Corner Union on the subject "What our local Unions can do," was especially good. Several subscriptions for our papers were taken and on Friday evening a Gold Medal contest was held which would have been a grand success if a heavy storm had not threatened just at the right time to keep people away. As it was we did well, so did the contestants. The Medal was awarded to Miss Faith Gordan of Liberty.

Steuben County Institute held at Hamilton, Mrs. Rose Pearce presiding. It was one of the best institutes we have had in the county for years.

Much credit is due the Hamilton Union and our loved county president, Mrs. Willenner, for the careful preparation made for the meeting and the earnestness with which they laid hold of the work.

It is a new Union, but it shows energy and enterprise very commendable. Mrs. Chauncy Avery is their able president. Mrs. Elma Baker was elected county treasurer to fill the vacancy left by resignation of Mrs. Alma Shaw whose removal from our county is a loss we can ill afford.

Mrs. Pearce's lecture on Tuesday night was well attended, both by men and women, and she gave us all something to think about.

The contest on Friday night was well planned and showed much ability and industry on the part of those in charge as well as those who took part. Several ministers were on the program and instead of simply giving us compliments, gave us good, strong talks. Several not on the program spoke words of encouragement and cheer. I think the delegates left the institute with a fine opinion of the Hamilton Union and with new courage for the work.

Keystone. A very delightful surprise party was given Mrs. M. F. Green by the members of the local W. C. T. U. before her departure for her home near Red Key.

The ladies assembled about dusk and found Mrs. Green resting after a busy day of packing, and although she was greatly surprised she received her guests in her usual gracious, cordial manner.

Mrs. Green had served as President for the Keystone W. C. T. U. since its organization in November, 1904, and during that time had greatly endeared herself to the members as well as the entire community.

As a token of love and respect the W. C. T. U. presented Mrs. Green with a set of beautiful Haviland china cups and saucers, after which the evening was spent with conversation and music. Dainty refreshments were served and an enjoyable evening spent with Rev. and Mrs. Green and family.

MARION COUNTY.

Mapleton and Frances E. Willard Unions observed Flower Mission Day, Saturday afternoon, by going to the work house; 175 bouquets with scripture texts attached were distributed to the prisoners. Captain Hart of the American Volunteers led in prayer, followed by scripture reading by Miss Leck and a beautiful solo by Mrs. Foster of Mapleton Union. Mrs. L. E. Scott explained to the prisoners the meaning of our Flower Mission Day and the men thoroughly enjoyed their flowers, as attested by the fact of them wearing them when Mother Scott went out the next day. The singing of "God Be With You Till We Meet again" was heartily joined in by all.

Meridian W. C. T. U. went to the work house Wednesday, June 6th to observe Flower Mission Day as a constant memorial day to the memory of our "Flower Saint" Jennie Casseday.

Broad Ripple Union Distributed over 100 bouquets, besides fruit and potted plants, each with a message of cheer and sympathy.

Broad Ripple Union also held their regular meeting with Mrs. Fannie Johnson, who entertained the Union women together with a goodly number from the city, who were members of the county executive Union. Devotions were led by Mrs. Fannie Kelso. Flower Mission department reported together with other superintendents. A fine dinner was served in the dining room consisting of the good things so plentiful in the country. The afternoon meeting was in the nature of a Mothers' Meeting, addressed by Mrs. Gipe, who gave many valuable suggestions. This talk was followed by a very helpful discussion.

Prayer closed the meeting. All present had a very enjoyable time, though the weather was not at all in accord with the picnic idea and we all joined in wishing for Broad Ripple Union unbounded success in its many undertakings. Five new members were secured and the bow of ribbon white pinned on.

North East Union. Flower Mission department of this Union distributed flowers to the Alpha Home. All appreciated the thoughtfulness of the women in giving them flowers.

IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. House died May 24, after a severe sickness, Brights disease. Sister House was a loving, devoted woman, who put all her time and energy to good work. She was a member of South Bend Chapin Park Union. She was most efficient member and will be greatly missed. She leaves a husband and four children to mourn her loss, the youngest only three years old. Sister House was a godly woman and made all arrangements for her death, for which she had no fear. Her earnest desire was to have the W. C. T. U. take part in the services, which request was complied with, having no ritual we had a very simple ceremony. White ribbon was drawn around the casket, which was tied into a large bow—the white ribbon which she loved so well. The members attended the funeral in a body; carriages being provided. At the church the members of the W. C. T. U. separated and the funeral cortege passed through, this was done at the cemetery also. Mrs. Cotton read the Methodist ritual and then the members passed around the grave, depositing a tiny spray of smilax tied with white ribbon, singing "Thorne of my Soul;" County President, Mrs. Fassuacht, then offered a heart-felt prayer. Those who witnessed the service all said that it was very beautiful and impressive.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by the Word"

Miss Luella McWhorter
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NATIONAL CONVENTIONS OF PRESBYTERIANS AND UNITED PRESBYTERIANS.

In a strong and aggressive memorandum the Special Temperance Committee of the Presbyterian General Assembly, held in Des Moines, Iowa, Warmly endorsed the Permanent Committee's twenty-fifth report and emphasized the importance of that Committee's recommendations regarding a Church Federation against the liquor curse.

The Assembly enthusiastically adopted its Special Committee's review of the Permanent Committee's report. The resolutions of national public interest which were adopted by the Assembly include these ringing utterances:

1. The organization of the temperance forces is made necessary by the thorough organization and aggressiveness of the liquor traffic. That traffic has brains directing it, capital to carry it on and a co-operation that commands watchfulness on our part, employs the printing press with discriminating intelligence and sends its awful literature everywhere. The emissaries of the traffic are active and animated by commercial enterprise that is merciless and menacing to the highest welfare of the nation.

License System Contrary to Gospel.

2. The license system is wrong in principle, is contrary to the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, and has proven futile in practice as a temperance measure.

3. Our members are hereby warned most solemnly against signing or presenting for citizens' signature, or in court, license petitions which tolerate the continuance of this unholy traffic, or in any other manner abetting this terrible business.

4. This Assembly is unalterably opposed to the license system.

5. That we protest against the issuance of federal tax receipts (construed by the holders as license) to sell liquor in States or communities where prohibitory legislation has been enacted. And the permanent committee is instructed on behalf of this Assembly to memorialize Congress, asking that such receipts be no longer issued in such States or communities.

6. That this Assembly recommend that the last Sabbath in October be observed as Temperance Day in our churches, Sabbath Schools, and Young People's Societies, and that so far as practicable offerings be taken at that time for temperance work under the direction of the Assembly.

7. That the Permanent Committee be instructed to prepare an order of service for the use of Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies on Temperance Day.

8. That we approve of the plan of federation of churches on temperance work as outlined in the report of the Permanent Committee, to-wit: That the proper officials of one denomination shall issue an invitation to all other denominations to appoint the delegates to a National Inter-Church conference to consider the feasibility of a Church Temperance Federation. When these delegates have formulated and agreed upon a basis of federation and this basis shall have been ratified by the participating churches it shall then become operative. The churches through their proper authorities, will appoint or elect the officers of the Federation, according to the terms of the agreement. The Federation will be controlled and supported by the constituent churches and have such departments and pursue such lines of work as shall have been agreed upon in the Articles of Federation.

Any church may pursue other lines of work or adopt any policy which is not contrary to the spirit of the Federation.

9. That in view of the large and rapidly increasing demand for temperance literature, the advisability of a monthly bulletin of temperance facts and progress, the urgent calls from churches, Presbyteries, and Synods, for the services of the Committee's representatives, and to enable the Committee to conduct the temperance work of our church on a scale commensurate with its importance, the Committee be recommended to the Churches for the sum of \$25,000.00.

10. That inasmuch as it is the instruction of science that the use of tobacco is injurious, especially to the young, we urge our ministers and elders, both by precept and example to discourage its use in any and all forms.

Two important items do not appear in this report owing to the fact that they came through other channels which makes them all the more significant.

1. A special Committee appointed for the

purpose brought in a report recommending that a column be placed in the Assembly minutes in which to record the offerings of the churches to temperance. This was adopted unanimously.

2. The Committee on church Policy recommended that when church members who had had timely and official warning against renting property for saloon purposes, signing bonds, petitions, or in any other way aiding or abetting the liquor traffic, continued to do so, the session should proceed to discipline.

The Assembly refused to recognize the Anti-Saloon League and sustained exceptions to Synods doing so.

The last Friday night of the Convention was devoted to a great temperance anniversary rally, with strong addresses by Dr. J. M. Fulton of St. Paul, Dr. James A. Worden of Philadelphia, Dr. S. Edward Young of Pittsburgh, and Prof Charles Scanlon.

ALCOHOLIC EFFECTS THROUGH WOMEN.

Prof. Bunge of the University of Basle, Switzerland, has an illuminating article in the current issue of The Journal of Inebriety, a magazine published for physicians, which makes a specialty of pointing out the part that liquor plays in the production of disease. Prof. Bunge is the leading authority in Europe on milk, its composition and uses. The Professor introduces his article by saying that thirty years of study of milk has demonstrated it to be one of the marvels of organic nature—that the ingredients are finely adjusted and mixed in exactly the proportions required by the suckling in order that the functions should daily perform their office and develop the young organism into an image of the paternal one. The milk for each animal varies in its ingredients, those requiring rapid growth being rich in albumen, while others vary in proportion to the requirements of the little consumer. A new born colt will double its own weight in sixty days from birth, while a calf requires but forty-seven days, but it takes a human baby 180 days to double its own weight, when normally fed at its mother's breast. Thus we find that cow's milk is very rich in albumen, which induces a rapid growth of the body, while the milk of a mother exceeds all other milk in the amount of lactic acid that it contains. The reason of this is that lactic acid builds the brain, while albumen builds the body. In a human baby nature subordinates everything else to equipping it with a brain, its chief tool of existence, and all that makes life desirable. The Professor, after discovering the foregoing facts, entered upon an investigation which proved that in towns and cities more than half the mothers were incapable of properly nursing their own babies. He looked further into this and found that in most cases the incapacity was hereditary. Tracing it back still further, using 1,600 families as the basis for inquiries, he found that when a daughter is unable to wholly nurse her children in 78 per cent. of instances that the father was a habitual user of liquor and in 42 per cent. a notorious drunkard! In all families where both the mother and the daughter were able to nurse their children, records of drunkenness were very rare. In the case of habitual drinkers (the "men that can take a drink or let it alone") 70 per cent. of both mothers and daughters were able to nurse their children, while in 35 per cent. the mother was able, but the daughter of the "moderate drinker" was not. In the matter of professional drunkards only 21-2 per cent. of both mothers and their daughters are able to nurse, while in 32 per cent. the mother was able while the daughter was not. This shows very plainly and distinctly the beginning of the incapacity of women to nurse children, and it has its rise in the use of liquor by men. The inability to nurse is hereditary—that is, once lost it cannot be recovered by the succeeding generations of daughters. Since the milk of women is the only milk adapted to brain building, it is very evident that we are degenerating in brain power, through the use of liquor. The use of cow's milk for children, even though it is pure, which it is not in cities, many produce a rapid growth of body, and on the surface may prove satisfactory. But when we consider such bodily growth is done at the expense of the brain at an extremely important part of its building, then we readily see that a fearful and grewsome cost is being paid for the poor privilege of consuming whisky. Prof. Bunge, the great milk expert, says, however, that cow's milk is not suitable for babies, simply because it is not their natural food, and that hundreds of thousands of infants are annually tortured to death throughout the civilized world by reason of being fed upon food that does not meet their

requirements. The mortality among infants in London is six times greater among those fed on cow's milk than those which are nursed in a natural manner. Thus we see that the whisky traffic may justly be charged with the murder of many thousands of infants annually with the incapacity, in most cases, of women to nurse their own offspring, thus depriving the babies of the brain-building food that they should have and eventually we may charge upon the whisky traffic the moral and intellectual degeneracy which afflicts so great a proportion of the race, simply because their brain capacity was stunted and dwarfed in babyhood. These conclusions are those of a world famous arthur, in the medical and scientific world—a man whose whole life has been and is devoted to the study of milk, its effects, and what interferes with the normal effects of milk. His article was written for scientific men and physicians, not a propaganda article for the general public. What he says must be based upon facts, for he can not afford to risk his reputation before such an audience, who would soon find, by their own tests that he was wrong. Against the results of his investigations and conclusions, we have the word of the whisky dealers and the ignorant saloon bums and loafers, together with the statement of men that don't know anything about it, that "whisky is a good thing." Take your choice of the two—the professor or the bum.—Riches.

UNITED PRESBYTERIANS AT RICHMOND ARRAIGN LIQUOR BUSINESS.

Richmond, Ind., June 1—"The beverage liquor traffic is not a business but a crime and must be suppressed," is the striking declaration of the Committee on Reform in the report just adopted in this city by the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church.

Urge Practical Measures Before Congress.

In the Report of the Committee on Reform, R. A. Hutchinson, chairman, the following reference to current temperance issues is made:

"We rejoice in the increasing and universal opposition to the beverage liquor traffic and the substantial indications of its ultimate overthrow. We commend the effort being made to keep liquor out of soldiers' homes and indorse the McCumber-Sperry bill, which includes the above and also forbids liquor-selling in government buildings and ships. We also indorse the Littlefield-Dolliver bill. This is an act to protect no-license territory from outside interference. We commend Congress for the appropriation of \$1,850,000 for the erection and equipment of recreation building at army posts throughout the country.

The report of the Temperance Committee emphasizes the importance of the Great Reform.

PROHIBITION IN THE SOUTH.

On of the astonishing things of this session of Congress is that forty-nine Democratic congressmen joined in a petition for a prohibitory law. These forty-nine Democratic congressmen from the Southern States have joined in a petition to the Judiciary Committee of the House asking the Committee to report to the House favorably, the Littlefield bill which proposed to amend the Inter-State Commerce Law in such a way that "blind tiger" keepers and others can not sell whisky in original packages in Prohibition States and Prohibition territory in local option States.

The petitioners urge that practically the solid South is in favor of this legislation for their protection. They insist that the Prohibition laws of the States should not be nullified by act of Congress and urged the Judiciary Committee to report the bill so that it can be voted upon.

The fact is that the Prohibition Democratic sentiment of the South is having a more and more profound impression on the Democratic party and compelling it to do things.

At any event, the spectacle of forty-nine Congressmen petitioning simultaneously for a prohibitory liquor law is something unheard of in Washington.

Mr. E. Tennyson Smith of England, the very successful Temperance Evangelist returns to England soon, but expects to come back to America in the Autumn. Those who desire to invite him to conduct campaigns should make application before he leaves this country. Letters will reach him until Aug. 24, addressed to 101 Tremont Street, Boston, Mass.

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LITERATURE AND FRANCHISE DAY, AUGUST 6TH.

ISLAND PARK ASSEMBLY, ROME CITY, IND., JULY 25TH TO AUGUST 17TH. W. C. T. U. DAYS, AUGUST 14TH, 15TH AND 16TH.

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WORLDS W. C. T. U. CONVENTION, 1906, BOSTON, MASS., OCTOBER 17 TO 23. NATIONAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTION, 1906, HARTFORD, CONN., OCTOBER 26 TO 31.

TEMPERANCE SONGS.

Sing temperance songs in the home, in the Young People's meetings and at all meetings of the W. C. T. U.

Encourage the friends of temperance to subscribe for temperance newspapers. It is not enough that all members of the family are total abstainers. The boys and girls associate with representatives of other homes. All need definite information concerning the scientific truths regarding alcoholic drinks and the aggressive attitude of the great liquor organizations.

To be informed upon these subjects means to be interested in them.

No christian or temperance home is complete without a temperance newspaper.

What shall it be?

For all White Ribboners, The Union Signal, official organ of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, a weekly, 16 page paper, price \$1 per year. Address, The Union Signal, Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill.

The National Advocate, a monthly official organ of the National Temperance Society, price \$1 per year. Address The National Temperance Society and Publishing House, 3 East Fourteenth Street, New York. The cartoons in this journal are well worth the price.

The Patriot Phalanx, official organ of the

Prohibition party of Indiana, a weekly devoting one page to W. C. T. U. matter, price \$1 per year. Address The Patriot Phalanx, 117 West Maryland Street, Indianapolis, Ind.

The Defender, weekly, price 50 cents per year. Address 400 W Twenty-third Street, New York City.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

The twelfth annual convention of the Indiana Loyal Temperance Legion was held in the First Baptist Church, Kokomo, June 26-28. This was the largest convention Indiana ever held, more than three times larger than any previous one; brim full and running over with enthusiasm. A fine program, well carried out, won many friends for the Legion. Words of praise were heard on all sides, some saying there was no other organization of young people in the State that could prepare and carry out such a program, and all by the young people. One hundred and forty delegates, eighty-six voting, a bright intelligent company of young people from the best homes in Indiana, all desperately in earnest in this noble cause, made up the membership of the convention.

The church was beautifully decorated with ferns, flowers, potted plants, prize and other banners, and flags. A picture of Frances E. Willard occupied a prominent place on the platform. The auditorium was full at every session and great enthusiasm and interest maintained, a compliment to the worthy cause.

Soon after the formal opening of the convention, the State President, Miss Edith Hillis, of Kokomo, delivered her annual address, a strong, vigorous and earnest statement of the work accomplished during the year and that still to be achieved. It was full of inspiration and hope for the future of the conquering army of the Loyal Temperance Legion that is marching on to conquest. Other speakers on the program were Mr. Herbert C. Shattuck of Ithaca, N. Y., national organizer and lecturer, who spoke of the Legion along the Pacific coast, using a map showing the cities he had visited during the year. Mrs. Belle C. Rowley of Elkhart, who presented The Correspondence Training School, and Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Indiana State W. C. T. U. President, who gave the class address to thirty-five of the eighty-six graduates who were present on commencement night.

A class of six young people contested for the gold medal in the medal contest held the second evening, Miss Lucile McVicker, Marion, receiving the medal. A State song and rally cry were adopted.

Great things have been accomplished in the State, as shown by the attendance, enthusiasm, and reports of all departments. The number of organizations has been doubled; \$31.75 has been raised toward the Japanese Missionary Fund; 500 subscriptions to the Crusader Monthly pledged, and all department work has more than doubled over previous year. A new senior legion is to be organized at once by the young people of the First Baptist—the convention church.

Much of the increase is due to the untiring efforts and enthusiasm of our State President, who was, for the sixth time, unanimously re-elected. The convention showed its love and appreciation of both Miss Hillis and Mrs. Ida M. Mix, general secretary, by presenting each with a beautiful spoon. The convention also made Mrs. Mix the first life member of the State Loyal Temperance Legion and Mr. and Mrs. Hillis made our President the second life member.

Miss Hann of Chicago was present with us and occupied a prominent place in the convention church with L. T. L. literature.

At the close of the first afternoon session the North Kokomo W. C. T. U. gave a reception to the delegates in the lecture room of the convention church. Altogether, the Twelfth Annual Convention of the Indiana Loyal Temperance Legion was a grand success and the closing hours were spent in the beautiful city park where the first annual meeting and banquet of the Alumni Association was held.

JOSEPHINE METIVIER,
Reporter.

WORLD'S CONVENTION AT BOSTON, OCTOBER 17TH TO 23D.

The sessions of the next World's W. C. T. U. convention at Boston, Mass., October 17-23, will be held in Tremont Temple. An all-day of prayer will be the first feature and will be observed with special services in Park Street Church, on Wednesday, October 17. Wednesday evening a welcome banquet will be given in the Ford Building at which ex-Secretary of War Hon. John D. Long will be toast master. Many other social events will be held during the convention and the two days of the World's Institute which is to follow the convention in Park Street Church. An afternoon tea in Faneuil Hall and a reception at the State House by the Governor and his staff are also being arranged. There will be at least two excursions made up for the foreign delegates to tour the country following the national convention. Trips including visits to New York, Philadelphia, Washington, Niagara Falls, Toronto, and Montreal are being arranged. The Washington W. C. T. U. are first to act as guides to any

British delegates wishing to see the city.

The British W. T. A. has elected thirty-seven delegates and will probably elect more. Scotland has already chosen twenty-three. Australia, Sweden, Natal, and many other countries will be officially represented. Invitations have been received for the World's Convention in 1909 to meet in Sydney, Australia; from the National B. W. T. A. to meet in London, England; and the Scottish W. C. T. U. for Glasgow, Scotland.

NEW MAGAZINE.

"The Coming Day," Vol. 1, No. 1, Nashville, Tenn., is the first issue of a beautifully printed fifty-page Prohibition bi-monthly magazine, the field for which exists and has only waited for some such effective editorial preemption such as the editor of this new periodical promises to take. Price 50 cents a year. Address The Coming Day, Nashville, Tenn.

MR. WOODARD VERY ILL.

The father of our dear corresponding secretary, Miss Mary Woodard is very ill, the family have little hopes of his recovery. Our sympathy is extended to the family.

ISLAND PARK.

Sylvan Lake adds greatly to the pleasure of visitors at Island Park, Rome City.

The chautauqua continues from July 25 to Aug. 17. Our W. C. T. U. department workers live at the W. C. T. U. cottage. They are as follows: Mrs. McWhirter, superintendent; Mrs. Vayhinger, state president, in charge of Mothers' Meetings. Mrs. Calkins, state president of Michigan in charge of Parliamentary Law classes and drills. Mrs. Weston and Miss Barnum, associated together in charge of Physical Culture and Elocution. Miss Ransom in charge of the kindergarten. Mrs. Harriet Brand, national treasurer, will spend a few days there and make an address.

Some of our State officers will spend the week closing August 17 with us. All White Ribboners who can arrange to spend that week at Island Park should secure rooms at cottages. Better still, perhaps, would be for several to form a party and rent a furnished cottage and do co-operating house keeping for the week.

Prof. and Mrs. J. F. Kinsey and others will form such a party. Besides enjoying the splendid assembly program, the privileges for boating and fishing are exceptionally fine.

For information concerning cottages or rooms, apply to Rev. J. F. Snyder, assembly secretary, Island Park, Rome City, Ind.

NO WINE IN HENDERSON CASTLE.

For some time ex-Senator and Mrs. John B. Henderson of Washington, D. C., have been members of one of the Tents of the Independent Order of Rechabites. Since which time no wine or alcoholic liquors have been used or served to guests at the Henderson castle. The wine cellar has been locked. ex-Senator Henderson did not want to sell the wines and liquors and would not use them, so recently about one hundred friends were invited to the castle to witness the pouring out of all the wines and liquors. They were emptied into the gutter in the street, accompanied with appropriate ceremonies.

Among these wines there were Madeiras that can not be bought from any market in the world and Amontillado Sherry worth a dollar a drop and plenty of fine old Irish and Scotch whisky.

U. S. ex-Senator and Mrs. Henderson's home is unequalled in splendor by any other residence in Washington city. Ex-Senator and Mrs. Henderson are both total abstainers.

Mrs. Henderson believes there is only one true aristocracy, namely, the aristocracy of health. Mrs. Henderson has written a book called "The Aristocracy of Health." In it she has several things to say about pipes, cigars, cigarettes, wine, beer and whisky.

Mrs. Henderson does not emphasize the moral argument against wines and liquors but holds to the great facts, now being advocated by so many others of advanced thought, that alcohol is a poison. She says she can not consent to poison any guest and upon this ground finds ample reason for her position. With the backing of her husband and the increasing force given to her views by science and medical authorities she has done great service by her determined opposition to the use of wines and liquors in social functions.

The Associated Press says:

"The diplomats of Washington dine frequently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Henderson and they never get a drop of wine. The 'cold bottle' is unknown on the Henderson mahogany. The diplomats not only have shown that they can get along without strong food and strong drink, but they hail the chance to be abstemious, for the Hendersons' hospitality not only is accepted, but if it could be done politely it would be sought for."

Mississippi is happy over the fact that the American Express Company, which reaches nearly every town in the State, has decided to handle no more liquor shipments in Prohibition counties after July 1.

BREWERS' WATERLOO AT KANSAS CITY, KAN., ENDS LONG DEFIANCE OF STATE PROHIBITION LAW.

Kansas City, July 5.—(By Associated Prohibition Press.)—The utter rout of this city's 165 notorious liquor joints, by an attorney whose respect for his oath of office has only been equalled by his success in wiping out the illegal saloons of this county, is the topic of the hour in this State. Hundreds of friendly congratulations have poured into the Assistant Attorney General's office during the past week from every part of the United States, showing how widespread and intense is the interest in the battle which has been so quickly won against the outlaws in this their erstwhile paradise.

It is an open secret that Attorney W. C. Trickett has received various threatening letters during the past few days, warning him of bodily harm unless he stopped his fight on the jointists, but Trickett has scared his anonymous enemies and laughed at their imprecations.

Time after time the liquor men have survived law enforcement "crusades" and never before took seriously the moves made against them. But what a lightning change! Comes a man who means business, and presto, every law defying brewer rushers into the open, promising to remove their joint fixtures, showing irresistibly that not a handful of individual law-breakers, but a coterie of millionaire beer manufacturers have from the first controlled the illegal traffic in this town and by the judicious use of political influence and cash successfully maintained an organized and arrogant rebellion to the State's constitutional law in this municipality. Leaders of this rebellion have been the Schlitz, the Val Blatz, and J. J. Heim, brewery firms. It is well known that when last Saturday morning J. J. Heim in person called on Attorney Trickett, announced his absolute surrender, begging only for time to remove his joint property from the city and the State, it was in reality the confession of defeat by all these ring-leaders in anarchy.

The new attorney has been dubbed "Padlock" Trickett by the demoralized joints, because of his novel mode of procedure. Over 100 joints are now ornamented front and back, with imposing padlocks of brass, which effectually prevent patronage at either entrance.

How the Padlock Plan Originated.

The "Padlock" plan is an innovation which has attracted State-wide interest.

When Trickett conceived the idea of applying for receivers for joint properties Judge Holt told Trickett he could not get receivers without first notifying the property owners of his intention. This notice would, of course, be in the nature of a mighty hot tip to the property owners, and the rum seller would have thirty days grace during the life of the publication notice in which to escape.

"Why not padlock the 'joint' and then notify the owner of the building?" Trickett suggested.

"I'll issue the 'padlock' order on the sheriff," said Judge Holt.

And so it is up to the owner of each building where liquor is sold to face a new phase of "joint" warfare. Buildings will stand locked up for at least thirty days, and will thereafter be under the surveillance of a receiver until such time as the court sees fit to cancel the order. The expense of each receivership will be taxed against the building. Trickett has asked Judge Holt to appoint as general receiver some banking or banking trust institution in the county authorized by law to act in that capacity. Judge Holt will name the receiver tomorrow.

For the first time since the present crusade started, arrests are being made. When the sheriff goes to padlock a building he arrests on a "John Doe" warrant all persons found dispensing liquor.

The court order of Judge Holt, on which authority "joints" are being locked and placed under care of a custodian, follows:

"The State of Kansas to the sheriff of Wyandotte County, Kan. Greeting: Whereas, It has been made to appear to this court by the verified affidavit of the plaintiff herein that persons are violating the order of injunction heretofore granted in the cause, by selling and keeping for sale intoxicating liquors in and upon the premises therein described in violation of law, and permitting persons to congregate in and upon said premises therein described, to drink intoxicating liquors as a beverage, to wit: Now, therefore, you are commanded to go to said premises and see that the order of this court heretofore granted is obeyed and respected, and if necessary place lock upon all doors to said premises, or place a man in charge thereof as custodian thereof, with orders and directions to see that the order of this court is literally obeyed, and make certification of your acts therein and return to this court."

Seventy-five "joints" were padlocked Saturday afternoon, in addition to the fifteen up to that time.

A prominent Kansas City lawyer in an interview in the Journal declared that Mr. Trickett has found the correct way to abate liquor traffic in Kansas in his application for receivers for property. discovery will mean a great deal to the law-enforcement movement in Kansas. The

injunction method, when resorted to by attorneys for the State temperance leagues, was considered a final solution of the "joint" problem. But in the larger towns of Kansas restraining orders were disobeyed by the rum sellers.

"It remained for the 'quietus' to be put to the traffic in Kansas City," continued the Missouri lawyer, "so long touted as the most lawless of Kansas towns. Kansas City has been all along the battleground and her experiments have later been marked with some success in the smaller towns of the State. Kansas City is now to supply Kansas with an effective, final remedy."

Purity and Mothers' Meetings. In answer to the many letters I get (though all have been promptly answered), saying I have been appointed superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, will you please tell me how to go about the work, how to hold a Mothers' Meeting and what my duties are? There is so much implied, that the question is difficult to answer on paper. Do not confine your work to the regular meetings of the W. C. T. U. for there are too many departments for them to give you as much time as the importance of this department demands. Go into districts where there are no Unions. Ask some lady to let you hold a meeting in her home. Send special invitations to the women of the neighborhood, have a well-prepared program, with songs, Scripture, prayer, talks or have someone read a paper or leaflet on duties, opportunities, possibilities or responsibilities of motherhood or what we owe our children. Have a discussion, get all the mothers to talk and they will become interested. Go in His name, the Bible your text-book, and the Holy Spirit your guide. God will bless you. Your meeting will be a success and will create a demand for another. Make your meetings informal, but spiritual. Every Superintendent should have some good literature, "The Mothers' Magazine," by David C. Cook, Elgin, Ill., "American Motherhood" by Dr. Mary Wood Allen, Ellsworth Bldg., 357 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill., "The Purity Journal and Christian Life," Morton Park, Illinois, "The Light," Lacrosse, Wis., are all good and will furnish food for thought and material for Mothers' Meetings. Dear Sisters: Will you not help to make this the very best year in our work. Keep a record of all work done and report to me. I have already sent blanks and literature to seventy-two Superintendents, either county or local. If you will respond what a fine report I may have for the State convention. Will you do it? Without your aid I am helpless. If there are Superintendents without blanks, please apply to me at once, I desire to serve you the very best I can and will respond if possible to any appeal made.

Yours in His name,

MRS. S. M. STAHL.

THIRD QUARTERS REPORT, 1906, STATE TREASURER.

Dear Sisters—The third quarter has been an eventful one, not only have the dues come in very well from old Unions, but the new ones have sent in splendidly. The records on hand show this to be the largest quarter (Third), that has paid dues; 1253 W's and 4 Y's making a total of 1257 for the third quarter. More L. T. L. dues came in this quarter than any other since I have been treasurer; \$45.50 in L. T. L. dues.

The \$1,375 from the Mayhew Davis estate helps to make this an eventful period in our history. Forty-one new Unions organized since last State convention, but remember there are 48 old Unions that have not paid dues so far this year. Dear reader are you a member of one of these? If so, go to work and interest the women in the collection of their dues and come up to State convention with us counting the victories won through the Lord Jesus who "giveth us the victory." We will have a balance of about \$320 in treasury and all debts paid which means much and \$1,400 put out on interest for Hadley School.

Lovingly,

CLARA M. SEARS.

PARLIAMENTARY CONTEST.

Conducted after the manner of an old fashioned spelling school.

Let the chair select two good parliamentarians, and they in turn choose sides, about eight on a side, one for affirmative side of the question, the other for the negative.

Choose twice as many parliamentarians to constitute the balance of power, voting according to their judgment of the question, after hearing the arguments for and against, but they shall not make any motions or participate in debate. Time for closing the debate must be fixed before beginning. The secretary shall keep the record and either party may be charged or credited as follows:

Credit one point for: any motion made and carried. Appealing from chair, if sustained. Amendment to opponent's motion, if carried. Defeat of opponent's motion. Raising point of order, if sustained. Making any motion not in order. Attempting to debate an undebatable question. Raising point of order, if not sustained. Speaking to the question before being recognized by the chair.

The chair shall be the judge, subject to appeal in all cases.

After balancing the account of each side, the party having the larger credit has gained the victory, notwithstanding the question itself may have been decided against it.

This contest is recommended for every local and county W. C. T. Union in Indiana, as able to make proficient in parliamentary law of all who choose to master it thoroughly.

M. A. TOMPKINS,

State Parliamentarian.

EPITOME OF REFORM LEGISLATION'S FORTUNES AT HANDS OF LATEST SESSION OF NATION'S LAW-MAKERS.

Washington, July 7.—Staff Correspondence of Associated Prohibition Press).—Congress has again adjourned and this is what it did do and did not do in temperance matters:

1. It passed the denatured alcohol bill after one of the fiercest struggles of the session. This bill allows alcohol tax free that has been chemically treated under government supervision so as to make it undrinkable. In this way, the manufacturing and industrial uses of alcohol are segregated from the beverage traffic, thus enabling the latter to be attacked without attacking these legitimate and useful industries.

2. It passed the Statehood bill, carrying with it complete Prohibition for the Indian Territory and that part of Oklahoma now covered by Indian reservations. This period extends for a period of twenty-one years and thereafter until the people change the constitution.

3. Another important Indian measure was a clause in the Indian Appropriation bill, setting aside \$25,000 to prosecute aid in the suppression of the liquor traffic among Indians. This sum is to be expended under the direction of the Interior Department and \$15,000 of it is to be expended in the Indian Territory and Oklahoma. For many years, the Indian bureau has repeatedly asked for an appropriation of \$10,000 for this purpose but the money was never allowed by Congress. This year, the same fate was imminent, but the matter was taken up by Rev. E. M. Sweet Jr., and E. C. Dinwiddie, with the result that the amount asked for was increased to \$25,000, and the money appropriated.

4. The Humphreys bill finally passed. This bill merely provides that collectors of internal revenue shall provide certified lists of people who pay government retail liquor license to any one who will pay \$1 per hundred names for copying them. This will be useful in law-enforcement matters and reverses the previous attitude of the Treasury Department which has heretofore adopted the policy of refusing to give our information.

5. The Soldiers Home prohibition amendment got rough treatment towards the last.

The result is that the sale of beer will be prohibited only for four months until the following July. However, when such a provision is once inserted into a bill, it is comparatively easy to have it renewed from year to year in the appropriation bills. This was the case of the appropriations for the State Soldiers Homes, carrying similar prohibitions.

Besides this, a favorable report was secured on the Tirrell bill, which will come up for passage early next session. This bill prohibits the liquor traffic from all government buildings, parks, reservations, and ships. This bill will probably pass at the next session.

The Littlefield bill to amend the Interstate Commerce law so that it cannot be used as a shield for protection of "blind tigers" in prohibition territory was turned down in the Judiciary Committee of the House. Rather, it was not reported and lies in cold storage.

There is a large able-bodied joke floating around Washington on Phoebe Cousins, the obstreperous lady of St. Louis, Missouri, who breaks into the newspapers occasionally. Recently she attended a hearing before the Judiciary Committee of the House on the Littlefield bill which proposes to head off brewers from conducting a "speak-easy" business in Prohibition territory under the shelter of the Inter-State Commerce Law. Miss Cousins appeared for the brewers and strenuously opposed Prohibition. In her argument, she declared that the liquor business was a blessing to humanity as it killed off the weak and aided in the survival of the fittest, thus elevating the human race. The brewers threw a fit when they heard that talk and the liquor representatives hastened to the stenographer of the Committee and got him to cut out these particular remarks of the lady. That is the reason that this part of Miss Cousins' address does not appear in the printed report of the hearings. The brewers did not wish to advertise the fact that their products killed off even the weakest.—Associated Prohibition Press.

Seventy-seven towns in Oklahoma are now under Prohibition and others on the way. The fight for a Prohibition amendment will be pushed energetically at the coming constitutional convention at Guthrie in July or August.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

One of the most remarkable incidents connected with the disaster in San Francisco was the inauguration in that city of a prohibition law which was actually operative until July 5. Before the fire San Francisco, as all the world knows, was one of the worst saloon-ridden cities in the country, having 3500 licensed grogshops. When the city was placed under martial law all saloons were closed. After the disaster they were kept closed as a matter of public policy. The mayor and police commissioners revoked every saloon license in San Francisco county. Oakland was under similar prohibitory regulations for two weeks, but has since permitted the opening of saloons during the day. The whole transaction is most conclusive proof imaginable that any city may adopt prohibition and enforce it when it comes to believe, in its administration, that such action is good public policy. The daily press notably the San Francisco Chronicle, has been delivering most notable utterances editorially on the matter.

We quote the Chronicle:

"San Francisco for the past fortnight has been absolutely free from disorder and virtually free from crimes of violence. There has been no street brawls. No drunken brute has beaten his wife. No gamblers have murdered each other in low resorts. Except for some dealings with sneak thieves the occupation of the police courts is gone. It is a most impressive lesson of the value to society of the restrictions of the liquor traffic. We are promised a continuance of this peaceful condition for a considerable time to come, save only as drunken men may drift over from Oakland where the authorities have been so reckless as to permit saloons to open. We may be compelled to renew the quarantine against Oakland." "The question arises, why should society endure and pay the cost of crime thus easily prevented? It is evidence of human inefficiency that we habitually do it. No saloon open, no crimes of violence." And very much more to the same effect.

The quarantine against Oakland has been renewed and no drunks or liquor are permitted to land from this side of the Bay. Strenuous efforts are being made in Oakland to secure the closing of all saloons for an indefinite time to come. Lovers of temperance and good order everywhere should note the object lesson now being given to the world by San Francisco.

H. L. BOARDMAN.

FIELD NEWS

Hancock County Institute met at the Friends Church at Westland. The county not being organized we were enabled to get the County Institute at our place. We had expected Mrs. Stanley to be with us as leader, but owing to Mr. Stanley's sudden illness she was unable to be present. Mrs. Elizabeth Haughton of Richmond took her place. Had a short session Saturday forenoon in which she talked to the local Union members; in the afternoon she took a few of the different topics from the regular Institute program and made a short talk on each of them which was very interesting. How can we increase the attendance at our W. C. T. U. meetings? (1) Individual responsibility. (2) Attend strictly to business. (3) Have a program. (4) Make meetings interesting; begin on time; close on time.

How can we make the Press serve the Temperance cause? By letting them know what we are doing. One Saturday night Mrs. Haughton lectured on "Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he reap," bringing out many points for the young people to think about. On Sunday morning she talked on "The Kingdom," one of the thoughts she brought out was that we should be doing all we can to set up God's Kingdom here of earth, by licensing the liquor traffic we are tearing down His Kingdom.

In the afternoon on Sunday, Mrs. Haughton talked in particular on the liquor traffic telling us as Christians the stand we must take against the liquor traffic.

Two new members joined the Union, a few subscriptions to the Crusader and Union Signal.

The Hartford City Union planned to hold their regular meeting June 26th with Mrs. Ida Stallsmith 2½ miles west of the city, and the plan did not miscarry for the meeting was a decided success. It took the form of a picnic. We drove out about eleven o'clock, and at twelve about sixty sat down to partake of the good things beneath which the tables groaned. After dinner we had our regular meeting interspersed with speeches, recitations and songs from both old and young. Our quartette furnished the music. We had the pleasure of pinning the White Ribbon on three new members.

Mrs. Bert Ritter of Hartford City Union, superintendent of Contest Work, held a Gold Medal Contest, June 23d. The church was well filled with people to hear the recitations of the contestants. The medal was awarded to Elizabeth Hummer.

While the judges were out, Mrs. Ida Stallsmith, Edna Carrell and Harry Moore who already have gold medals, pleased the audience with fine recitations. Two drills were given by young girls

that were much praised. The older girls, sixteen in number responded to an encore with a pantomime, "Nearer my God to Thee."

Seymour W. C. T. U. held their regular session at the home of Mrs. Gassaway June 2d. A very carefully prepared paper on "School and the Boy," by Mrs. W. F. Pfaffenberger president was greatly appreciated by all present, also the reading of an incoming letter from State President Mrs. C. S. Vayhinger, giving news of work elsewhere.

China's Empress hears Temperance facts. Wu Tingfang, former minister to the United States from China, and during his residence at Washington a friend and frequent diner at the home of ex-United States Senator J. B. Henderson of Missouri, has just written a letter to a friend in Philadelphia in which he confesses conversion to the temperance cause and credits the wife of the Senator with his change of attitude. His Excellency says whenever opportunity occurs now he will preach temperance doctrine, adding, "in fact, I have done so to the Empress Dowager."

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley lectured at Carmel on the afternoon of June 23d, and in the evening gave a reading, "At the Mercy of the State." The Union obtained three new members at this time.

Crown Point Union observed Flower Mission Day. Two hundred bouquets were distributed among the sick and shutins, also one hundred and fifty leaflets and papers. A bouquet and an orange were given to each of the forty inmates of the county farm. A Flower Mission service was held in the afternoon and the origin of the "day" was discussed. After a profitable meeting, delicious refreshments were served by our President and hostess, Mrs. J. P. Merrill.

Lafayette Central rendered an appropriate program in observance of Flower Mission Day, and one hundred sixty bouquets were distributed at the Home Hospital and to the members of the city police force. The flowers seemed to be appreciated at both places. Especially by the police force, each man going out that evening wearing his bouquet. The Union rejoices in the addition of five new members.

The Balbec Union accepted an invitation to dinner and to hold the regular meeting with a member, Mrs. Mendenhall who lives eight miles from Balbec. There were twenty-four present, after an excellent dinner most graciously served a very, very interesting and profitable meeting was held. Three new members were added to our list. Maria Mendenhall, ninety-three years old and two misses, each twelve years old, they were, Nila Edmundson and Hazel Paxson. Nila Edmundson is the daughter of the energetic local President, Mrs. Lottie Edmundson. The members are looking forward with great pleasure to the coming of the State Convention in our county. We are determined to have a good report from our county. Last year we had five Unions with about ninety-seven members, now we have nine Unions and hope to have more than double the number of Unions, and come up to the State Convention with five hundred members. We can do it. Mrs. Stanley held a very successful Institute at White Oak, one of the new Unions in our county last week secured several new members and held a "Married People's Contest," that was very interesting, one of the contestants was a gentleman, perhaps sixty years old, the others were younger. Our county is pushing the contest work, it reaches more people than any other one department.

St. Joseph County observed Flower Mission Day, June 9th, by distributing the following bouquets, Chapin Park Union, to the hospitals, jail, and shutins65 Colfax Avenue, Orphans Home55 Frances Willard, County House53 North Liberty, to the sick.....14

At Seymour, Mrs. Korst gave an able and interesting address on "The Relation of Temperance to Missions," at the Baptist Church, and June 10th services opened by singing America, Scripture reading and prayer by Rev. Severinghaus. Mrs. Korst's little daughter recited two Temperance selections in a very pleasing manner. Mrs. Korst sang "Remember Your Promise to Mother," with much feeling. Those interested in boys and girls, or in missions here or foreign found much food for thought in her lecture. The singing of several hymns and benedictions closed the service.

Gibson County. The officers held an executive meeting June 12th at the home of the President, Mrs. Lizzie Pfohl, Princeton. All the members except two were present. The time and place for the fall county convention was fixed at Francisco, September 13th, as it was only the past April the county organization was effected it was thought best to study the duties of officers as given in the State Minutes and a very pleasant meeting was finished by the President serving refreshments.

Princeton Union observed Flower Mission Day by visiting the county poor farm. Flowers, fruit and cake, besides literature were distributed, also a program of music, Bible reading, prayer and talks with a paper by the President was given. The inmates were very much interested and pleased. The county Flower Mis-

sion Superintendent in company with others visited the jail and a religious service held in which the inmates seemed interested. Literature was distributed and we hope good was done.

The Appellate Court of Indianapolis in a recent decision reversed the judgment of a lower court releasing Curtis Sheldon of Greenfield, from prosecution for the sale of beer in his saloon on last Labor Day. Judge Wiley of the Appellate Court in his decision reviewed the legislation on the subject of legal holidays and declared "The lines have tightened about those who in any manner would corrupt private or public morals. When any day is set apart for public rejoicing, harmless festivities and celebrations, the public who congregate for such purposes are entitled to every protection the law can throw about them. There is a greater tendency to dissipation when the masses congregate than when they are in pursuit of their daily occupations. The law has been passed by the legislature and must be enforced by the courts."

"The Alcohol Cult," by John Madden, M. D. of Portland, Ore., is the first chapter of an intensely interesting discussion which begins in the summer issue of the Quarterly Journal of Inebriety, Boston, Mass. In this article Dr. Madden in fascinating style investigates the reason why alcohol although denounced by religion, science, medicine, law and society still maintains its pre-eminence. The articles on this subject promise results of important research into the relation of alcohol to ancient history. Every one who is at all interested in the question should be sure to read this first paper. In a leading editorial entitled "Spirits and Wine at Banquets," the Quarterly mentions several notable banquets within recent months at which liquors have been excluded and concludes its editorial comment as follows:

"The flow of blood to the brain and other parts of the body is irregular and spasmodic. Practically, the use of alcohol at meals is most reckless and unscientific, and is contradicted by all studies and experiments. Each banqueter who uses wine and spirits with food destroys and lessens the power of the stomach to separate and appropriate foods from this source. Nothing is more clearly proven than the error of mixing spirits with foods. It is a dietetic barbarism which should be given up at once. The frequenter of banquets always complains of disturbances and nameless diseases, ascribed to some other cause. Nothing can be more certain than that the paralyzing effect of alcohol on the food in disturbing digestion and arranging the metabolism of the body, is the source of very serious derangements and diseases."

The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at its General Conference just held at Birmingham, Ala., adopted a resolution protesting against "the use of any property owned or leased by the United States government for the sale of alcoholic liquors as a beverage."

In a Pointed Editorial, entitled, "Misplaced Children," in the Christian Conservator, Huntington, Ind., July 18, that paper laments the fact that two million boys and girls under fourteen years of age are wage earners in America today. In conclusion the Conservator graphically remarks:

"The drink habit extirpated, the divorce mill product will lessen, a less number of fathers will shirk responsibility by running away, a higher type of home will ensue and children will be rescued from the presently increasing horror of child slavery."

Mr. John G. Woolley will give the opening address at the coming Chautauqua session of the National Reform Association which is to be held at Winona Lake, Ind., August 11-18. Mr. Woolley's subject will be "The Moral Accountability of Nations." It has just been announced that Mr. Woolley was honored with the degree of L.L. D. at the recent college convocation of Ohio Wesleyan University.

The Arctic Traveler Nansen was asked by a neighbor, "Did you take any alcohol with you when you left the 'Farm' to make your heroic expedition by sledges?" "No," said Nansen, "If I had done so I should never have returned."

IN MEMORIAM.

One of the Hartford City union gone home. Mrs. O. N. Ruby a dear, sweet-spirited mother in Israel, died June 21st after a few weeks illness. It was my privilege and pleasure to pin the white ribbon on her. We all loved her, but we say: "His will be done,"

MRS. S. M. STAHL.

Mrs. House died May 24th after a severe sickness, brights disease. Sister House was a loving, devoted woman who put all her time and energy to good work. She was a member of South Bend Chapin Park Chapel union. She was a most efficient member and will be greatly missed. She leaves a husband and four children to mourn her loss, the youngest only three years old. Sister House was a Godly woman and made all arrangements for her death, for which she had no fear. Her earnest desire was to have the W. C. T. U. take part in the services, which request we complied with. Having no ritual, we had a very simple ceremony. White ribbons were drawn around the casket and tied in a large bow—the white ribbons she loved so well. The members attended the funeral in a body, carriages being provided at the church. The members of the W. C. T. U. separated and the funeral cortege passed through. This was also done at the cemetery. Mrs. Cotton read the Methodist ritual and then the members passed around the grave, depositing a tiny spray of smilax tied with white ribbon, during which we sang, "Home of My Soul." County President Mrs. Passaucht then offered a heart-felt prayer. All those who witnessed the services said it was very beautiful and impressive.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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MONEY FOR TEMPERANCE.

J. B. Martin, an Ohio capitalist, has decided to give the output of a gold mine to the cause of prohibition of the liquor traffic. It is expected that this gift will amount to \$500,000 yearly.

Early in the summer a news item from England announced that Mr. John Crowle, recently deceased left a legacy of \$1,250,000 to the Wesleyan Methodist Church of England to be used for temperance work, on condition that the church raised an equal amount within five years for the same work.

A bequest of \$52,000 for Prohibition work is announced under the will of the Hackley estate of Muskegon, Mich.

These facts are encouraging. It has been a question with some of us for years why temperance people of wealth entirely ignore the temperance cause in the distribution of their money.

Handicapped as the W. C. T. U. always has been for money, it is recognized as a mighty power against the liquor traffic in agitation, education and legislation.

The W. C. T. U. has usually not been successful in the founding of "Homes," establishing of institutions or building business blocks for convenience or revenue. Evidently these things are off the main line for which the organization came into existence.

We quote the preamble to our constitution as a national W. C. T. U:

"We, Christian women of this nation, conscious of the great evils and appalled by the danger of intemperance, believe it our duty, under the providence of God, to unite our efforts for its extinction and for the entire prohibition of the liquor traffic."

We further quote the preamble of our State Constitution:

"We, Christian women of Indiana, in order to enlist and unite the women of the entire State in temperance work and to devise and execute measures, which, with the blessing of God, will result in the suppression of intemperance and secure as soon as possible the entire prohibition of the liquor traffic."

The battle against the liquor traffic in its last analysis, says the National Advocate, is more and more resolving itself into a battle of money, or which side has the most ammunition with which to wage the fight, and who can fight the hardest and continue the longest.

Millions are spent every year by the liquor men in securing the influence of legislators, newspapers, political leaders and officers of the law. With money they frequently prevent passage of temperance laws, if defeated in this they often win the case by buying up the prosecuting attorney, the mayor or chief of police so that the law becomes a dead letter. For illustration of how this is done Indiana people remember the effort it took to get a prohibitory cigarette law and then how its enforcement was prevented by indifference of officials, and lastly by decision rendered by a man in official authority. The American Tobacco Company has money too.

Extract from editorial in National Advocate.

EXTRACTS FROM EDITORIAL IN NATIONAL ADVOCATE.

Newspapers Bought Up.

The liquor men, especially the brewers, have been making special efforts to boom their business in the newspapers and make the people believe that beer is a temperance drink, that it is a food, etc. And all the liquor organizations of the country have been making systematic efforts to discredit the principle and the effectiveness of prohibition. During the last few years the liquor men have sent to newspapers all over the country many columns of false and misleading statements against prohibition and in favor of beer drinking, and have paid the newspapers at advertising rates for the insertion of these articles. Many papers have used them as signed articles addressed to the editor; some have inserted them as news items; and others have even used them as editorials. The newspapers with the smallest amount of moral principle sell their editorials outright to the liquor men. The papers not quite so much debauched sell their news columns to publish these falsehoods; but the papers whose past respectability would not yet allow them to sell out wholly to the liquor men have accepted these articles as addressed to "the editor" and signed by some stranger or by a fictitious name. The liquor men have also paid millions of dollars direct to the newspapers for

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MRS. SUMNER W. HAYNES,
of Portland,
General Chairman of Local Committees for State
W. C. T. U. Convention.

CALL FOR STATE CONVENTION.

The Thirty-third Annual Convention of the Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held at Portland, Ind., October 5-9, 1906.

The annual meeting shall be composed of the officers of the State Union, the Superintendents of Departments, Chairmen of Standing Committees, State Organizers, Editor of State Paper, Officers of Board of Managers of Hadley Industrial School, the president and one delegate-at-large of each auxiliary union and one additional delegate for every twenty paying members thereof, and one delegate who shall be a W. C. T. U. member and an active L. T. L. worker for each \$10 of L. T. L. dues from the combined Legions of the State. Ex-officio members must vote in person.

The Executive Committee will meet October 4, at 2:00 p. m. in Convention Church.

FROM CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

Dear Comrades:—Only a few days remain before our reports must be in the hands of the State Treasurer and State Corresponding Secretary and yet much may be done in these days by a determined effort. At the close of the third quarter, the showing with reference to membership was disappointing. We have organized 46 new unions this year and many old unions have made very creditable gains, but we can not show a net gain at the end of the year unless our old members pay their dues. Explain this to those who are backward about paying their dues and urge them kindly to help us in the State.

Our legislature will meet next January and we are planning to ask them for important legislation, and the larger the showing we can make in numbers the greater the influence of our organization. Every woman who pays her dues will help in this legislative work.

Our white ribbon comrades at Portland are working earnestly for the success of the State Convention. Pray for them that they may have grace and strength to perform the arduous duties that devolve upon them.

We hope that every local Union in the State may be represented in the convention. Appoint your delegates early in September, and send their names to the chairman of the entertainment committee. A full delegation from a local union consists of the president, one delegate at large, and an additional delegate for every twenty

ty paid up members. Every Union needs the inspiration that comes from these large gatherings.

Mrs. Florence Richards, National Organizer and Lecturer, Mrs. Rebecca Trego, National Evangelist, and other speakers of note will be at the convention; a diamond medal contest will be held Saturday night; we expect an unusually large attendance, and we have reasons to hope for the greatest convention in the history of Indiana W. C. T. U. You can not afford to miss this harvest home!

Last year a number of new Unions were reported to me for the first time at State Convention. New Unions should be reported as soon as organized, so that I may send them supplies, etc. If any one knows of a new Union whose name has not appeared in The Message, please report the same to me at once. The following Unions have been reported since my last report to The Message:

Petersville, Bartholomew County; Bargersville, Johnson County; Westpoint, Decatur County; Butlerville, Jennings County; Vallonia, Jackson County, organized by Mrs. Kroft; Farrville, Grant County, organized by Mrs. Shugart; Otwell, Pike County, organized by Mrs. Lee; Deer Creek, Carroll County, and Carroll County Union, organized by Mrs. Goodlace; Fisher's Station and Hortonville, Hamilton County, organized by Mrs. Stanley; North Judson, Starke County, organized by Mrs. Stahl; Castleton, Marion County, organized by Mrs. Gipe; Stinesville, Monroe County, organized by Mrs. Siebenthal; Farmland, Randolph County.

Yours for Victory,
MARY E. WOODWARD.

STATE CONVENTION INDIANA W. C. T. U. PORTLAND, IND., OCTOBER 5-9.

Chairmen of the Committees who will have the preparations for the State Convention in charge:

General chairman, Mrs. S. W. Haynes; entertainment, Mrs. Gertrude Fulton; hotel and restaurant, Mrs. A. J. Graves; music, Mrs. W. L. Ferris; reception to meet delegates, Mrs. Frank White; decoration, Mrs. Flauding; finance, Mrs. J. W. Headington; courtesies, Mrs. C. J. Roberts; to receive packages, Mrs. William Nelson; railroad secretary, Mrs. Wilson Rice; Sunday services, Mrs. John Shewalter; telephone and telegraph, Mrs. L. W. Holt; ushers, Mrs. John Hiatt; pages, Mrs. J. W. Headington; press, Mrs. W. A. Humphries; post mistress, Mrs. Frank White; bureau of information, Miss Gertrude Gilpin; cabs, Mrs. J. H. Polm and Mrs. A. J. Graves.

Mrs. Florence D. Richards, national lecturer, will be with us in the State Convention. She is an able woman whom it is a great privilege to know and to hear speak.

Mrs. Trego of Ohio, will also be with us in our State Convention. Mrs. Trego is known and loved by many Indiana women. She is a woman of winsome personality and deep piety. Many unions should secure her services for the immediate weeks following the convention. Mrs. Julia Overman of Marion, Ind., our state superintendent of oratorical contest department, will hold a diamond medal contest at the State Convention. The young people from adjoining towns should be urged to attend this contest on October 6th, at Portland. Press superintendents and local union presidents in nearby counties have announcements of this convention and of the oratorical contest for a diamond medal made continuously in the Unions and frequently in the country papers.

Every minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, who lives within easy access of Portland, should be invited to attend our State Convention. The ministers would attend if sufficiently invited and they realized the importance of the work of the W. C. T. U.. Invite them! Urge them to come!

Mothers bring your young sons and daughters to the convention. Write to Mrs. A. J. Graves, of Portland, for information concerning boarding. It will doubly pay you to take the boys and girls and pay their board for a few days that they may get into the knowledge of (Continued on Page Three.)

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W. C. T. U. DAYS, AUGUST 15 TO 16.

LITERATURE AND FRANCHISE DAY, AUGUST 6.

WORLDS W. C. T. U. CONVENTION, 1906, BOSTON, MASS., OCTOBER 17 TO 23. NATIONAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTION, 1905, HARTFORD, CONN., OCTOBER 26 TO 31.

TEMPERANCE SONGS.

Sing temperance songs in the home, in the Young People's meetings and at all meetings of the W. C. T. U.

Dear Treasurers:—Please remember and send 50 cents convention fund from each Union in the State with your fourth quarter's dues, and remember the bank will balance my books by September 26th, so my report can be compiled before convention. Lovingly, Clara M. Sears, State W. C. T. U. Treasurer, Anderson, Ind.

GO TO BOSTON, MASS., AND HARTFORD, CONN. ARRANGE TO GO IF POSSIBLE. THE GREATEST CONVENTIONS EVER HELD IN AMERICA. RAILROAD EXPENSES FOR THE ROUND TRIP FROM INDIANAPOLIS, \$29.00. W. C. T. U. DELEGATES AND VISITORS WILL LEAVE INDIANAPOLIS OCTOBER 15TH.

WORLD'S AND NATIONAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTIONS.

The World's Convention will be held in Boston, Mass., October 17-23.

The National Convention will be held in Hartford, Conn., October 26-31.

Fare of one and a third on certificate plan for the round trip, granted by all railroads. Purchaser pays regular fare for ticket to Boston and receives a certificate from the agent.

At Boston holders of certificates properly signed in the convention may purchase return ticket from Boston to starting point for one-third the regular fare paid going, plus one dollar, with stop over privilege at Hartford, Conn., to attend the National Convention.

The Indiana delegates and visitors will leave Indianapolis October 15, via the following routes: Indianapolis to Cleveland, The Big Four; Cleveland to Buffalo, Lake Shore and Michigan South-

ern; Buffalo to Albany, New York Central; Albany to Boston, The Boston & Albany Railroad. Returning, the tickets will read: Boston to Hartford, Conn., N. Y., N. H. & H.; Hartford to Springfield to Albany, Boston & Albany; Albany to Buffalo, New York Central; Buffalo to Cleveland, L. S. & M. S.; Cleveland to Indianapolis, The Big Four.

The fare from Indianapolis to Boston, \$21.00. Holders of certificates, return fare one-third (\$7), plus one dollar, making the round trip fare \$29.00, granting a stop over at Hartford until after the close of the National Convention, October 31st.

Delegations from Great Britain, Germany, Switzerland, Australia and many other countries will attend the World's Convention. This convention represents the Forward Movement among the women in the whole world. Thinkers and writers on temperance among the English-speaking people will be in the World's Convention.

All persons interested in the temperance movement are invited to attend these wonderful conventions.

From any railroad station in Indiana the agent will furnish certificates when requested to do so by the purchaser of a ticket for the World's Convention.

Stop over of ten days at Niagara Falls granted an all return trip tickets.

Sleeper rates from Indianapolis to Boston \$5.50. If two people occupy the same berth they would each pay \$2.75. For further information and for sleeper reservations apply to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College Ave., Indianapolis, Indiana.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Amos R. Wells, the noted Sunday School writer, recommends that the life and work of Temperance Reformers be studied in the Sunday Schools as supplemental work on Temperance Sunday. It will be most appropriate to call attention to Miss Willard and her great work on next Temperance Sunday, September 30, as that date is so near to her birthday, September 28.

We suggest the following plans:

Let the W. C. T. U. present each Sunday School with the picture of Miss Willard. This can be done as an introductory exercise to the special Frances E. Willard program of the Sunday School, which may include a responsive reading giving the facts concerning Miss Willard's life. A roll call of classes, each responding with a quotation from her writings. A temperance song by the primary or junior department. A special exercise given by the children commemorating Miss Willard. The circulating of Frances E. Willard pledge cards, the distribution of the Willard souvenir cards, the distribution of temperance literature. Our National Superintendent has prepared the following exercises, etc., for Frances E. Willard Day, all of which are included in our quarterly budget of Sunday School helps, price 15 cents: Frances E. Willard, "Our Star," "A Floral Tribute," "A Starry Crown," souvenir booklet, souvenir cards; responsive exercises, "A Great Reformer."

Send all orders to Mrs. Stella B. Irvine, 115 Walnut Street, Riverside, California.

LIDA OUTLAND,
State Superintendent Sunday School Work, Upland, Ind.

COUNTY AND LOCAL EVANGELISTS SUPERINTENDENTS PLEASE TAKE NOTICE.

Dear Sisters:—Word comes from Miss E. W. Greenwood that she wants my report as quickly as possible, so please have every report in by the 15th of September, or before. I am anxious for each union to have credit for all work done, so if it is but little, please report. Remember that Almo House work especially belongs to this department.

I sent blanks one year ago, enough I thought for two years. If you need more please send to me for them immediately. Let us work together for the best year's report ever made. I have sent Miss Greenwood's 8-page leaflet to many superintendents. I have more copies on hand which I will gladly send to any one desiring it. All should have this helpful leaflet from our World's and National Superintendent. Praying the Father's richest blessings upon the work and workers, I am faithfully yours,

MRS. E. M. HAUGHTON,
Richmond, Ind.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Indiana has taken advanced ground this year in Loyal Temperance Legion branch. You have all been hearing about our splendid State Convention held at Kokomo in June, and will be anxious to hear the report at Portland in October, so I ask that all L. T. L. leaders please see that the report blanks sent out the 1st of September be filled out and returned to me by the 25th of September. If you have not sent in the report quarterly since the 15th of September, 1905, then you may make a report covering the year's work, but if you have sent them in during the year, just fill out the blank for last quarter from June 15th to September 15th.

Then see that all dues are collected and sent

to Miss Clara M. Sears, State W. C. T. U. treasurer, at Anderson, before the 25th of September. Remember our aim this year is \$50.00 national dues and \$50.00 State dues, and so far only \$54.40 of this \$100.00 is paid. We have the members if only we get the 10 cents from each one. Let the junior or general leaguers do as well as the graduates and we will have the amount we want.

In 1905 only 50 graduates paid dues while 134 paid in 1906, more than doubled the amount.

If you all could have been in our convention and seen the enthusiasm of those young people you would never again ask the question, "Is the Legion worth while?"

Yours for Success,
IDA M. MIX,
State L. T. L. Secretary of W. C. T. U., Kokomo, Ind.

PRESS.

Of the 165 blank reports which I sent out in June but 17 were filled and returned to me, and I am supposing that the other 148 are being held for the final and year's report in September. I sincerely wish that each one of them may be returned to me by September 20th, so please do not disappoint me.

In the report where it calls for a number of feet of clippings saved, give the number of lines furnished instead, and do not send clippings to me, as they will be of more value to you than me.

Yours for a full report,
LAURA CAMMACK,
State Superintendent, Converse, Ind.

THE CIGARETTIST.

"Cigarette smokers are often active, alert, competent men. They are quick to see an opportunity, ready to take advantage of it, appreciative, sympathetic, kind. But when you see such a one he is in his prime, at his best; his star is at zenith, not on the horizon or at nadir. Never again will he be as much of a man as he is now. His future lies behind. He is not growing into a better man. He is not in the line of evolution. If you want a man who will train on, flee the cigarette as you would a pestilence. He will surely disappoint you. And the better and brighter your young man, the faster will be his descent to Avernus."

"The cigarette smoker is not a degenerate because he smokes cigarettes. Quite often he is a cigarette smoker because he is a degenerate. In preparing a culture bed for vice germs do not omit cigarettes. Cigarettes stupefy the conscience, deaden the brain, place the affections in abeyance and bring the best to the surface."

"I am aware that cigarette smokers often make fine distinctions between the factory prepared article and those they roll with their weak, nervous fingers in our presence. But after a long and careful study of the subject, I can find no reason to suppose that there is any real choice in cigarette paper, cigarettes or cigarette makers. The burning of tobacco and paper together in proximity to the saliva distills a subtle, chemical poison that has its sure effect even upon the strongest constitution."

"Cigarette smoking begins with an effort to be smart."

—Philistine.

"The Superintendent of the Lindell Railway, of St. Louis, says: 'Under no circumstances will I hire a man who smokes cigarettes. He is as dangerous on the front of a motor as a man who drinks. In fact he is more dangerous, his nerves are apt to give way at any moment. If I find a car running badly, I immediately begin to investigate to find if the man smokes cigarettes. Nine times out of ten he does, and then he goes, for good.'

"E. H. Harriman, the head of the Union Pacific Railroad system, says that they 'might as well go to a lunatic asylum for their employes as to hire cigarette smokers.'

"The New York, New Haven and Hartford, the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific, the Lehigh Valley, the Burlington and many others of the leading railroad companies of this country have issued orders positively forbidding the use of cigarettes by employes while on duty."

—O. S. MARDEN, in Success.

VICTORY AT KANSAS CITY, KANSAS.

At last Governor Hoch of Kansas has been waked up and begun to do something to enforce the prohibitory law in the law-defying city of Kansas City, Kansas, through the assistant attorney general of the State, W. C. Trickett. For years the local authorities of that city have refused to enforce the prohibitory law, encouraged by the mayor. But the prohibitory law is now being strictly enforced, and the mayor of that city was recently ordered to relinquish his office and was fined \$1,000 for contempt of the State Supreme Court. Mr. Trickett has closed all the rum shops and put padlocks on them, and now threatens to prosecute the owners who rented property for the saloons, if they do not at once refuse to rent their property for such purposes. National Advocate.

Worlds W. C. T. U. Convention, 1906, Boston, Mass., October 17-23. National W. C. T. U. Convention 1906, Hartford, Conn., October 26-31.

HOW TO SECURE BETTER TEMPERANCE TEACHING.

(Mrs. Hunt's Special Message.)

As the school year opens, every woman of the Christian Temperance Union who has at heart the fundamental importance of temperance education is revolving plans for securing better teaching of the subject. The question "How shall we do it?" was so often repeated in the letters which came to the department last winter (as always) that it called out and became the theme of the following message which was the last bit of dictation done by Mrs. Hunt, and that only in broken phrases a few days before her death.

These are the principles evolved in Mrs. Hunt's extended experience and thorough observation through nearly 30 years of arduous labor for Scientific Temperance Instruction. She left them as her bequest to you, her co-workers. Take them, and with the same spirit of consecrated power and devotion to a great purpose adopt them to the need and opportunity of your special fields.

CORA FRANCES STODDARD, Secretary,
Boston, August 15, 1906.

more than reform; it is prevention of the evil it more than reform it is prevention of the evil itself. The cause of alcoholism and its horrors is a popular misapprehension as to the nature and effects of alcoholic drinks and other narcotics. The people for generations have thought that alcoholic drinks moderately taken are safe beverages, while, in point of fact, alcohol has the power to create an uncontrollable appetite for more that indulged in may become destructive and, as Professor Von Gruber says, "No one can foretell whether or not he is susceptible to alcohol. He finds out only by playing a game of chance with his own life which is a dangerous experiment."

Universal education as to these facts and the physiological reasons for obeying those teach total abstinence from alcoholic drinks and narcotics is the only preventive of this great evil. The object of such education is to influence the formation of right physical habits. As these are early formed, new ones each year, this education must be given through some institution that reaches all the children in the nation. The schools are manifestly the medium for conveying such instruction which must begin in the earliest years where it can reach the child's life and continue, new facts added each year, as the child can comprehend them, to keep the subject fresh until it is covered at the close of the first year of the high school.

You ask how it can be introduced into the schools and how taught. I reply, just as you would introduce and teach any other new subject of which the teachers are practically ignorant. For instance, if it were the study of arithmetic that you wished to introduce into the schools for the first time you would go to the school board, urge its importance, and ask to have a place made in the curriculum for enough lessons to cover the subject beginning with the simplest facts in numbers for the first primary year, and to have adopted a course of study which would show what should be taught each year, the subject being developed progressively with text-books in arithmetic for the help of pupils as soon as they were able to use books, usually about the fourth school year, with books also progressively adapted to the capacity of the pupils as the study proceeds through the grades.

Now this is what you should do in the case of physiology. Take the international course of study, which shows what is to be taught in temperance physiology each year, to the school board and ask them to adopt it. This plan for teaching the subject orally in the three primary years with an oral lesson book for the guidance of the teacher, containing the facts simply told that the little ones can understand.

A primer, a simple book for the use of the pupils in this subject, should be furnished for the children in the fourth school year, a little advanced book for the fifth and sixth years, one still more advanced for the seventh and eighth years, and a high school book.

With such books and the course of study teachers will know what to teach and should be able to know how to teach it.

Especially will they know how if you send them the School Physiology Journal, each number of which contains model lessons with suggested methods for teaching. Three lessons a week for ten weeks of each of the three primary years and four lessons per week for ten weeks of each of the six succeeding years, with reviews, will cover the subject of physiology, hygiene and narcotics if the above plan is followed.

To recapitulate: Just three things are necessary; first, the adoption of the right course of study; second, the adoption of good books adapted to grade; third, the interested teacher. To secure the last, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union should send to each teacher in its vicinity the School Physiology Journal. In many cases business men and those interested in temperance work will be willing to contribute to the splendid work for the children if the women will

tactfully ask them to do so after explaining the need of the teachers and the benefits which result from furnishing these helps.

What ought to be done can be done by whoever has the courage and the faith to undertake it, for Omnipotence is pledged to such an one.

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FIELD NEWS

Monroe County—Temperance interest is indeed encouraging. Another union organized by Bloomington local at Stinesville, this being the third organized this year. President, Mrs. B. Hoadly; Superintendent L. T. L., Mrs. E. P. Hunter. The dear sisters of this union have been interested in temperance some time, having already held three silver medal contests, thus beginning their work with many good seeds sown and money for the treasury.

Great Work of One Union from June 23, 1905, until July, 1906, a few days over one year. At Terre Haute on June 23, 1905, was organized the Busy Bee Union by Miss LaDrew. Later it was called the Terre Haute Union. Regular meetings held, 27; Mothers' meetings, 11; Sabbath observance meetings, 6; Evangelistic meetings, 3. One meeting each for special work as follows: Neal Dow, Frances Willard Memorial, W. C. T. U. Catechism Review, L. T. L. work, concerning the Mormon Smoot, Literature, Flower Mission and Jail and Prison. Members, 34; average attendance, 10; number of names on Smoot petition, 140; two boxes of supplies sent to California, value \$40; basket of supplies to a convict's family, value \$2.00; service held for a dying woman, White Ribbon Social, receipts, \$12; L. T. L. penny social receipts, \$7.26; two L. T. L. picnics; three wagons to County Poor Farm and services held at these places; one parlor meeting in honor of Mrs. Haughton, State Evangelist; visits to sick, 489; social visits, 317; tracts and pledges distributed, 241; bouquets, 271; dainties to sick, 181; pages of literature distributed, 15,451; hospital visits, 15; three L. T. L.s organized with average attendance of 25. Cradle roll 9; honorary members 2; no deaths.

A Grand Gold Medal Contest was given in the Presbyterian Church in Portland, Ind., Wednesday evening, August 1. The contestants were four boys and four girls. Each showed careful training. The contest was not as well attended from Portland as it should have been and showed very plainly lack of interest or enthusiasm.

Pennville and Redkey sent large delegations and made a good showing. The judges were unanimous in awarding the medal to Elizabeth Humphries who gave "The Result of Treating" in her own natural way.

Miss Humphries expects to compete for the diamond medal in the contest that will be given during the W. C. T. U. Convention which will be held in this city on October 6th. These contests are becoming quite a feature of our local union and is one that should be encouraged. If we get the young people interested in this great work we will have accomplished great and lasting good. Twelve dollars and seventy cents was realized from the contest which will be used to help defray the expense of the coming convention.

Greencastle—The glorious Fourth was celebrated by a temperance picnic under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Farmer, just east of Greencastle. Mrs. J. P. D. John arranged for and presided at the meeting. Devotions were led by Dr. Town. The singing evangelist, Mr. Harry Maxwell, led the singing and also sang a sacred solo. The veranda, decorated with flags and flowers, was used as the speakers' stand. The following excellent program was listened to with close attention by the company assembled under the trees. An able address by Dr. H. A. Gobin on "Education and Patriotism." Mr. Albert Burnside spoke on the "Universal Brotherhood of Man." This will be brought about, he said, when it is recognized that the young must be protected from temptation. He explained the real effect of beer upon the organs of the body. The food value theory received its death sentence at his hands. Mrs. S. W. Stephens, M. D. twenty-five years a missionary worker in India, was next introduced. While in India she was an active temperance worker, at one time speaking to an audience of men where two hundred signed the pledge. The pledge signing, she considers, a great aid to Christian missions. She also said that as a preventative of disease, alcoholic liquors have no merit. Prof. J. B. DeMotte made an eloquent address on "Temperance and Patriotism." He paid high tribute to the sterling worth of the founders of our country. Now, however, too often, the law maker has become the law-breaker. After the reading of the Declaration of Principles by the president, all joined in singing "America." L. T. L. boys and girls assisted the ladies in serving the delicious and bountiful picnic supper, which, though last, was not least among the good things of the day. Few unions

in all this country have on their lists of honorary members, so many distinguished gentlemen as the Greencastle Union. These gentlemen graciously responded to all invitations to assist in the work. Under the splendid leadership of Mrs. J. P. D. John and her excellent corps of general officers this union is making strong sentiment in the university town of Greencastle.

Howard County—The second section of superintendents of Howard County W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. William Willcutt's, at Greentown, August 9th. The county executive committee met in the morning and a strong program for the fall convention was planned. In the afternoon the following departments were taken up: Mercy, Flower Mission, Sabbath Observance and Franchise.

Bishop Joseph C. Hartzell, of the M. E. Church, wore a little bow of white ribbon while he lectured at Island Park. He said I have eight sisters who are white ribboners and my mother, aged 92 years, is an honorary member of the National W. C. T. U.

Temperance Day at Bethany Park was a great success. The attendance and interest was indicative of splendid sentiment. The forenoon speaker was Mrs. McWhirter and the afternoon speaker was Rev. A. L. Crim. Intense interest was manifested. Dr. Homer J. Hall was in charge and to him is due great credit for the constant aggressiveness of our temperance people in that part of the State. Mrs. Lizzie Heath of Indianapolis, was elected president of the Bethany Park Assembly W. C. T. U. and Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson was elected treasurer.

Dr. Martha Keller, State Superintendent of Medical Temperance, has moved from Lafayette to Indianapolis.

The World's W. C. T. U. Convention will be held in Fremont Temple, Boston, October 17-23. The National W. C. T. U. Convention will be held in Hartford, Conn., October 26-31. Every person who is interested in the forward movement of temperance work should, if possible, attend these two conventions. Special railroad rates will be made by all lines. By all means go if you can. Many will go from Indiana. For particulars concerning the trip, write to Mrs. McWhirter, editor of The Message.

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CONVENTION NUMBERS OF THE UNION SIGNAL.

The 1905 convention numbers of The Union Signal will be the best ever issued. They will contain graphic, illustrated accounts of the two great meetings. The issue of November 8 will report the World's Convention at Boston, and those of November 15 and 22 will be devoted to the National Convention at Hartford. The paper of November 29 will gather up the good things crowded out of the preceding issues.

These convention reports will be an unanswerable reply to the question, "What is the W. C. T. U. doing?" Send to those you wish to interest. See that each minister, teacher and prominent citizen in your community receives them.

We quote a special price of ten cents for the four issues. Send for special convention copy subscription blanks, and see how many of these papers you can place in your neighborhood. Those sending clubs of twenty-five or more convention copy subscriptions will receive special mention.

Address The Union Signal, Evanston, Ill.

FACTS.

Prohibition has not killed Greensboro, N. C. During the past year 1,200 new houses were built there. The liquor folks talk big about bar-rooms and distilleries making a town. That which destroys human flesh and blood and increases crime and causes sorrow cannot "make more than two-thirds of the southland from Richmond, Va., to El Paso, Texas, is under strict prohibitory law.

STATE CONVENTION.

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the great work for humanity done by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The tide is taking our boys and girls out and away from the atmosphere that is helpful to make them strong, earnest minded and good.

W. C. T. U. Wives invite your husbands to attend the Portland Convention. The men most always can attend what they really want to. Tell them so much of our work, of your love for them and how much you want them to attend this convention, that they will begin now to make their plans to either go with you or to get to Portland Saturday morning and stay until Tuesday. We do so much want the husbands of W. C. T. U. women who live at a convenient distance from Portland to attend this convention. Board can be secured at reasonable rates and every hour in our convention enjoyed.

Temperance girls invite your boy friends to come Friday evening and stay over Sunday at Portland and attend the convention Saturday and Sunday. Boys always have money and usually by a little planning they make arrangements to have one Saturday.

MONEY FOR TEMPERANCE.

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straight liquor advertising, and thus they hold the newspapers in bondage.

Associated Press Bought by Liquor Money.

The liquor men also buy up the Associated Press or the news representatives of it; and they also buy up many private news bureaus, especially at Washington, D. C.

Liquor Bill Boards and Street Car Placards.

The liquor men have used money to boom their business. For instance, hundreds of thousands of dollars have been paid out by them for advertising on bill boards, both on city billboards and in the country along the railroads. Everywhere one goes nowadays on the railroads the eye falls upon great flaming advertisements of various kinds of liquors. That has cost an enormous sum of money. It not only advertises their liquors, but at the same time debauches the farmers who accept the money from the liquor men to allow these great billboards put up on their land.

Another way by which liquor men spend enormous sums of money is by advertising in the street cars all over the country. Placards announcing the superior qualities of the different brands of liquor are in the street cars of nearly every city and town of the United States, where they are read by millions of people every day.

Liquor Literature Scattered Broadcast.

The liquor dealers' associations also spend large sums of money in printing leaflets full of false statements and fallacious arguments in favor of their business, which they scatter over the country by millions. We meet this literature everywhere.

Whenever some back-slidden preacher or a drunken doctor makes a statement in favor of the saloon or the liquor traffic it is printed and reprinted in liquor papers and often put into leaflets and distributed over the country in large quantities.

How We Could Influence Legislators.

Often in a sudden emergency it is necessary to spend many dollars in telegrams to arouse the people quickly to write or telegraph their representatives concerning some important bill which has come up unexpectedly. Many thousands of dollars could also be wisely expended when Congress and the State legislatures are in session in printing and mailing literature to the people giving the reasons why the different important temperance bills pending should pass, and why certain bad bills pending should be defeated, and urging the people to write their representatives concerning them. Legislators are always very sensitive to home influence, and letters written them are not useless, as many suppose, but do have great weight with the men who make the laws.

How We Could Use Money.

We could get temperance facts and arguments published in almost every newspaper in the United States by the payment of a small amount per column. We could get our side printed at a much lower rate than the liquor men have to pay for publishing their side of the question, because most newspapers would prefer to publish the temperance side, if there was any financial profit in it for them, rather than publish the liquor side even at a much higher rate. Hundreds of thousands of dollars could be legitimately expended in this way each year to good advantage, and if money was being constantly paid to the press of the country for publishing temperance arguments and facts, the editorial side of the paper would be much more friendly to us, and many friendly temperance editorials would appear where now there are very few.

Put Cartoons and Placards in Street Cars.

Again, large sums of temperance money could be wisely spent in putting striking cartoons and brief temperance facts on placards in the street cars all over the country, just as is now done by the liquor men in booming their business. There is almost no limit to the amount of money that could be wisely expended in this way alone. Think how much it would mean if a striking cartoon or a few striking temperance facts were put in every street car in the United States, and it could be done if we had the money.

Use the Bill Boards.

Again, we could use the city bill boards and also put up bill boards along the railroad tracks all over the country, had we the money in sufficient quantities. Brief, startling temperance facts or striking temperance cartoons put on bill boards everywhere would powerfully and swiftly affect the public sentiment of the nation on the drink question.

Mailing Literature to Special Classes.

Large sums could also be spent each year in sending by mail special leaflets to special classes of people. There are certain leaflets which would be of interest and help to physicians, to ministers, to lawyers, to merchants, to manufacturers, etc. Printed lists of all these classes can be gotten in the city and town directories of the United States, and all these directories can be seen and used at the Library of Congress at Washington. If every year the latest and strongest facts that would interest these different classes could be printed and mailed to all the business and professional men of the country—the molders of public sentiment in every community—it would in a very few years work a revolution in the public sentiment of the country on the temperance question.

The above shows the general need of money for extensive use by the temperance people. The Indiana W. C. T. U. does not handle much money. Five hundred dollars for field work would make it possible to send out workers in much greater numbers.

Members of the W. C. T. U. in Indiana, consider these conditions and come to our State Convention at Portland in October prepared to contribute such sums of money as you can spare toward a general field fund that can be used at the discretion of our State officers during this year. There are some members in every union in our State who will help. There are friends of the cause in many places who will contribute towards this fund. There are members and friends who will make provision for legacies that will enable Indiana W. C. T. U. to wage a wonderfully aggressive warfare. We must provide for a greater number of speakers and organizers to be constantly kept in the field. We must plan for an aggressive campaign against the greatest enemy of the home, church and state—the liquor traffic.

ISLAND PARK, ROME CITY, IND.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Island Park Assembly is forceful and far reaching with a large membership representing Michigan and Indiana. The hearty co-operation of the presidents of these states has welded the work and the workers in a manner that must be understood to be appreciated.

The class work and the program of the W. C. T. U. was under the supervision of Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, editor of The Message.

During the session of the Assembly splendid work was carried on in these departments with efficient superintendents.

Mothers' Meetings—Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, president Indiana W. C. T. U.

Parliamentary Law Classes—Mrs. E. L. Calkins, president Michigan W. C. T. U.

The following classes were held each week day during the Assembly:

Oratorical contests and physical culture classes in charge of Mrs. M. E. Evertson, of Asbury College, Ky.

Expression and Physical Culture Classes in charge of Miss Charlotte Barnum, of Michigan, besides some special work with private pupils.

The Kindergarten was held every week day and was in charge of Miss Ruth Ransom of Chicago, who has for three years been very popular at Island Park.

The Literature Booth was in charge of Mrs. Ruth Probst, of Ligonier, whose gracious manner and earnest words won many to an earnest consideration of our work.

At the W. C. T. U. cottage all these workers lived, and one more—Mrs. Talburt of Richmond, who solicited and secured more members to the Island Park Assembly W. C. T. U. than any one person has ever done. This bright, cheerful energetic lady is more than seventy years young.

The class work was mostly done in the morning. Then our workers were free to attend the afternoon and evening entertainments in the auditorium. Besides the privilege of the splendid Assembly program, they enjoyed the excellent boating and bathing facilities, some learning to swim. All were young (?), happy and busy during the stay at Island Park.

The W. C. T. U. had the following work on the regular auditorium program:

July 31.

10:00 a. m. Civic Righteousness meetings.

11:00 a. m. Woman's Part in World Evangelization.

Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, president Indiana W. C. T. U.

August 9.

2:00 to 2:30 p. m. W. C. T. U. in charge.

August 10.

2:00 to 2:30 p. m., W. C. T. U. in charge.

August 14.

11:00 a. m., The Force of Woman's Endeavor in Overcoming Evil, Mrs. Luella McWhirter.

August 15.

10:00 a. m., Conference of W. C. T. U.
11:00 a. m., Temperance Evangelism, Mrs. E. L. Calkins, president Michigan W. C. T. U.

2:00 p. m., Physical Culture Exercises—Music.

3:00 p. m., Address, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger.

7:30 p. m., Lecture—Dr. George R. Stuart, of Tennessee.

August 16.

10:00 a. m., Conference W. C. T. U. and Prohibitionists. In charge of Mr. George Ulmer. Speakers: Hon. Charles Holler, South Bend; Mrs. Calkins, Mrs. Vayhinger and Rev. Aaron North. Songs by Prof. and Mrs. Lough.

11:00 a. m., Address, Mrs. E. L. Calkins.

1:30 p. m., Meeting in charge of Mr. Ulmer; short address by Rev. Aaron Worth.

2:15 p. m., Kindergarten exercises followed by a club swinging class.

3:00 p. m., Lecture, Dr. George R. Stuart, the distinguished southern orator.

7:30 p. m., Oratorical contest followed by a tableaux representing the drunkard's wife and children in the desolate home, and the children singing, "We Are Coming to the Rescue," carrying American flags, marched in and surrounded the group.

A Japanese umbrella drill was given by young ladies.

Through the interest and kindness of Prof. Cline who had charge of the motion pictures during the Assembly, colored lights were thrown upon the platform and added much to the effectiveness of the evening's program.

We were favored with selections of band or orchestral music at all of our meetings. Prof. Garnett and his able co-workers were most gracious and kind to lend assistance to the W. C. T. U.

Many Michigan White Ribboners attended W. C. T. U. day meetings as a result of the genuinely hearty and gracious co-operation of the Michigan women led by their able and splendid president, Mrs. Calkins. This Island Park Assembly W. C. T. U. work, near the border line of Michigan and Indiana, will surely become a Mecca for our temperance people.

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Andrew Carnegie in his book, "The Empire of Business," says: The first and most seductive peril, and the destroyer of most young men, is the drinking of liquor. I am no temperance lecturer in disguise, but a man who knows and tells what observation has proved to him; and I say to you that you are more likely to fail in your career from acquiring the habit of drinking liquor than from any or all the other temptations likely to assail you. You may yield to almost any other temptation and reform—may brace up, and, if not recover lost ground, at least remain in the race, and secure and maintain a respectable position. But from the insane thirst for liquor escape is almost impossible. I have known but few exceptions to this rule.—Andrew Carnegie in His Book, "The Empire of Business."

MRS. M. E. EVERTSON.

Who has for several years been identified with State work of Kentucky, has been prevailed upon to give the month of September to work among the local unions and in organizing unions and holding medal contests up in the northeastern part of Indiana. Every county president or local president who can secure the services of Mrs. Evertson will be greatly pleased with the results.

Now as soon as you read these lines write a card to Mrs. Evertson addressed to Rome City, Ind. It will cost you only a very small amount, if anything, to have Mrs. Evertson. If she spends a week with you she will leave money in your treasury, providing you co-operate with her in her efforts to hold a medal contest and build up the union.

FRANCE BECOMING FRIGHTENED.

Scientific temperance instruction is getting a strong foothold in France. In the schools, there are now text books covering the question and the government offers prizes for the best essays on the question, not only by school children, but by mature scholars as well. Temperance restaurants are being promoted in Paris. La Croix Bleue, the gospel temperance propaganda, now has about 4,000 reclaimed drunkards in its ranks. Recently sixty-eight leading physicians, including officers of the medical department of the army and navy, in the Department of Finistere, signed a manifesto to impress on the people the dangers of drink, saying that the ravages of alcohol threaten the very existence of the French nation. And this in the country where innocent American soothsayers declare there is no drink problem because the people drink "pure, harmless wine."—National Advocate.

"The First Monday morning after the re-opening of the saloon in San Francisco, July 9, 1906, there were 74 victims before the police courts as against 5 the previous Monday; 72 on Friday as against 2 on the previous Friday and the second Monday 113 as against 3 or 4 the second Monday before re-opening. Never again can a man with ordinary intelligence argue that high license reduces the evils of the drink curse or that prohibition properly enforced does not prohibit."

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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SIR FREDERICK TREVES LEAVES THE MODERATE DRINKER NO GROUND TO STAND ON.

Sir Frederick Treves, surgeon to the king, addressing a temperance meeting, declared that alcohol is distinctly a poison, and that its use ought to be limited as strictly as any other poison. He added that it is not an appetizer, and that even a small quantity hinders digestion. Its stimulating effect only endures for a moment and when this is passed capacity for work falls enormously. Its use is inconsistent with any work requiring quick, keen and alert judgment. Reviewing medical practice for a quarter of a century, Dr. Treves declares that he would say that the use of alcohol in hospitals and by physicians generally had emphatically diminished and is diminishing.

"All alcohol," he said, "is distinctly a poison, with certain uses like other poisons, but limitation on its use should be as strict as on arsenic, opium or strychnine. It was a curiously insidious poison, producing effects which seemed to be only relieved by taking more, a remark which applied to another insidious poison, morphia or opium. Alcohol has a certain position in medicine, but in the last twenty-five years its use by the medical profession has steadily and emphatically diminished."

People are often heard to say that alcohol was an excellent appetizer when taken before meals. The appetite does not need artificial stimulation; if the body wanted feeding, it demanded food. As for aiding digestion, it hindered digestion. Even when taken in small amounts, instead of strengthening, alcohol curiously modified the nourishment of the body and greatly lessened the output of carbonic acid, a very important matter, so that the drunkard was necessarily an ill nourished man. To reach the acme of physical condition was impossible if any alcohol were used. Its stimulating effects were only momentary. After that passed off the capacity for work fell off enormously.

Nothing to Fall Back On.

Alcohol brought up the whole reserve forces of the body and threw them into action. When these were used up there was nothing to fall back on. It dissipated rather than conserved bodily energy. As a work producer it was exceedingly extravagant. It might lead to physical bankruptcy. He was not speaking, he would remind them, of excessive drinking.

It was a curious fact that troops could not march on alcohol. In the Ladysmith relief column which he accompanied, the first men to drop out were simply men who drank. The fact was as clear as if they had all borne labels on their backs.

As for the statement that alcohol was a great thing for circulation, it increased the heart's beat, reddened the skin by using up the body's reserve power, but then the heart's action became emphatically weaker, the doctor stated, the temporary effect being got at enormous cost. The action of alcohol on the central nervous system was very definite. It was that of functional poison, first stimulating, then depressing the nervous system; the higher nervous centers went first, becoming slightly dulled. The man who worked on even a moderate amount of alcohol was not at his best. Fine work could not be done under that condition. The use of alcohol was absolutely inconsistent with a surgeon's work or any work demanding quick, alert judgment. He was struck by the number of professional men who for this reason discontinued the use of alcohol in midday.

Lowered the Temperature.

The last notion was that alcohol kept out the cold, that a little nip was good when going out into the cold air, and so forth.

In the words of a great authority alcohol really lowered the temperature of the body by increased loss of heat, to some extent by increased oxidation and very much reduced the power of the body to resist cold.

Finally he would say that the great and laudable ambition of all, especially young men was to be fit.

This could not possibly be achieved if they took alcohol. It was simply preposterous to suppose that any young healthy person needed any alcohol whatever. Indeed he was much better without even the smallest amount.

Having spent a greater part of his life in operating, he would say with Sir James Paget that of all people those he dreaded most to operate on were drinkers.

He hoped what he said would help his hearers

DOES PROHIBITION PROHIBIT?

If more liquor is sold where there are no saloons than where there are, would brewers, distillers and wholesale dealers, who own about 75 per cent of all saloons, pay license, rent, taxes, insurance, attorney's fees and contribute large sums of money to influence the press, to publish and distribute literature and in other ways to obtain license, all to lessen the amount of their sales? ... Would the liquor men now be maintaining five national organizations at heavy expense to oppose all prohibitory measures, if such measures did not interfere with the traffic? Would they keep an expensive lobby at the national capital to urge the restoration of the canteen or army saloon and to prevent a prohibitory clause in the statehood bill for Oklahoma and Indian Territory if they were not financially interested? — Charles Scanlon.

to answer such absolute fallacies as "a glass of port can do you no harm."

Sir Frederick Treves, K. C. V. O., C. B., L. L. D., F. R. S. C., who perhaps came for the first time more prominent before the eyes of the empire in 1900, when he relinquished his large London practice in order that he might join the forces in South Africa, where he filled the position of consulting surgeon, came, perhaps, into even greater prominence when he successfully operated on His Majesty King Edward, on July 24, 1902 for appendicitis.

He had held the position of sergeant-surgeon-in-ordinary to the King since 1901, and prior to that of surgeon-extraordinary to the late Queen Victoria.

He was created a baronet in 1902, and is also Knight of Grace of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem. For his services with the Ladysmith relief column he received the South African medal and three clasps.

Sir Frederick, who is only fifty-two years of age has written numerous books and papers on anatomy and surgery. His "Tale of a Field Hospital," published in 1900, became exceedingly popular with the public.

In his earlier career he acted as professor of anatomy and pathology at the Royal College of surgeons, and examiner in surgery at the University of Cambridge. He is also a member of the Advisory Board of the Army Medical Service, and of the Army Hospitals Committee.—National Advocate.

NO SALOONS IN AMERICA—WHAT WILL HAPPEN THEN?

The wage earner will carry home his wage, and the business man his profits. Every department of honest trade will feel the impulse of the hundreds, yea, thousands of millions of dollars that heretofore have gone through the saloon, but that with no saloon will be expended for comforts, food, clothing, shelter and warmth in winter in the American home. Children will not then be taken from school to be premature bread-winners because unnatural fathers spend in the saloon the money that should be sacred to the home.

No wife and mother will shrink in terror trying to shield her little ones as she hears the sound of the approaching steps of the husband and father who represents "Satan in solution."

Since beginning the study more than twenty-five years ago, of the nature and effects of alcoholic drinks and other narcotics upon life and character as revealed by modern science, the picture has been ever before me of our country filled with happy homes, whose plenty represents the development of the boundless resources of this wonderful continent that God has given us, a plenty so distributed that poverty and its limitations are no more; and those homes, the cornerstones of the republic, the abiding place of a strong achieving race of noble, Christian men and women whose capacity for self government makes liberty under law the very atmosphere of the nation; churches everywhere, with schools and colleges for the children and youth who have come to their inheritance of being well born with no taint of the sequel of alcohol in their blood; no distilleries, no breweries, no saloons, no buying or selling or drinking liquors any where; no drunken brawls; the dockets in the police courts almost empty, the jails, prisons,

poorhouses, asylums found to be fifty and more times too large. The children born after the last saloon is gone will represent a nobler type because alcohol has not prenatally poisoned the very fountain of their being.

Unalcoholized, unnarcotized, the American man represents the highest type of manhood the world has ever produced. As a son, lover, husband, father and citizen he is nearer the ideal. Mary H. Hunt.

BEER NOT A FOOD.

In a dispatch from Berlin, Germany, to the New York Sun occurs the following:

"German writers in commenting on the failure of German athletes to carry off signal honors in the Olympian games at Athens assert emphatically that the chief cause of the low standard of their physical achievements is the beer drinking habit, which is greatly sapping the national vigor. Several writers agree that this habit prevents the Germans from acquiring that tautness of muscle which distinguishes the American and English athletes and not only causes superfluous fat, but seriously affects the heart, which is the sport organ par excellence."

WHAT WHISKEY DOES.

Not all that it does can be stated in figures. Its worst effects are not possible of tabulation, and cannot be adequately described—they are so horrible. But some of its doings are these:

Slays more than war, pestilence and famine combined. Kills 100,000 every year. Makes 800,000 paupers every year. Makes 315,000 criminals every year. Makes 30,000 idiots every year. For every dollar the government receives as license from liquor interests, it costs the government at least \$16.50 to care for paupers, criminals and idiots, and to bury the drunkards. It pays less for wages and less to the farmer than any other business. A dollar spent for beer yields less to the producer than any other business. A dollar spent for beer only gives 5 per cent to the laborer, and 12 per cent to the farmer, while a dollar spent for bread gives 33 per cent to the laborer and 25 per cent to the farmer.

STATE CONVENTION INDIANA W. C. T. U. PORTLAND, IND., OCTOBER 5-9.

Chairmen of the Committees who will have the preparations for the State Convention in charge:

General chairman, Mrs. S. W. Haynes; entertainment, Mrs. Gertrude Fulton; hotel and restaurant, Mrs. A. J. Graves; music, Mrs. W. L. Ferris; reception to meet delegates, Mrs. Frank White; decoration, Mrs. Flauding; finance, Mrs. J. W. Headington; courtesies, Mrs. C. J. Roberts; to receive packages, Mrs. William Nelson; railroad secretary, Mrs. Wilson Rice; Sunday services, Mrs. John Shewalter; telephone and telegraph, Mrs. L. W. Holt; ushers, Mrs. John Hiatt; pages, Mrs. J. W. Headington; press, Mrs. W. A. Humphries; post mistress, Mrs. Frank White; bureau of information, Miss Gertrude Gilpin; cabs, Mrs. J. H. Polm and Mrs. A. J. Graves.

The World's W. C. T. U. convention will be held in Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass., Oct. 17-23. On Wednesday, Oct. 17, an all day of prayer will be observed with special services in Park St. church.

Wednesday evening a welcome banquet will be given in the Ford building at which ex-secretary of war, Hon. John D. Long will be toastmaster. Many other special events will be held during the convention and the two days of the World's Institute which is to follow the convention. An afternoon tea in Faneuil Hall and a reception at the State House by the Governor and his staff are also being arranged. There will be at least two excursions made up for the foreign delegates to tour the country following the national convention. Trips including visits to New York, Philadelphia, Washington, Niagara Falls, Toronto, and Montreal are being arranged.

The British W. T. A. has elected 37 delegates and will probably elect more. Scotland has also chosen 23. Australia, Sweden, Natal and many other countries will be officially represented. Invitations have been received for the World's convention to meet in 1909 in Sydney, Australia, from the National B. W. T. A., to meet in London, England, and the Scottish W. C. T. U. for Glasgow, Scotland.

Under Prohibition in Maine pauperism has decreased 245 per cent, while under high tax in Ohio it has increased 138 per cent., and under high license in Illinois 176 per cent.

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W. C. T. U. DAYS, AUGUST 15 TO 16.
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WORLD'S W. C. T. U. CONVENTION, 1906,
BOSTON, MASS., OCTOBER 17TH TO 23RD.

NATIONAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTION, 1906,
HARTFORD, CONN., OCTOBER 26TH TO 31ST.

Railroad Rates to Portland, Ind.

A round trip rate of one fare and one-third, upon the certificate plan, has been granted for the delegates and visitors attending our state convention Oct. 5 to 9.

Our State Convention will be held at Portland, Jay County, Oct. 5-9 in the Methodist church. Executive Board will meet Oct. 4, at 2:00 o'clock P. M. Every member is expected to answer to roll call.

Each local union in the state is entitled to send as delegates, the president, one delegate-at-large, and one delegate for every twenty paid regular members.

Sisters do arrange to be on time. Arrive at Portland in time for the opening of the convention at 9:30 A. M., Friday, Oct. 5.

Do not fail to hear President Vayhinger's address which will be delivered at an early hour of the convention.

Bring tablets and pencils, plenty of good cheer and love abundant for everybody and you will enjoy the convention.

The names of all delegates should be sent to the chairman of the entertainment committee, Mrs. Gertrude Fulton, Portland, Ind.

All delegates will be entertained free for lodging and breakfast.

Portland is a beautiful city. Reduced hotel and boarding house rates made to accommodate our visiting friends.

Take with you a daughter or a son, and get your husband to promise to come Saturday and stay until Monday. If necessary economize in some other way and spend a few dollars to have a member of your family attend all or part of this great convention. It will indeed be a great convention. We have many strong women of our own, besides these, Mrs. Florence D. Richards, one of the nation's best, will be our guest

and beautiful spirited Mrs. Trego will be with us.

Sunday will be a great day. Invite all interested people to attend our Sunday meetings. Many can and will come for that day if invited. We wish that our ministers could be with us on that day. Most of them cannot, but they can come for all day Friday and for Friday night. Urge them to do that and hear President Vayhinger's annual address, besides enjoying the other features of the program. Friday evening will be of unusual interest.

Come to Portland yourself and bring a visitor with you. Invite others to attend.

Medical Temperance.

All reports not sent in previously should be taken to the state convention and handed to Dr. Martha J. Keller, whose residence address is 37½ East Washington St., Indianapolis, Ind.

From the Union Signal we quote:

At a special World's Convention Fund meeting recently held at the residence of Mrs. Angeline A. Pomeroy of Great Barrington, Mass., a brief history of the World's Union was given, with remarks upon the fifty-nine nations included in the organization. The flags of the United States and Great Britain formed a background for the pictures of Miss Willard and Lady Henry Somerset, and twenty-two ladies displayed flags of as many nations, others exhibiting articles from Switzerland, Nova Scotia, Jamaica, the Philippines, Turkey, Italy, Africa, India, Sweden, France and China. When the union on the Hawaiian Islands was referred to, Mrs. Damon, Miss Damon and Professor Maurice Beckwith visitors from Honolulu, sang a native song, translating it, and also rendered their national hymn. Contributions were received and refreshments served.

THE LIQUOR BILL FOR 1905.

The American Grocer compiles and analyzes the statistics of liquor consumption annually, and has just issued its statement for 1905, based upon the Government Excise statistics. The figures for 1905, just issued, show a continuation of the same steady annual increase in this item of national expenditure as has been observed in the years previous. We spent for beverages \$1,548,708,307, as against \$1,498,622,715 in 1904, and \$1,541,633,379 in 1903, \$1,369,098,276 in 1902, and \$1,273,212,386 in 1901. The alcoholic drink bill which enters into this computation, as given by the American Grocer, is \$1,325,439,074. Of this sum, \$771,675,969 is given as the beer bill, \$96,005,230 is the wine bill, while whiskey is charged up to the amount of \$457,757,875. The total drink bill today, as the compiler states, is "one-fourth of the total estimated production of the cotton, wheat, corn, hay and tobacco crops, and every other product of the farms, orchards, cattle ranches, dairies, and every other agricultural industry. It amounts to one-eighth of the Nation's total expenditure for food."

The consumption of wine and whiskey has not been a steady increase, but more or less erratic. But the increase of beer drinking has been as steady and seemingly inevitable as that of the population. From 1863 to the current year there have been only six years in which setbacks of even a fraction of a gallon occurred.

The increase has been not only absolute but relative to the population, namely, 21 3-5 per cent., during a period when the population increased only 6½ per cent. The per capita consumption has greatly increased, and has reached an annual expenditure of \$93.15 for each family of five persons, while the Bureau of Labor gives \$749 as the average family's income.—National Advocate.

THE W. C. T. U. AND THE SCHOOLS.

By Rev. J. H. James.

Our best hold for the moral uplift of the communities in which we live is in and through the schools. Compulsory attendance gives the opportunity. Teachers are realizing that moral teaching is as really a part of their work as "the three R's." Yet they need enthusiasm, suggestions as to methods, and increasing leverage upon the pupils. May not the white ribbon be made a "live wire" imparting these?

One good woman's visit to a school may be an inspiration. If lack is discovered, of course criticism or dictation would make matters worse, but tactful suggestions might be of great service. Public sentiment needs to be created and brought to bear upon the schools. A local Union may have such addresses as will do this. There are books of great value at moderate cost. Other aids are available. All will serve to equip teachers for this department of their work, and wisely used, will be welcomed by the instructors themselves as well as by thoughtful parents.

Upon the children too, Unions and their members may bring helpful influences to bear. Talks in schools by local and other speakers will stir little hearts and make the right path plain.

Woman developed language, which, in turn, developed man's mind.

She put all the children in the world and protected them after they got here—while the sav-

age man is hunting his fellows or animals or drowsing in the sun.

NOTICE.

To Local and County Press Superintendents.

Please notice the request of Mrs. Annie A. Preston under head of Willington local notes—that all press superintendents in Tolland County write her as soon as possible.

NOTICE.

All comfort bags designed for crew of battleship Connecticut, must be forwarded to State superintendent by October 1, 1906.

All Unions are requested to report every item of interest and work done for department of soldiers and sailors before September first.

Report to county superintendents or direct to
MRS. CARRIE A. GRIGGS,
42 River St., Williamantic, Conn.

NOTICE.

Miss G. A. Washburn of Stafford Springs, treasurer of Tolland County for the eleventh year, sailed August 30th on the "S. S. Amerika" for Berlin, Germany, where her headquarters will be for nine or ten months to accompany her niece for musical instruction.

CONVENTION NUMBERS OF THE UNION SIGNAL.

The 1906 convention numbers of 'The Union Signal' will be the best ever issued. They will contain graphic illustrated accounts of the two great meetings. The issue of November 8th will report the World's Convention at Boston, and those of November 15th and 22d will be devoted to the National Convention at Hartford. The paper of November 29th will gather up the good things crowded out of the preceding issues.

These Convention reports will be an unanswerable reply to the question, "What is the W. C. T. U. doing?" Send to those you wish to interest. See that each minister, teacher, prominent citizen in your community receives them.

We quote a special price of ten cents for the four issues. Send for special Convention Copy subscription blanks, and see how many of these papers you can place in your neighborhood. Those sending clubs of twenty-five or more Convention Copy subscriptions will receive special mention. Address, The Union Signal, Evanston, Illinois.

WORLD'S AND NATIONAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTIONS.

The World's Convention will be held in Boston, Mass., October 17-23.

The National Convention will be held in Hartford, Conn., October 26-31.

Fare of one and one-third on certificate plan for the round trip, granted by all railroads. Purchaser pays regular fare for ticket to Boston and receives a certificate from the agent.

At Boston holders of certificates properly signed in the convention may purchase return tickets from Boston to starting point for one-third the regular fare paid going, plus one dollar, with stopover privileges at Hartford, Conn., to attend the National Convention.

The Indiana delegates and visitors will leave Indianapolis, October 16th, via the following routes:

Indianapolis to Cleveland, The Bigg Four; Cleveland to Buffalo, Lake Shore and Michigan Southern; Buffalo to Albany, New York Central; Albany to Boston; The Boston & Albany Railroad. Returning, the tickets will read: Boston to Hartford, Conn., N. Y. N. H. & H.; Hartford to Springfield to Albany, Boston & Albany; Albany to Buffalo, New York Central; Buffalo to Cleveland, L. S. & M. S.; Cleveland to Indianapolis, The Big Four.

The fare from Indianapolis to Boston, \$21.00. Holders of certificates, return fare one-third (\$7), plus one dollar, making the round trip fare \$29.00, granting a stop over at Hartford until after the close of the National Convention, October 31 st.

Delegates from Great Britain, Germany, Switzerland, Australia, and many other countries will attend the World's Convention. This convention represents the forward movement among the women in the whole world. Thinkers and writers on temperance among the English-speaking people will be in the World's Convention.

All persons interested in the temperance movement are invited to attend these wonderful conventions.

From any railroad station in Indiana the agent will furnish certificates when requested to do so by the purchaser of a ticket for the World's Convention.

Stop over of ten days at Niagara Falls granted on all return trip tickets.

Sleeper rates from Indianapolis to Boston \$5.50. If two people occupy the same berth they would each pay \$2.75. For further information and for sleeper reservations apply to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College Ave., Indianapolis, Indiana.

PLEDGE OR WORKHOUSE?

Success of the Pollard Plan

For three years Judge William Jefferson Pollard of the Second District Police Court of St. Louis has been suspending sentence on men convicted before him of drunkenness and setting them at liberty when they are willing to sign the pledge. This method of treating drunkards was an experiment when Judge Pollard adopted it, but in his experience not more than two per cent of the men to whom opportunity to reform has been given in this way have violated their promises, and he feels now that its practicability and success have been proved completely.

According to the Arena, Judge Pollard does not allow every man convicted before him to choose between a fine or imprisonment and a pledge of total abstinence. Such victims of the drink habit as have lost their physical and moral self-control to an extent indicating complete inability to leave liquor alone, he punishes in the conventional way. When, however, a man of decent reputation, who has given away to temptation, comes before him charged with intoxication, the judge after conviction imposes a sentence equivalent to a heavy fine or a period of imprisonment of considerable length. He then offers a printed form of pledge to the prisoner and if it is signed, orders him to report to the court once a week during the time it runs.

If the convicted man's employment makes it difficult for him to report in court hours the judge receives him at his residence. At these meetings the judge gives such advice and encouragement as he can, endeavoring to awake the self respect and self-confidence of the paroled prisoner. When the experiment began many judges, lawyers and policemen laughed at it and its author. Now those who regarded it least hopefully are obliged to admit that good has been done in many cases by this unusual procedure.

A case used to illustrate the successful working of the Pollard plan is that of a teamster who habitually drank up his wages every Saturday night and abused his family regularly. Finally his wife obtained a warrant for him and urged Judge Pollard to send him to prison, saying she would maintain herself and three children by doing washings. Judge Pollard talked to the man kindly and became convinced that there was some good in him. With the wife's consent the man was released on signing the pledge and promising to report to Judge Pollard weekly. At the end of a month he had recovered his balance, had paid a mortgage on his household goods, had been promoted and gave every sign of becoming a valuable citizen. He was discharged from his obligation to report to the judge and is now supporting and treating his family properly. Certainly a term in the work house would have accomplished no such result in this case, and there have been many like it. Judge Pollard is not a weak sentimentalist, however. Speaking of the reformatory method he has adopted, he says:

In giving the defendant an opportunity to sign the pledge, I always impose a suitable fine for his offense. I let him off on his promise of good behavior, with the distinct understanding that if he drinks again he will have to go to the workhouse. The man who knows he is going to be sent to the rock pile for getting drunk will keep out of the reach of temptation.

What they need is a good, strong moral stimulant. I produce the pledge and give them a chance to work out their own reformation. Then I back up that pledge with the law created by 700,000 people. The chances are that the man who knows that the eye of the court is upon him wherever he goes will stay at home evenings instead of lounging around saloons.

Judge Pollard adds that "virtually the man is enjoined from getting drunk." Government by injunction appears to have some virtues. The conventional punishments for minor offenses are often illogical, and frequently do more harm than good. The Pollard plan is worthy of the attention of magistrates and judges in the inferior criminal courts, who frequently have hard work to make the punishment fit the crime.—Editorial in the New York Sun.

Under date of August 6, 1906, the Chicago Evening American says of this unique work: "Are Courts of Law Primarily Intended to Punish a Man or to Reform Him?"

Judge William Jefferson Pollard, a practical idealist, who presides at the Second District Police Court of St. Louis, asserts that the law becomes of more majesty when it saves one sinner than through the punishment of the ninety and nine.

MILLIONS FROM SALOON RESERVE.

"The liquor traffic of the country pays annually millions into the National and State treasuries. It is the greatest revenue producer of the country. Without the revenue derived from the liquor trade the wheels of the Government would come to a standstill. A trade which contributes annually millions for the support of the State and

Federal Government should not be assailed wantonly.—Wine and Spirit Gazette.

The above information (?) and argument (?) is worthy of the serious reflection of all patriotic and Christian people. Here we have a half truth which is really a whole lie. It is true the traffic does pay millions into the National and State treasuries. That is the half truth. The editor of The Wine and Spirit Gazette forgot to tell whole truth and tell us how much it takes out of the National and State treasuries to support jails, asylums, and countless reformatory and charitable institutions made necessary almost wholly as a result of this traffic's work.

But when it puts forth the claim that without its revenue "the wheels of the Government would come to a standstill" then it is time for all patriots and Christians to awake. If it is true Heaven pity the Republic! Must we sit by supinely and admit that this wealthiest and most prosperous nation on earth would collapse but for the revenue derived from the accursed traffic which Gladstone long ago said causes more woe than war, pestilence and famine combined? Has it come to this that our very existence as a nation is dependent upon its greatest foe? What say you patriots? What say you Christian men? Is this your highest conception of statesmanship? How soon will the people learn the fallacy, farce and fraud of the license system?

The revenue argument is the strongest defense the liquor traffic has left to hide behind. With the popular indignation against the liquor traffic constantly increasing, the liquor men are coming more and more to favor high license. They know that the more money they pay to the town, the State and the Nation, the more dependent these are upon the liquor traffic. The more money they pay in license fees, the greater immunity they secure from the passage of stringent temperance laws.

We opposed the increasing of the beer tax of a dollar a barrel on beer during the Spanish-American War for the same reason. We oppose the increase of the license fee always and everywhere, chiefly for the reason that it puts the municipal, State and National governments under increased obligation to it.

Again, the more money the local authorities compel the liquor traffic to pay in license fees, the more difficult it is to make them obey the law. They always cry "square deal" when local authorities charge them a large license fee, and then try to make them strictly obey the law.

The temperance forces of the country must give more attention to the problem of cutting down the revenue from the saloon, rather than increasing it, if they want to hasten the day of the final overthrow of the liquor traffic.—The National Advocate.

AN IMPORTANT MOVE IN EDUCATIONAL PROGRESS WHICH PROMISES MUCH FOR THE TEMPERANCE CAUSE.

All true friends of the high thinking, philosophic temperance of this day will be glad to learn that a great educational establishment has just seen fit to inaugurate in one of its collateral schools a curriculum where temperance has a bona fide educational recognition. The Indiana Inter-Collegiate Academy, which is an institution organized as a preparatory department under one of the oldest university charters of Indiana, which was granted by a special act of Legislature in the year 1851, has just announced its new curriculum in the catalogue for the season of 1906-1907, in which it publishes the fact that Scientific Temperance is required in all of its four (4) inter-collegiate courses of study, viz: Its Classical, Scientific, Literary, and Commercial courses. It is announced that students will be required to make the full credits in this subject of Scientific Temperance, the same as in Mathematics or any of the Literary branches before being guaranteed graduation. The lectures in Scientific Temperance are to be given by Prof. R. A. Bryson, M. D., who has lectured upon this subject for twenty (20) years. The doctor will demonstrate by living examples of tests upon animals, organic tissues and other interesting and convincing experiments, the absolute effects of every variety of alcoholic, maltous or other stimulant beverages, classifying the work inductively in a regular course, laid out in a practical text-book, so that the students will have a perfectly intelligent knowledge of the subject of such a nature as to unquestionably educate in them a self-elected adoption of the principles of Temperance.

This is the very first genuine compliance with the teaching of Scientific Temperance ever made by a higher educational institution in Indiana since its State Legislature passed the law requiring it as an element of all curricula of recognized schools, over ten (10) years ago. The political influence of the liquor selling element have heretofore been so all-potent as to successfully intimidate the grammar and high schools of the public system, and the colleges themselves, from compliance and this bold stand taken by The Indiana Inter-Collegiate Academy, in our opinion, entitles it to have the enthusiastic support of all families who believe in the temperance cause and who have looked for such an educational champion of their cause in the middle West.

The academy has just been recognized by the

faculty of The Union Technical Institute as its regularly accredited preparatory school. This action has been taken, in compliance with the new law, by which the Indiana Department of Education is required to exact from all applicants for matriculation in technical institutes in this State not less than one year of Academic training prior to admission to their technical studies.

THE NATIONAL PURITY CONFERENCE.

Will be held in Chicago, Oct. 9, 10, 11.

Its Importance.

The importance of this conference cannot be over-estimated. The time is ripe for united, national effort to be directed against the organized traffic in virtue. Events the past months of even more than usual boldness and flagrance have occurred to give publicity to this organized traffic. There is an interest in the Purity movement, awakened, no doubt, by these facts made public, much greater than before noticed by our oldest workers. People ever are looking to us to lead in some united effort which shall bring relief from this awful debauchery of our sons and daughters.

National Purity Federation.

This conference is called by and will be held under the auspices of the National Purity Federation which was founded at the National Purity Conference held in La Crosse, Wis., in October, 1905.

The conference will be held at Lincoln Center, at the corner of Oakwood Boulevard and Langley Avenue, (between 38th and 39th Sts., near Cottage Grove Avenue) and is conveniently reached from all parts of the city by car. The most prominent men and women of all sections of the country will present thorough discussions covering every phase of the purity question. Among them will be Rev. Wilbur F. Crafts, Ph. D., Mr. Anthony Comstock, Mrs. Lenora Lake, Rabbi Tobias Schaufarber, Dr. Mary Wood Allen, Rev. Father Coffey and a long list of others. The railroads grant a round trip rate of one fare and one-third upon the certificate plan.

THE ARMY CANTEN AND THE W. C. T. U.

At the Medical Congress recently held in Boston, Major Charles E. Woodruff of the United States Army made the following statement:

"Since the abolition of the canteen, there has been an alarming increase in drunkenness among the soldiers. For this the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is responsible through their hostility to the canteen."

Without any evident intention of so doing, the Major has paid a high tribute to the W. C. T. U. That our beloved organization has had influence with the United States Congress to abolish the canteen is certainly a cause of devout gratitude to Him who leads us in our "peaceful war" against the great evil that we combat.

Major Woodruff added: "The canteen is an evil, I admit, but it is by far the lesser evil when compared with the low dives which have sprung up around every army post since the canteen has been done away with."

In this statement the W. C. T. U. is again honored. "The canteen is an evil," an admitted evil, a danger to clean young men who enter the army and a temptation to those who have already become addicted to the drink habit. The W. C. T. U. is not responsible for "the low dives that have sprung up." Besides, we have it on high authority that these low dives existed before the canteen was abolished.

The major further adds:

"There are two classes of reformers, the ideal and the practical. The idealists cry 'No compromise with vice,' but as a practical man I claim that under these conditions we must compromise with vice if we promote the cause of temperance."

The major has again honored the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. It is an ideal organization. It does not compromise with evil. It is both ideal and practical. It took the high ideal position that our boys in the army ought not to be thrown under the influences of canteens, and especially those manipulated by the United States government. That the W. C. T. U. is practical as well as ideal is shown by their effectual work in influencing Congress to abolish the canteen.

At the close of his address Major Woodruff offered resolutions advocating the establishment of the canteen, but his motion met with strong opposition and was laid on the table.

TEMPERANCE SONGS.

Sing temperance songs in the home, in the Young People's meetings and at all meetings of the W. C. T. U.

The Government of Ontario does not permit liquor selling or gambling in chartered clubs. Why should any of the States?

Governor Folk, of Missouri, has enforced Sunday closing in Missouri's three great cities.

Governor Mickey, of Nebraska, recently refused to appoint an applicant to office because he was profane and a drinking man.

DR. STALKER ON DRUNKENNESS.

The Rev. Dr. James Stalker of Glasgow, in concluding an address to his congregation recently on the drink evil, said:

"It will always be the duty of the pulpit to insist on four things, not as matters of opinion, but in the name of God—first, that drunkenness is a deadly sin; secondly, that no drunkard shall inherit the kingdom of God; thirdly, that it is the vocation of Christians to use the most effective means for putting an end to anything that is dishonoring to God; and, fourthly, that the only perfect defense against drunkenness is a living, working and rejoicing religion; as the apostle says, well knowing why he places the two states in opposition to each other, 'Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess, but be ye filled with the spirit.'"—Evangelical Messenger.

The Jay County Convention met in the Friends Church at Walnut Corner with a good attendance. Excellent reports were given of the work done and aggressive plans were made for the year. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. S. W. Haynes, Portland; vice president, Mrs. Will Edmonson, Balbec; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Hannah Andrews, Red Key; recording secretary, Miss Grace Pontius, White Oak; treasurer, Mrs. Polios, Balbec.

Mrs. Haynes and Mrs. Edmonson were reelected to the offices they held during the past year, without one vote against them.

Superintendents for the departments selected as follows: Medal Contests, Millie Level, Red Key; Evangelistic Work, Mattie Worth, Bryant; Mercy, Eva D. Hunt, Balbec; Purity, Lizzie Grisell, Balbec; Mothers' Meetings, Almeda Hoffner, Bryant; Systematic Giving, Gertrude Fulton, Portland; Non-Alcoholic Medication, Emma Jay, Red Key; Franchise, Mrs. Maggie Williamson, Red Key; Flower Mission, Mrs. Lizzie Bourne, Balbec; Anti-Narcotic, Mrs. May Cookerly, White Oak; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Will Beard, White Oak; Jail and Prison, Mrs. Harriett Sanders, Portland; Scientific Temperance Instruction, Mrs. Daisy Eglin, Walnut Corner.

A reading by Mrs. Sadie West, entitled "Young America's War Cry," was enjoyed by all.

Much interest and enthusiasm resulted from the Parliamentary Drill.

Mrs. Will Edmonson of Balbec gave a reading in her own natural way.

The Convention adjourned by singing with clasped hands "Blest be the Tie That Binds."

LaPorte Union—July 13th was Sabbath Observance Day, the superintendent, Mrs. Rachel Bowers having charge. A very interesting program was given.

On September 7th the annual meeting was held at which Mrs. Dr. Wardner, a former president gave a short but very interesting and encouraging address.

Rev. Harmon led the devotional. The delegates to the State Convention were appointed.

Carroll County organized at last by Mrs. I. Goodacre, State organizer. Officers: President, Mrs. Alice Hanson; recording secretary, Miss Myrtle Snell; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Dr. Johnson; treasurer, Mrs. Clara Dunkin.

For County and Local Jail and Prison Workers, Dear Sisters: I kindly ask you to help me in remembering our ministers in the different parts of the State, that the last Sabbath in October is set apart for our special work. And that we will greatly appreciate their kindness shown by preaching on some phase of our great work. The needed information can be obtained by writing to Amos W. Butler of Indianapolis, Ind., who is secretary of State Board of Charities, who will gladly supply any and all ministers who write for literature. I also ask that our workers correspond with him. Yours for our cause,

SALLIE SHUGART EDGERTON,
Marion, Ind., R F D 3.

The National W. C. T. U. Convention will be held at Hartford, Conn., October 26 to 31, immediately following the World's W. C. T. U. convention which will be held in Boston, Oct. 17-23. Every white ribboner and every friend of the temperance cause who can do so should attend these conventions. The Indiana delegates and visitors will leave Indianapolis, Oct. 15, at 7:30 a. m. and will go straight through to Boston, arriving there Oct. 17 at 10:30 a. m. Oct. 17th will be observed as a "Day of Prayer" by the world convention in Tremont Temple, Boston. Our Indiana delegation will arrive in time to get settled and attend the prayer service in the afternoon.

Railroad tickets can be bought via the route we have designated from all points in Indiana. Make inquiries of local agents immediately and be sure and get certificates when ticket is purchased. **Read your ticket.**

The railroad expenses of the round trip from Indianapolis to Boston, Mass., and Hartford, Conn., will be \$29.00. Tickets good from Oct. 14, 15, 16, until Oct. 31.

No stopover privilege allowed except at Niagara Falls. The one and one-third fare granted is upon the certificate plan. Certificates to be signed at the convention.

Gentlemen will be welcome in the Indiana party. All friends of temperance will be eligible to the special one and one-third fare for the round trip.

FIELD NEWS

Liquor selling having been driven out of the army posts, the immigrant stations and the Capitol, and Secretary Long's order out of the Navy, also, there remains only the branches of the National Soldiers' Home to be captured—the last breastwork in the line of march.—Exchange.

Countess of Carlisle, president of the British Woman's Temperance Association, will be represented by her daughter, Lady Dorothy Howard. The Earl of Carlisle will accompany Lady Dorothy, and it is probable that he will deliver an address at one of our meetings.

"Jubilee Night" at the National Convention: "It has been decided to make some changes in regard to Jubilee Night, that more of our states may be able to have a part and the work be more widely encouraged. The plan, as formulated, is as follows: The states making a net gain of 500 members or more, to be represented by their state presidents in five-minute speeches as heretofore. Those making a net gain of 400 members to have four minutes; three hundred members, three minutes; 200 members, two minutes; 100 members, one minute. States making any gain whatever may be mentioned, but not represented.

World's Temperance Sunday November 25th.—Temperance Topic: "Temperance in Its Relation to the Individual and to the Nation."

Sunday School workers everywhere should rally to the help of the teachers. Whenever possible supply them with literature and such information as can only be secured from our temperance publications.

Owen County Convention was held at Spencer in the beautiful Methodist Church. Attendance was good. Excellent reports were given of definite work done in departments and on closing the saloons in Gosport. Mrs. McWhirter was present and delivered an address in the afternoon. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Bessie Strain, Gosport; vice president, Mrs. McClaren Spencer; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Notie Fox, Gosport; recording secretary, Miss Alice Willigan, Spencer; treasurer, Mrs. Florence Lawson, Spencer.

Colfax Ave. W. C. T. U. of South Bend gave a literary and musical entertainment in the auditorium of the Colfax school building, the evening of August 31st. "A Lark at Nonotuck Hall," a one act drama written by Miss Ruth Chew, president Bridgeton (N. J.) was well presented by seven high school girls. The climax of the play was the burning of patent medicines in the chafing dish. Parker's Tonic, 40 per cent alcohol, was used.

Thus our treasury was replenished and a profitable lesson taught.

The Guilford Union held a very interesting meeting at the home of Bessie Moody Templeton, Thursday afternoon, September 13th. The members responded to roll call with a scientific fact. The question of Scientific Temperance in the public schools was discussed with much interest. A letter from Mrs. Hattie Cottingham was presented to the Union in which she recommends highly the School Physiology Journal treating of Scientific Temperance. This journal should be in every school room in our country. A committee of two were appointed to visit our trustee and use their influence in getting this Journal in the schools. The Union renewed their subscription to the New Voice.

An election of officers was held and the following officers were elected: President, Miss Alta Hansell; vice president, Bessie Moody Templeton; secretary, Mrs. Jennie Ward; treasurer, Mrs. Eva Ward.

Hammond Union held a Mothers' Meeting with teachers of the public schools, with an able Purity program. Regular monthly meeting in November and December with plans and material for clothing the poor. In March a box of clothing to be Charity Hospital, Chicago which was a "help in time of need." Three dollars in January sent for State organization fund. Three hundred and fifty bouquets to the hospitals, jails and shut-ins, besides potted plants to the sick. Two hundred and fifty good literature distributed, a box of clothing to Frisco sufferers, a very successful institute was held in March. We were well supported by the pastors of the different churches, and a very able lecture on patent medicines by Dr. Jackson a White Ribboner. We have proof that the Scripture-text on bouquets have been the means of turning men to better lives.

A Grand Gold Medal Contest was given in the Presbyterian Church in Portland, Indiana, Wednesday evening, August 1st. The contestants were four boys and four girls. Each covered himself with glory and showed that he had careful training in his special work. The contest was not as well attended from Portland as it should have been and showed very plainly lack of interest or enthusiasm.

Pennville and Red Key sent large delegations and made a good showing. The judges were unanimous in awarding the medal to Elizabeth Humphries who gave "The Result of Treatings" in her own natural way.

Miss Humphries expects to compete for the diamond medal in the contest that will be given

during the W. C. T. U. State Convention which will be held in this city on October 6th. These contests are becoming quite a feature of our local Union and is one that should be encouraged. If we get the young people interested in this great work we will have accomplished great and lasting good.

Twelve dollars and seventy cents was realized from the contest which will be used to help defray the expense of the coming convention.

MRS. W. A. HUMPHRIES.

MY PEOPLE PERISH FOR LACK OF KNOWLEDGE.

The most far-reaching campaign ever inaugurated in connection with the temperance cause is that begun by Mrs. Mary H. Hunt in 1879 for compulsory scientific education in all the public schools of the nation. This work which has been carried to success in every State and Territory in the Union, is inspiring the people of Europe to use similar methods. In England the municipal authorities in some localities are causing to be placed on bulletin boards statements as to the evil effects of the use of alcohol. The borough of Hempstead has adopted a poster which is signed by the mayor, town clerk, and officer of health, of which the following is an extract:

"The abuse of alcoholic stimulants is a most potent and deadly agent of physical deterioration.

"If the mother, as well as the father, is given to drink, the future of the race is imperiled.

"Abstinence from alcohol is conducive to full physical strength and activity."

The authorities of Birmingham, Dundee, and Glasgow are issuing similar posters. Slowly but surely we are awakening to the truth announced through the inspired prophet ages ago, that people perish for lack of knowledge.

I have always observed the thread of life to be like other threads or skeins of silk, full of snarls and encumbrances.—George Herbert.

Horace Greeley once said: "I would oppose high license if every saloon keeper had to pay \$10,000 license fee, and the only one allowed to dispense the stuff was a Doctor of Divinity."

If we amount to anything in the world we owe the fact to woman—and we might, at least admit it and allow her to help us, with her superior intuition and character, in our law-making and our choosing of public officials.

Female suffrage will add millions of votes to the moral side, the common sense side of every election.

How much longer is this country to wait for it?—Chicago American.

A CANNED MISSIONARY.

The difficulty of obtaining and transporting fresh foods in Alaska has resulted in an excessive use of canned goods. In fact, the natives consider Americans and canned goods as inseparable. Recently some one sent a phonograph to the bishop of Alaska, which was the first one in Alaska. The natives were most interested and gathered about to hear the first piece, which was the Lord's Prayer. After it was concluded there was a moment's impressive silence, and then one of the Indian chiefs, pointing to the phonograph, said: "Him canned missionary?"—Selected.

The Committee on Temperance of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church has divided the nation up into districts for convenience in the work of its secretaries. Charles Scanlon will devote his energies to the Pacific coast, Dr. Worrell will have charge in the Central States while Dr. Fulton, the "new arrival," will work in the East with headquarters in Philadelphia.

The Evening Tribune and Telegraph, of Providence, R. I., in a recent issue lamented the fall of the canteen and expressed its contempt for the "mock" reformers of the W. C. T. U., etc. The reason why it did so is evident from its advertising columns, where 112 inches—over five and one-half solid columns—of liquor advertising flashed their lurid falsehoods to the Tribune's long suffering constituency.

The Kansas City, Mo., Star-Times says regarding Sunday closing in that city: Remember that figures do not proclaim the whole result of Sunday closing of the saloons in Kansas City, but they suggest the rest of the story. Chief Hayes testifies that Sunday arrests for one year under the closing order have been reduced 80 per cent and that Sunday crimes have been decreased 75 per cent. That pretty nearly reveals the part that saloons play in the disorders and the crimes of a great city.

McClure's Magazine and Collier's do not publish liquor advertisements. This ought to add to the popularity of these great journals among the friends of sobriety.

IN MEMORIAM.

Since the organization of the Sheridan Union, a little over a year ago, death has visited us twice and taken from our midst our beloved sisters, Mrs. Laura Mickels, who leaves a husband and one little girl and Mrs. Laura Owens (vice president) who leaves a husband and two little girls. Both were highly interested in the work and their death was mourned by the Union.

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PORTLAND CONVENTION NOTES.

The State W. C. T. U. recently held at Portland was the largest by a few voting delegates ever held by Indiana W. C. T. U. Mrs. Vayhinger, state president, presided with ease, grace and dignity. Always just, considerate and kind, making the timid feel at ease and encouraging all to best and noblest effort. Such Christian culture makes the convention platform home like and tends to develop the best in womanhood which always reflects back into the home.

The new Methodist church where the convention was held is very large and very fine.

The Young Men's Bible Class room is spacious and elegantly furnished, the furnishings up to this time costing about one thousand dollars.

The pastor, Dr. Line, was most cordial and hospitable toward the entire convention.

The choir furnished excellent music.

This was a very large convention, 293 voting delegates besides the many visitors.

Many new county presidents.

The adoption of a revised constitution took much time. According to the new articles of incorporation we elect nine state trustees who control our property (The Hadley Industrial School). These trustees are elected thus: Three for three years, three for two years and three for one year. Hereafter there will be three trustees to elect each year. From these trustees we must elect our five general officers, these of course for one year at a time.

Sunday was a great day—our speakers were not only in the churches of Portland, but they went out into the nearby towns. Mrs. Vayhinger spoke with great acceptability in the morning at the convention church. Collection taken at the close of the service even twenty dollars.

Great mass meeting Sunday afternoon in the convention church. The main address was given by Mrs. Trego, who wonderfully reached the hearts of the vast assemblage. There were several other speakers who were greatly enjoyed.

President Vayhinger's address was able and inspiring. It will appear in full in the annual state report. Every member should have a copy of this report. Order it from Miss Mary Woodard, Fountain City, Ind. Price 15 cents in stamps.

The Vice President, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, is our state lecturer—the wonderful report of this wonderful woman's work we give elsewhere.

Miss Mary Woodard, the corresponding secretary, read a very comprehensive and splendid report. This consecrated Christian woman leaves a remunerative college position to devote her entire time and energy to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union work.

Miss Clara Sears, state treasurer, than whom there is no sweeter spirit in all the W. C. T. U. has labored assiduously this year, taking care of all state funds and managing the long subscription lists of the *Message*. To read and look after nearly 6,000 names and addresses on the subscription list which must every one be either continued or dropped during the year, means careful and tedious work each quarter. Her report and that of the corresponding secretaries will be found also in the annual report.

Mrs. Walmer, state secretary of the Young Woman's branch, was prevented from attending the convention on account of the illness of an aged father.

Mrs. Ida Mix, state secretary Loyal Temperance Legion, made a splendid report.

Her work is an inspiration to all lovers of children. Her report should be read in all unions and greater interest will be manifested in organizing Legions.

Miss Edith Hillis, state president of the Loyal Temperance Legions (composed of the young men and young women, with her efficient corps of co-laborers has secured the co-operation of some of the most aggressive christian young people in our state. Indiana is justly very proud of Miss Hillis, who wins wherever she goes. We need her constantly in the field.

The young ladies who acted as pages, Miss De Ette Walker and Miss Marie Leck, are splendid representatives of the Loyal Temperance Legion.

The diamond medal contest in charge of Mrs. Julia Overman on Saturday night was very largely attended, and was a great success. Mrs. Overman is doing aggressive contest work

which will help to bring a prohibitory enactment for Indiana.

The Memorial Service was arranged and conducted by Mrs. Martha Gipe. This service was the most impressive and beautiful ever held at our state convention. The plan of service will be given in detail in the next issue of *The Message*.

Mrs. Florence D. Richard, national lecturer, spoke on Monday night to a magnificent audience of the delegates and the representative people of Portland. She delivered a masterful address. Mrs. Richards was sent by her Methodist conference in Ohio to the last general conference as a lay delegate. This was a great recognition by the Methodist ministers of her splendid character and ability in her own community.

Our own Mrs. Stanley will be employed by the state this year, a route for her being made by our corresponding secretary. The intention is to send Mrs. Stanley to every union in the state if possible without charge to the union. The union to widely advertise the meeting and to entertain Mrs. Stanley. A freewill offering to be taken at the meeting, this to be turned over to the state treasury. From the state treasury Mrs. Stanley will be paid. In order to make this plan a success it will be necessary for our people to advertise the meeting for weeks previous to Mrs. Stanley's coming. She will hold an afternoon meeting with the union and deliver an evening address.

Her route will be planned by the state secretary. She will of course go from one union to the next one of easy access and so on, making traveling expenses as small as possible. No services will be held on Saturday. Six days will count the week's work, rest on Saturday to be able for the great Sunday meetings.

General Officers of Indiana were re-elected.

State Convention Notes by Mrs. Mattie Cammack Gibson.

Our president held services in the Madison jail 35 Sundays of last year.

Miss Anna Thomas, of Marion, who has prepared herself for a newspaper woman, was made Superintendent of Press Work.

Mrs. Wheeler, our blind singer, gave us a number of solos at our convention in her sweet pathetic voice.

Mr. Nelson Listenfield, of Jay county, won the premium of a small gold medal for holding the largest number of contests.

Mrs. Sibbits, of Kansas, a minister in the Friends church and a national organizer, Mrs. Rebecca Trego, a national evangelist, Rev. Lewis Stout and Lucy Page Gaston were all with us over Sunday and helped fill the many calls for service.

By direction of the convention Coca-cola and pop will be analyzed and the truth in regard to the ingredients of these drinks given to the public.

The Indiana L. T. L. branch has 78 legions and about 3,000 members and near 1,000 subscribers to the Young Crusader.

There were 297 voting delegates at the convention.

Elwood Legion received the banner for paying the most dues and Grant county received the banner for organizing the most L. T. L.'s, seven in number.

Jay county won the banner for organizing the most unions, four in number.

Grant county received the banner for fullest corresponding secretary's report, and also the Sunday school banner for the best general work.

Hamilton county won a Sunday school banner for securing most temperance pledges in the Sunday school work.

\$1,000.00 was given Hadley Industrial School by Mrs. Sibert of Franklin, by the request of her mother, Mrs. Caroline Dietch. A fitting memorial was directed by the convention to be placed in the buildings for her.

Mrs. Trego's Plan.

She will begin her work in Indiana on November 18. She will hold three meetings in each place, all at one church, the local union in each instance to entertain her, provide the church and advertise the meeting. On the first day there will be a lecture in the evening; on the second day a woman's meeting in the afternoon and a lecture in the evening, with a freewill offering. On the

third day there will be a stereopticon lecture at night, to which an admission fee will be charged.

The beautiful solo, "Only Sixteen," was sung by Miss Leora Bogue, of Fairmount.

MEDICAL TEMPERANCE.

Dr. Martha Keller, superintendent of this department is proving that patent medicine is largely a fake by her alcoholic illumination. There has been given this year 240 addresses; many meetings on this subject.

A large number of unions are reading and circulating "Alcohol as a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine."

Purity in Literature and Art.

Dear Mothers: It is by the "Harp of the Senses" that character is formed and through character comes success or failure. What the child looks upon and what it hears becomes a part of its life. How necessary it is to keep that which the child looks upon suggestive only of the pure and the good.

Some billboards have been cleared of objectional pictures. Thirty addresses have been given and 25 meetings held and 36,625 pages of literature distributed in the interest of purity in literature and art.

PARLIAMENTARY LAW.

Parliamentary usage has become a kind of a second nature to our women. They practice it more or less and consequently think little about it and talk less.

Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, our former superintendent, having removed from the state, many reports were not made up and sent to her.

However, St. Joe county is the banner county with Mrs. Laura Wert Axtel as county superintendent and Grant county second.

"Robert's Rules of Order," "Lillian Cole Bethel" booklet and Mrs. Benjamin's cards are in general use in the state.

Thirty-two drills have been reported.

Mrs. Nettie Mattox, of Otterbein, is the new superintendent.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

Mrs. Outland said: "The only way we know our work is being done is by the reports that come in." Some good work done, not enough reported.

1275 reported signed the pledge.

27,677 pages of temperance literature distributed. 12 counties reported.

PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

Grant county stands at the head of the class in the work for peace and Miami second. Miss H. Livina Baily, our excellent superintendent in this department, has compiled an excellent booklet for this department, "Grotius," a study from the seventeenth century. This little book is a great story for peace and justice and should be in every home. Send to Miss H. Livina Baily, Richmond, Ind., for ten copies for 25 cents.

WORK AMONG RAILROAD EMPLOYEES.

I fear sometimes this department is almost omitted from our work. We seem to forget the thousands of men who hold our lives in their hands at the jeopardy of their own. Railroad yards, depots, are everywhere and they afford great opportunity for christian service.

Pages of literature distributed..... 15,300

No. of bouquets 50

No. of scripture text..... 50

Visits to railroad hospitals..... 33

\$125.00 raised to send a call boy to St. Louis and 88 quarts of fruit and 68 garments have been distributed.

Mrs. Anna Campbell.

FRANCHISE.

Mrs. Laura Thompson has labored most industriously in this department this year. Our women want the right of suffrage for the good they may do. Yet they do not want it quite bad enough or they would surely work a little harder at it.

SUMMARY.

Number of Plan of Work distributed..... 480

Pages of Leaflets..... 580

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IMPORTANT INDIANA STATUTES.

In Indiana we have a law which prohibits children from being employed in factories, stores, mines, etc under fourteen years of age.

Our Compulsory School Attendance law requires all children to fourteen years of age to attend school the full school year.

In Indiana night work for women and girls is prohibited between 10 p. m. and 6 a. m.

We are informed that now small boys work all night in glassworks and telegraph service in our state.

Our compulsory education law is not well enforced.

Much can be done by agitation. W. C. T. U. Unions should take these matters up; where the truant officers do not find the children, secure and report information to them regarding the children. Secure definite number of children by school enumeration and definite number in attendance at schools. Invite prominent persons to attend meetings. Report this information at your meeting, have the compulsory education law read and discussed. Send detail report of these proceedings to the newspapers, including a typewritten copy of the law read. Ask the ministers to urge the enforcement of all laws pertaining to children. Under this head is the pool room law. Get information and urge consideration. Keep at this kind of agitation and the officers of the law will get busy. They will see conditions and take action toward enforcement.

In annual executive session at Toledo the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, There are in the United States, adult men and women amply able to carry on all work in manufacture and commerce which requires to be done after 7:00 o'clock at night; and

Whereas, In the interest of public health and morals, it is not well that boys and girls should work at night, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the National Council of Women of the United States view with approval, the Ohio statute which prohibits the employment of boys under 16 years of age, and girls under 18 years of age after 7:00 p. m., and

Resolved, That the Council requests the National organizations affiliated with it to bring through their local branches and constituent bod-

ies, this excellent statute to the attention of the legislatures of all the states.

Will you kindly bring this resolution to the attention of your organization and let me know what action is taken upon it, in order that the report to the next Executive of the National Council of Women may give full credit to your organization.

Yours respectfully,

FLORENCE KELLEY,
Chairman Committee on Children.
105 East 22nd Street,
New York City.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

The Willard Souvenir Post Card is a neat card bearing the portrait of Miss Frances E. Willard in one corner, and a fine half-tone reproduction of her Statue in the other, together with appropriate scripture verses from her favorite quotations. In all, it is the prettiest Post Card yet produced. Mr. Coleman, the publisher is making an effort to place these cards in 1,000,000 homes by Miss Willard's heavenly birthday, Feb. 17, 1907, and offers to give \$100.00 in cash to the state purchasing the greatest number out of the million. If our state does what she can in this work, we will have a good part in a noble undertaking, and will be amply rewarded, and in case we do more than any other state, we will get the \$100.00 Let all unions purchase them in quantities, and sell them at a profit, and put the profit money in the Union Treasury. You can get them by addressing E. C. Coleman, Pub., Rocky Mount, Virginia, at the following prices: 5 for 10c; 20c per dozen; or \$1.50 per 100, all postpaid.

TEMPERANCE SONGS.

Sing temperance songs in the home, in the Young People's meetings and at all meetings of the W. C. T. U.

The Pennsylvania State Medical Society met in September at Bedford, Pa., passed a resolution urging the enactment of a new law providing for an asylum for destitute inebriates separate from the jail or poor house.

At the meeting of the Lamoille Baptist Association of Vermont the following resolution was passed: "Resolved, That we urge upon our lawmakers an opportunity for a popular vote on the repeal of our present high license and local option law and the adoption of a wise prohibitory law."

The Epworth Herald makes the following strong appeal in an article headed, "An Oklahoma Opportunity."

"Oklahoma this fall has the fight—and the chance—of its life. Congress gave it the chance when it enacted the statehood law with the provision that prohibition should be retained in the Indian Territory and on all Indian Reservations in what has thus far been known as Oklahoma proper.

"And there's the fight. Oklahoma is too rich a field for the brewers and distillers to be abandoned to prohibition without a desperate struggle. They dare not permit the state to write prohibition into its constitution if money and brains can keep the obnoxious clause out. The liquor interests have so much at stake that they will spare nothing to intrench themselves in Oklahoma, and without a doubt their ultimate purpose is to break down prohibition in the Indian Territory also.

"It is a great fight. If the temperance forces win we shall have a vast prohibition empire in the southwest. Look at the map! On the north is Kansas with constitutional prohibition. On the east is Arkansas, with local option rapidly driving the saloons out of the state. On the south and west is Texas, also a local option stronghold, with all the border counties "dry." Fourteen degrees of latitude and seventeen degrees of longitude, over which the saloon is either exiled or on the run!

"Now, Oklahoma cannot save herself. The enemy has unlimited resources in money and "influence." The churches and other bodies working for constitutional prohibition have no such backing. Throughout the country there is abundant sentiment in their favor, but such a campaign as this, which may settle the liquor question in the new state for all the time will need more than sentiment. It must have real money. The work will involve considerable expense, and there are no great corporations with a direct financial interest in prohibition whose money might help to make the campaign a success.

"What can Epworthians do? The mercy and help department is charged with the temperance work. Could we do anything more profitable, more definitely valuable, than the giving of practical support to our Oklahoma fellow Epworthians and their allies in this critical hour?

"Think about it, third vice-presidents. Talk about it with your committees. Determine that you will do something. Watch the papers for stories of the campaign. We shall have more to say next week about the League's opportunity in Oklahoma.

Cordially approving this appeal, Bishop William F. McDowell, president of the Methodist church Temperance Society, sends this message to the

great young peoples movement of that church through the Epworth Herald:

"Somebody once said: 'It is a glorious thing to see a nation saved by its youth.' Such spectacles have been witnessed more than once in history. The young people of the young empire of Oklahoma have such an opportunity now given them, in the chance to save Oklahoma from the presence of the saloon. God forbid that the youth of the state shall fail to come to the help of the Lord against the mighty.

"The Church Temperance Society sends greetings to the Epworthians of Oklahoma. And we trust that Epworthians elsewhere may send aid for the campaign. The forces of iniquity will not lack means to carry on their fight. But we can beat them—working together with God—we can beat them!

WILLIAM F. MCDOWELL,
President Church Temperance Society.

FROM SYRACUSE.

Our W. C. T. U. Institute was in session two days at the M. E. Church, with two State leaders present. Miss Clara Sears, our State Treasurer, had the institute in charge and Mrs. Thompkins assisted. Many great questions of importance were discussed and much good gained. Our city attorney, A. G. Cornelius, gave us some fine points on the Pure Food Law. Four new members were added. Our city is greatly aroused, as we have just voted a blank remonstrance and carried by a great victory throughout the township. Miss Clara Sears gave us a fine address on the first evening. The second was spent in vocal and instrumental music, recitations and a good talk by Mrs. Thompkins, relating to the recent trip to the World's Convention at Los Angeles, California.

(From Associated Prohibition Press)

McDonald County, Missouri, is rejoicing over the splendid effects of local Prohibition in that community for the past two years. Police business has been reduced to a minimum, higher prices for real estate and more mercantile business done, many important public improvements secured, with less crime, are among the many happy developments of the new era. In a recent news article regarding the situation, Judge Green, one of the leading district judges of the state, is thus significantly quoted: "One murder trial will cost the state fifty to one hundred times as much as a prosecution case for the violation of the liquor law." That seems to epitomize the reason that Missouri is rapidly driving out the saloon by county and local Prohibition contests.

A GLIMPSE AT WORLD WHITE RIBBONERS.

The personnel of this World's convention includes a host of brave Prohibition heroines who have carried the light of the Great Reform as an evangel to practically every race and people on the globe in the last two decades.

THE BRITISH DELEGATION.

The largest delegation of British women that ever came to this country to attend an international woman's meeting "in America" is the party of earnest reformers who will represent the United Kingdom at the World's convention. There are sixty-two members in the party.

Wives and daughters of members of Parliament, leaders in the Women's Liberal League of England, reformers, women's club members and church workers are all enrolled in the group, many of whom are making their maiden trips to America.

One of the influential members of the party is Mrs. Randolph Clarkson, the wife of a Birmingham, England, manufacturer. Mrs. Clarkson is a leading society woman of her city, as well as the friend and co-worker of the Countess of Carlisle, the president of the British Woman's Temperance association. Her special work is for the young woman workers in the huge factories of Birmingham, and throughout England.

Australia sends several noted women orators and leaders including Mrs. Ada Henry, Superintendent of the Young Woman's branch in New South Wales; Mrs. M. D. Thompson of Melbourne, treasurer of the Australian Union, and Mrs. Harrison Lee of Melbourne World's W. C. T. U. Missionary.

Among the many other delegates and visitors may be mentioned Germany's three representatives, Baroness Emily von Hansen, Frau Eggers-Smidt, and Miss Amalia Nix; Miss Ellen M. Stone, representing Bulgaria; Ramabai Joshi of India; Mrs. Kaji Yajima, president Japan W. C. T. U., and Miss Uta Hayashi, also of Japan; and representatives from Brazil, Bahama Islands, Burma, Cape Colony, Cuba, Finland, Syria and Uruguay.

World's Temperance Sunday is a day of great opportunity. Every minister should be asked immediately to preach a temperance sermon on that day. Temperance literature is inexpensive and should be secured for distribution. Do not let this day pass without definite work done.

STATE CONVENTION NOTES.

(Continued From Page One.)

Number of Franchise number of Union Signal..... 676
 Number lectures reported..... 29
 Number names secured on petition..... 979
 One page in Phalanx prepared by Mrs. Gibson, frequent mention is made of equal suffrage in sermons and addresses and strong resolutions are passed in local and county meetings.

Mrs. Laura Thompson.

Y BRANCH.

Our faithful secretary of the Y Branch did what she could in the past year. She found a hard field of labor. Many of our young people find a field of labor in the senior L. S. L. and it seems almost impossible to organize the young women in the Y branches. Nevertheless we still have some very active Y's in Indiana.

Vigo county has a new Y organized and mothered by the enthusiastic Terre Haute Y. Princeton, in Gibson county, has a new one also and Huntington is looking forward to one.

Mrs. Josephine Walmer.

SUMMARY OF LITERATURE REPORT.

No. of pages of literature distributed...135,787
 100 booklets and many contest books.
 244 Union Signals are reported taken, but presume there are many more.
 25 copies of New Voice and 231 other temperance publications taken.

Nine reading rooms are supplied with temperance reading mater and 32 wall pockets filled.

Literature has been distributed at 57 public meetings.

Mrs. Retta Jones.

ANTI-CIGARETTES.

Much free literature has been sent to Co. superintendents. Much more work has been done than reported.

An anti-cigarette entertainment has been printed in Phalanx. 56 meetings has been held in young peoples societies.

Twelve sermons preached on this subject. 20 addresses given and 12 recitations. 172 signatures to the pledge reported. If our unions would only learn the value of reporting thier efforts we would have a much beter showing for our work.

Elizabeth Linth.

SUMMARY OF FLOWER MISSION.

No. of bouquets and other floral gifts..... 9,608
 Growing plants..... 1237
 Text cards..... 5494
 Pages of flower mission literature 21841
 Visits to sick and needy..... 8548
 Pledges signed..... 742
 Glasses of jelly..... 850
 Garments to the needy.....13667
 Amount of money expended.....\$740.58
 Bibles given away..... 35

Much general work has been done in this department.

Mrs. Nellie Shugart Davis.

SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE.

The Conn physiology has been adopted by the State Board of Education and are already in the hands of hundreds of pupils. We are hoping and trusting that the great army of public school teachers, through these valuable aids, will do excellent service for the children.

5,000 pages of literature have been given out.

40 lectures on the subject.

60 visits to the public schools and this subject presented.

21 articles written for the press.

And more than \$40.00 expended in the work.

Mattie Cammack Gibson.

SUMMARY OF REPORT OF STATE LECTURER MRS. ELIZABETH STANLEY.

Unions visited..... 50
 Members secured.....235
 Honorary members secured..... 23
 L. T. L. members.....100

Held 15 institutes and county conventions.

Addressed 17 Sunday schools.

Addressed 13 public schools.

Addressed 9 open-air meetings.

Held 5 contests and gave 137 lectures for the W. C. T. U.

SUMMARY OF WORK IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Kathryn Wert Holler.

75 county and local superintendents were heard from.

69,216 pages of literature distributed.

1,133 persons signed the Sabbath observance pledge.

351 sermons were preached.

8,970 copies of the Sabbath laws were printed and circulated.

107 prayer meetings were held.

50 public meetings held in the interest of Sabbath observance.

Indiana and the Saloon.

AS THE INDIANA ISSUE SEES IT.

(From Associated Prohibition Press)

The latest figures for Indiana show that out of 1016 townships in the state 647 are now under the prohibitory law. 167 townships and 14 city wards containing in the neighborhood of 375,000 people have rid themselves of the saloon for at least two years to come. In an interesting resume of the gains in this state recently, the Indiana Issue makes the following comment:

"Fifteen counties have saloons in but one place each; thirteen counties have saloons in but two places each; thirty-four counties have a majority of their people living in prohibition territory; sixty-three counties have a majority of their townships in the dry column and there is only one county in the state that has not some prohibition territory. Yet, from only three counties has the saloon been entirely banished. Unquestionably in at least thirty counties the saloon is forced by a minority upon an unwilling majority of our people. Citizens in dry portions of these counties have to bear the additional burdens of taxation which the presence of saloons in wet portions increases. For example an intoxicated man in Piercetown, Kosciusko county, a few years ago, murdered his wife. It cost the taxpayers \$11,000 to hang that wife murderer. At another time a saloon in this same town had a \$2,600 murder in it while every saloon licensed in that county that year only paid \$2,300. One saloon in the little town of Burnett near Terre Haute, has had eight murders in seven years, two which cost the county \$5,500.

"Again, look at the conditions in our cities. Under our present law it is necessary to remonstrate against the saloon in each ward separately. If all the wards obtain a majority of their voters on remonstrances the entire city will go dry. If there is a failure in any ward that ward retains the saloon and thus fastens this dangerous institution upon the city, poisoning the moral environment not only of the city, but of the country population for miles around. As it is now only three of the eighty seven cities of Indiana are without licensed saloons while in nearly thirty of them the majority of the wards are dry.

"We believe that an amendment to our remonstrance law which will permit entire cities as such to remonstrate against the liquor traffic would in a few years place one-third of our cities in the dry column. We further believe that there is not a college or university town in the state but that would banish their saloons if the voters had the privilege of saying "No" on the question of license."

SOME OVER-LOOKED FACTS.

While this is encouraging regarding Indiana, we must not fail to point out that during the last ten years the number of saloons has increased nearly fifty per cent while the population has increased in scarcely half as great a ratio. The actual figures for the increase in the saloons and license money are as follows:

Years	License Rev.	No. of Saloons
1896.....	\$351,700	3,517
1897.....	366,000	3,660
1898.....	398,000	3,980
1899.....	409,200	4,092
1900.....	431,600	4,316
1901.....	485,000	4,850
1902.....	522,400	5,224
1903.....	496,500	4,965
1904.....	498,500	4,985
1905.....	528,500	5,285

REPORT OF WHITLEY COUNTY INSTITUTE.

(The following belated Institute Reports should have appeared in June issue. We rejoice that circumstances which delay the publication could not hinder the progress of the work.—Editor.)

The Whitley County Institute was held at Churubusco. Mrs. Rose Pearce, institute leader, and Mrs. Emma Presler, county president, conducted the institute. Encouraging reports of county superintendents were given and those of Flower Mission, Press and Sunday School work were very good. A large per cent of the children in Churubusco Sunday School have signed the temperance pledge in the last six months. The discussion on this subject brought forth the fact that 90 per cent of the children that sign the pledge keep it, and that 90 per cent of the older people who sign the pledge break it, thus showing the importance of training the children to be total abstainers.

The subject, "How Best Make Our Work Felt in Our Own Town and Community," was presented by Rev. Miller of the M. E. Church. Among the many good things he said, were, that practical work must be done, that neighbor must influence his or her neighbor to stand for the right, and that the White Ribbon Army stands for the best interests of the home. The Pure Food law was presented by the institute leader and in the discussion that followed many good thoughts and facts were presented; there is more tuberculosis that originates from eating diseased meat than could be traced from any other source.

"The Tred of Current Events and Their Portent," pointed very distinctly to reform movements all over our nation. Mrs. Pearce gave an able address on Monday night (May 21), which was enjoyed by all present. Tuesday night we expected to hold a grand gold medal contest but on account of the sickness of two contestants we had a literary entertainment; part of Tuesday afternoon's work was given at this entertainment. The paper on "Our Sainted Leader" was given by Mrs. Florence Lancaster of Columbia City; her thoughts were very good and her delivery faultless. The paper on "The Patriotism of Women," was presented by Mrs. Parker of Churubusco (U. B. minister's wife). We feel sure that if there were any present that doubted woman's ability and intelligence to cast the ballot that since hearing this able paper, they will change their minds.

PLAN OF WORK FOR 1906-1907.

Our aim is to double our membership before September 15, 1907. Let a campaign for membership be the first work of the year.

PROGRAMS.

Local unions and the Superintendents of Departments should prepare interesting programs on the various departments of our work, and invite outsiders to the meetings. This is one of the best methods of gaining new members.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

We urge our local unions to introduce our helps on teaching the quarterly temperance lesson into our Sunday Schools, and to pledge as many as possible of our Sunday School boys and girls to total abstinence.

OUR BRANCHES.

We urge our Unions to make greater effort the coming year to organize the young people and children into "Y's" and "L. T. L.'s."

SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

We urge our unions to see that the provisions of the Scientific Temperance Instruction law are complied with in all schools. Copies of this law should be in the library of every union. We recommend, also, that a copy of the School Physiology Journal be placed in the hands of every public school teacher.

MEDAL CONTESTS.

Unions should continue activity in the medal contest work. Each union should hold not fewer than three, the first of which shall be for the benefit of the Hadley School.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Local unions should take a firm stand against the forces that are undermining our Christian Sabbath, and should hold public meetings in which every possible means may be used to cause the arrest of thought on the subject of Sabbath desecration.

OUR PAPERS.

Recognizing the Union Signal as an invaluable aid in our work, we urge every Union to try to comply with the request to make the subscription list equal to at least one-fourth of its membership. We recommend that Unions supply themselves with copies of the Union Signal, Message, Phalanx, and Crusader Monthly, for free distribution and that the Union distributing the greatest number of copies shall receive a copy of the Union Signal free.

MEDICAL TEMPERANCE.

We recommend that each union make a special study of the subject of Medical Temperance, and that at least two meetings during the year be devoted to this subject.

FRANCHISE.

Since our legislature meets this year, an earnest effort will be made to secure the ballot for women. Every union will be expected to circulate petitions and use every other available means to influence our representatives in the Legislature to vote for an amendment to the constitution of the state which will secure to us full right of suffrage.

PRESS.

Recognizing the press as the most effective means of reaching the public with our principles, we urge local unions to appoint superintendents of the press department who will secure space in the local papers if possible and fill every line available.

ORGANIZATION.

Each local union is requested to send \$1.50 to the state treasurer to be used as an organization fund.

All poorly organized counties should begin at once to try and bring their organization up to the standard of at least six unions, with not fewer than ten paid members in each union, with a county organization.

COUNTY GAINS

All counties making a gain of fifty, seventy-five or one hundred members shall be on the program, on benefit night at the state convention, and shall share pro rata in the free will offering.

MISS MARY E. WOODARD.

MRS. GULIE SHUGART.

MRS. MARTHA GIPE.

MRS. SARAH E. MORGAN.

MRS. C. M. SMITH.

MRS. LIDA OUTLAND.

MRS. KATIE WERT HOLLER.

MISS EDITH HILLIS.

Committee.

FIELD NEWS

Miss Lora S. La Mance, State W. C. T. U. Press Superintendent of Missouri, writes that the White Ribboners have now secured the use of nearly one hundred columns in the different local papers of that state for the use of the temperance and Prohibition reform under the auspices of the W. C. T. U.

Woodford County, Kentucky, gave a majority of 533 for Prohibition September 20.

Bartholomew County Convention was held at Hartsville, in the M. E. Church. The following officers were elected:

President, Mrs. W. H. Buxton, Columbus; Vice President, Mrs. C. M. Handley, Columbus; Cor. Sec., Miss Laura Sims, Hartsville; Rec. Sec., Miss Birdella Beam, Columbus; Treas., Mrs. Mattie Steinbarger, Petersburg; Supt. of Literature, Mrs. Jennie Guffie, Hope; Supt. S. S. Work, Mrs. Ollie Wright, Hartsville; Supt. Contest Work, Mrs. Minerva Cummins, Hartsville.

The afternoon program included a silver medal contest with ten contestants. The silver medal was awarded to Miss Laura Sims, who recited "The Father's Prayer."

At night a gold medal contest was held in which there were six contestants, all acquitting themselves remarkably well. The gold medal was awarded to Miss Grace Mahaffy, who recited "Me and Hepsy." Miss May Cummins entertained the audience while the judges were out by reciting "Who Killed Joe's Baby." Hartsville union since February has held ten silver and one gold medal contest. We feel justly proud of our contest classes of young men and young ladies. Much credit is due to the Superintendent of Contest work, Mrs. Minerva Cummins, who is untiring in her efforts to make each contest a success. We have the honor of having our State President, Mrs. Vayhinger, as a member of our union this year, her husband being the Methodist pastor here.

Chapin Park union, of South Bend on Sep. 27th, was delightfully entertained at a musical at the home of Mrs. C. Fassnacht. The opening prayer by Rev. E. S. Shumaker was followed by a duette by Mrs. E. Stover and Harold Warner. Miss Bernice Morris next gave a reading. Mrs. C. Fulmer and Mrs. Walter Fassnacht pleased the company with a duette which was followed by a short address by Rev. M. H. Appleby, whose subject was "The Problems of Our City." A duette by Mrs. Will Taylor and Mrs. Lucian Snyder preceded a solo by Mrs. Fulmer.

Our own Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter was the guest of honor and delivered a magnetic address on "What the W. C. T. U. Has Accomplished," which was greatly enjoyed by all. Her pleasing personality always wins new recruits to the cause and inspires to greater activity those who are already enlisted.

Jay County Institute was held at White Oak Church in extreme north end of county. Was well attended. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley was the leader. She has been called "The Queen of the Platform" here. The institute was a success in every way; new members were secured. The Franchise petitions were circulated and signed freely. Several subscriptions to periodicals taken and last, but not least, delegates were royally entertained at the cozy country homes. The married peoples' contest, which was held the last evening by six gentlemen and ladies was splendid. The medal was awarded to Mrs. May Cokerly.

Mrs. N. C. Meadows writes: Evansville Central Union is saddened by the death of its most beloved and respected member, Mrs. Alvah Johnson. She was the leader of the women in Evansville during the crusade days, enduring rough treatment from the angry mob as bravely as our beloved crusaders did in the larger cities. She stood unflinchingly at the head during the darkest days of our pioneer work. Immutably brave where duty called, yet gentleness was her marked characteristic. Ever hopeful, no cloud was so dark as to hide from her its silver lining. She was for many years president of the local and also of the county work. It was remarked that "her presence ever made things go right" in our meetings. She had for several years withdrawn from active work, but she was ever ready to help, and her sympathy, hopefulness and prayers were indeed blessings to the workers of the union.

Her place can never be filled. "Well done, thou faithful servant, enter into the joy of thy Lord," will be her greeting in the resurrection morn, from the master.

Blackford County—The annual convention was held at Fairview. Opening Wednesday eve with Matron's gold medal contest, which was largely attended. Also highly entertained with speeches and music by young mens' quartette from Roll. Medal was awarded to Mrs. Chas. Pierce of Hartford City.

The convention proper met Thursday morning. Opened by our re-elected Pres., Mrs. S. M. Stahl. The meeting all the day was helpful and an uplift to all present. Our God is always on the giving hand and if he be with us, Oh W. C. T. U.

workers, who can be against us. Lecture was delivered in the evening by Mrs. Luella McWhirter, ex-State President.

The officers elected as follows:
Mrs. S. M. Stahl, president.
Recording Secretary, Mrs. Shannon.
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. L. J. Hudson.
Treasurer, Mrs. Slater.

Meeting closed with a new determination to fight on against the great curse in our land until everyone can sing, "No Saloons on Hill or Plain."

Winn Parish (county), Louisiana, in which Winnfield is the principal city, is now completely under the prohibitory law, Wards 8 and 10, driving out their last saloon in an exciting election September 7. Every other ward in the "Parish" voted out whisky nine years ago. This is the second "Parish" in the state to vote dry within a month.

At South Bend, a large number of W. C. T. U. ladies attended the Christian mission in South Bend. Several interesting talks were given, preceded by a half hour of prayer service. Mrs. Caroline Warner spoke of the evil found in patent medicines. Mrs. Pricilla Beyrer spoke of child culture. Mrs. Alfareta Cotton, Purity; Katie Wert Holler, The Sabbath; Mrs. Caroline Fassnacht, Temperance in all things and prohibition of all evil, especially the evil of alcohol and nicotine. More than an hour passed and still the audience was loath to go. The outcome of this meeting in all probability will be the organization of a Loyal Temperance Legion.

The Wells County Convention was held in the beautiful new Methodist Church at Poneta. Attendance was fine throughout. The house was packed at night for the great gold medal contest. Every union, except one, in the county was represented. The reports were good. Many useful things were put in a wonder bag for a sick sister who is very low with consumption. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, who was with us the week before and did such excellent work, gave the bag and the members filled it.

Hendricks County W. C. T. U. held its annual convention at Fairfield. Representatives were present from Plainfield, Avon, Danville and Fairfield unions. Officers for the year are: President, Mattie Chandler; Recording Secretary, Pearl Hadley; Corresponding Secretary, Cora Heesong; Treasurer, Susannah Hadley. The reports from the Departmental Superintendents showed good work done. Several mothers' meetings had been held, flowers and food distributed to sick and money raised for Hadley Home. A bountiful dinner was served at noon by the ladies of Fairfield. In the afternoon Rev. Mary Cox, of Indianapolis, gave a very interesting talk along the line of temperance work among the children. She urged that the children be organized for this work.

At Moore's Hill a diamond medal contest was held in the M. E. Church. Glen Newton of Columbus was awarded the medal.

The Steuben County Union met in convention at Ray. The union at Ray being organized we had, as was to be expected, a very excellent meeting. With Mrs. Mary McTaggart as president, assisted by Mrs. Edith McNaughton, Rev. C. M. Smith and wife and other able co-workers of Ray, it was no surprise that the convention was a success.

A few from outside of Ray, whose names were on the program, were absent, but their places were well and easily filled by others. One of those called out unexpectedly was Mrs. Nellie Baily of Angola, who gave an intensely interesting reading. The address of Rev. C. McLeod Smith, of Ray, on "The teaching of Morals in the Public Schools" ought to be heard by every teacher and patron of the public schools.

The music, mostly furnished by Miss Ethel McLouth, of Ray, showed painstaking care in its preparation and added much to the occasion. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley gave an address each evening, which it seems unnecessary to say, was clear cut and convincing against the liquor traffic.

We who were at Ray as guests were treated as friends whom they were delighted to entertain, rather than delegates who must be endured.

Mrs. C. McLeod Smith was elected county president in place of Mrs. Hannah Willennar, who felt that she needed a rest after her eight years of faithful service, but we still keep her at the post of duty by electing her vice president. Aside from this the old officers were re-elected.

We came away from Ray feeling that while it is small as a town it is mighty in the moral force of its people.

THE INDIANA DELEGATION and visitors to the World's and National conventions went through to Boston in a special sleeper "Biscay." Oct. 16 at 7:30 a. m. the party leaving Indianapolis consisting of the following persons:

Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Mrs. Amanda Whitson, Mrs. Martha Gipe, Mrs. Frances Boyer, Miss Fern Boyer, Mrs. Alma Kroft, Mrs. Laura Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Baricklow, Mrs. Irene Gard, Mrs. Jennie Trees and Mrs. Jeannette Gilmore. At Anderson Misses Luther and Clara Knight joined the party and at Winchester they were gladdened by the presence of Miss Mary Woodard and Mrs. Sumner

W. Haynes. At Cleveland they welcomed two more to their number, Mrs. Caroline Fassnacht and Mrs. Amanda Shedd.

In justice to yourselves, white ribboners, order the convention numbers of the Union Signal. Send ten cents in 2-cent stamps to the Union Signal, Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill. These conventions will be of unlimited interest to you and read items concerning them to the home folks at the evening meal and afterwards. Tell everybody about the great work of the World's and National W. C. T. U.

The Alabama Baptist, editorially says:
"Meantime let it be written in capital letters: **The closing of all liquor-selling establishments in our state, will do more than any other one thing to diminish crime in the state.** So long as the white people allow liquor to be sold to negroes for the sake of the revenue it brings, they will be responsible, in part at least, for the crimes that the liquor-besotted negroes commit. We cannot escape this responsibility.

Howard County convention was held in Lynn Scorch one and one-half miles east of Rushville. There were representatives present from nearly all the seven unions.

An address on "Social Purity" by Mrs. Ida Wygant of Kokomo; paper on Mercy Dept, Mrs. Nora Gause; "Temperance Work in the Sunday School" by Rev. N. Hodgkin and "Sabbath Observance," Rev. Frank Stafford, were all uplifting and inspiring and the women of Howard county W. C. T. U. were stirred to greater activity along the various departments of work.

Mrs. Retta Jones was the speaker of the evening and surely all who heard her felt well paid for coming out.

Miss Hazel Pharis and Mrs. Rhett Snyder each gave a recitation. The music was furnished by the choir.

Every woman who had the privilege of hearing Mrs. Rebecca Trego at our state convention in Portland will want her in her own union, and will be glad to know that she will give some time to our state. The following is her plan:

She will begin her work in Indiana on November 18. She will hold three meetings in each place, all at one church, the local union in each instance to entertain her, provide the church and advertise the meeting. On the first day, there will be a lecture in the evening; on the second day a woman's meeting in the afternoon and a lecture in the evening. On the third day there will be a stereopticon lecture at night, to which an admission fee will be charged.

Mrs. Trego will also organize new unions where possible and will make a special effort to get new members and build up unions already organized. Those wanting the services of Mrs. Trego, will please write to your state corresponding secretary, who will have charge of her route. By her terms there is no financial risk to the union engaging her, and I earnestly hope she may receive many calls in our state. Let us use every available means to advance our cause this year. Yours for a great advance,

Mary E. Woodard, Cor. Sec.
Fountain City, Ind.

Editor Message: Through the columns of your paper I wish to announce a need of our local union at Danville.

We have placed Wall Pockets in the two waiting rooms at the Big Four station. Over these we have hung nicely framed pictures of Miss Willard and Neal Dow.

Our station agent as well as the general superintendent commended us and wished us success. We are ambitious to keep a creditable up-to-date supply of literature in these pockets. I thought if our need was understood that some good people would donate literature on christianity, temperance, purity, Sabbath observance, Franchise, Anti-Cigarette, tobacco, etc.

Whatever literature sent will be appreciated.
Sarah M. Hadley, Danville, Ind.

St. Joseph County—Mrs. Kathryn Wert Holler of Chapin Park union gave a very interesting "Chart Talk" on Sabbath Observance before the Y. W. C. A. during the vesper hour. The young ladies expressed great appreciation. Our Katie has a way of her own in impressing the truth upon her hearers.

Universal Suffrage has been granted in Finland to all people over twenty-four years of age. The Czar has granted his approval.

IN MEMORIAM.

In memory of Lettie Smith, of Richmond: As Jesus of Nazareth passed by and called our sister home to rest. How often we will miss the welcome face and see the vacant chair. Ah, we know so well she is not here, but gone to dwell with the angels fair. Oh what a lesson she taught us each day by her meek and gentle words. She has gone to meet those who have gone before. She is waiting for us there.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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THE WORLD'S CONVENTION.

The seventh world's gathering of White Ribboners was held in Tremont Temple, Boston.

The welcome banquet was held on the first evening in Tremont Temple, 1,010 persons being seated, including White Ribboners and temperance leaders from many lands. The pictured face of Frances Willard, the founder of the World's W. C. T. U., hung above the platform. Above it the words, "Now, therefore, we are no more strangers and foreigners."

Mrs. Katharine Lente Stevenson, the able president of the Massachusetts W. C. T. U., extended welcome on behalf of the State, and then introduced Hon. John D. Long, ex-Secretary of the Navy, as toastmaster. He said:

"If anybody regards this occasion as one for the exploitation of any narrow, illiberal, impractical or one-idea crusade in the matter of temperance, he entirely mistakes it as well as the purpose and principles of the earnest and devoted women who have it in hand. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union is not a fad, but one of the agencies of that universal reform in society and politics and civilization which was never under a more vigorous impulse than it is to-day. Of the evils of intemperance, its terrible results in poverty, crime, suffering, demoralization and corruption of all sorts, not only have the members of this union a lively sense, but in their sentiment in that respect they represent the best and deepest convictions, not of a mere sect or special organization, but of all good men and women the world over, and to that extent certainly they deserve, not a sneer, but the cordial co-operation of all who love their fellowmen."

For the W. C. T. U. of the United States, our president, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, spoke with great earnestness and cordiality.

Welcome from the churches of Boston was extended by the Rev. P. S. Henson, D. D., pastor of Tremont Temple church. In concluding, he said:

"There are celestial angels and terrestrial angels, and in the faces of the latter is shining the light of love and hope; and in their voices is sweet music. There are baron brewers and rich distillers who are coining money out of the tears and blood of the weak. But oh, if they could only see this advancing host, they would flee for their lives."

Responses were made by Miss Agnes Slack, representing Lady Henry Somerset, the world's president, the Earl of Carlisle, for his wife, Countess Carlisle, president of the British women; the Baroness von Hausen for Germany; Miss Sevasti Callisperi for Greece, and Mrs. Wright for Canada.

A welcome song written for the occasion by Mrs. Katharine Lente Stevenson (author of "Some Glad Day") was sung.

The decorations of green mingled with the bright colored flags of the nations, and the national banners of the W. C. T. U. of many lands was a fitting background for such a company of the world's temperance leaders.

The health of the loved president, Lady Henry Somerset, of England, prevented her from attending. Our own, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, as vice-president of the World's Union presided. A message of greeting from Lady Henry was read—in part it follows:

"My Dear Friends and Comrades—My heart is with you to-day, on the opening morning of the convention of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and my memory goes back to the day in Faneuil Hall, when for the first time I came face to face with so many comrades, now well-known and beloved friends. You are glad to be refreshed by companionship to learn from one another, and to get new inspiration from this great assembly."

"But although you have come to your work from different points of the compass, you have all arrived at the same conclusions, you are all one in aim and in principle. To protect the home, to banish the saloon, to shelter the weak, to preserve the strong, these are your intentions in your warfare against the liquor traffic. This is the reason for our existence as a great world-wide society. In your convention many subjects may arise over which you may differ or disagree, but I pray most of all for you that the power of the spirit of God may be in your midst."

Delegates from 31 countries were present. All parts of the United States were represented.

There were 366 delegates, the largest delegation from abroad being that of England, with 61 delegates. Countess Carlisle, their president, is not a good sailor so she did not come, but was represented by her brilliant daughter, Lady Dorothy Howard, twenty years of age, who was accompanied by her father, the Earl of Carlisle.

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With the exception of Lady Henry Somerset, the World's president, all of the World's General Officers were present. Lady Henry sent the following message, which was read by Mrs. Stevens:

My Dear Friends and Comrades: My heart is with you on the opening morning of the Convention of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and my memory goes back to the day in Faneuil Hall, when, for the first time, I came face to face with so many comrades, now well-known and beloved friends. The tie that was formed so long ago has not loosened with the years, but rather in the stress and strain of work has it been drawn closer. Every year that we try honestly to labor for the welfare of the world, must bring to us a deeper appreciation and a truer realization of the truth of the work that others are doing. We know more of the difficulties, we understand the unending weariness of the fight, the courage that is demanded, and the unflagging enthusiasm. And so to-day when I think of you meeting in convention at Boston, and I know how long is the way that so many have traveled, how difficult has been the journey, and how great the obstacles which have been surmounted, my whole heart goes out to you in warmest and most sisterly greeting. I would that we could stand face to face, and that I might have the privilege of clasping your hands, but as that is now impossible, you will take the written, instead of the spoken word, and you will know that it comes with a sincere affection, and a loyal appreciation of your service."

You come gathered from many countries, you bring to the Convention experiences many and varied. You are glad to be refreshed by companionship, to learn from one another, and to get new inspiration from this great assembly. But although you have come to your work from different points of the compass, you have all arrived at the same conclusions, you are all one in aim and in principle. To protect the home, to banish the saloon, to shelter the weak, and to preserve the strong; these are your intentions in your warfare against the liquor traffic. And there is another motive power—the fulfilling of the will of God, which gives the great impetus to your work, the fulfilling of His will in the legislative history of nations, as well as in individual lives. This is the reason for our very existence as a great world-wide society. It is the foundation upon which the whole structure of our temperance work is built.

Nothing, we believe, is to-day more destructive to the well-being of any people than the organized liquor traffic. Nothing makes it harder for men and women to fulfill the destiny for which God created them, nothing undermines principle, saps vitality, wastes resources and devastates homes, more than the drink habit, which is the fateful heritage of nearly the whole civilized world. The children of the younger lands need to have much patience with those who appear to be taking more devious ways to undermine the enemy, for a frontal attack may be in some instances the best tactics, but at times it is necessary to cut off supplies, a method which involves long waiting and watching, but may be, in the end, the most effectual. That is the faith which some of the most experienced veterans in the temperance movement hold in my country.

Christ's mission is our mission, however much we falter and fail in its fulfilling. "Lo I come to do Thy will, O God." If that will be fulfilled, all is well. If our purposes are not in accord with it, then let them fail. If they be a part of it, they must succeed. Thus life becomes more beautiful, more blessed, and we do not shrink at the thought of the day when sickness, with gentle hands, shall address the soul for death, when Death shall take her nursing and lull the tired body to sleep, for the soul will be released to do God's will in the purer atmosphere of its native land. So as I greet you to-day, and as I think of you, I thank God for all the devoted service of your veteran leaders. I pray that many young and strong may be raised up to do and dare, and I believe that right will prevail, and that our prayer, that God's will be done, will be triumphantly answered.

In your Convention, many subjects may arise over which you may differ or disagree, but I pray most of all for you, as I sit writing this letter, and looking out over the quiet autumn world, that the power of the Spirit of God may be in your midst. The great mystic, Jacob Bohme, has said, "When the heart begins to despair of human methods, and falls back again upon God, then God's help begins to work through human means." May

there be in your midst a deep sense of that power. May the golden light of charity be round you as an aureole, and may hand clasp hand in that loyal comradeship which gives united strength; and may this Convention draw you closer to the Unseen. In your midst, I believe, will be the presence of an innumerable company of those who pray for us, and work for us, from the other side. They have seen the larger aspect of every question, they have understood the true proportion of every cause. May their gentle influence obtain, that your meeting together may be a renewal of your faith and love in God, and a deeper devotion to your brothers and sisters in the world.

Yours in this holy tie,
(Signed) ISABEL SOMERSET.
Governor Guild, of Massachusetts, and Mayor Fitzgerald, of Boston, both made strong addresses of welcome.

Miss Anna A. Gordon, Secretary of the Loyal Temperance Legion Branch, gave an encouraging report. The Legion is doing active work among the children in Australia, Bulgaria, Cuba, Cape Colony, China, Chile, Canada, Burma, Bermuda, Japan, Madagascars, Mexico, Norway, Sierra Leone, Panama, Finland, India, Iceland, South Africa and other countries, besides the great amount of Legion work in the United States.

The Secretary's report showed great advancement. Only a brief summary can be given.

Gains have been made nearly everywhere, in numbers and in interest.

Greatest proportional gain in Sweden. Temperance restaurants established.

Ireland has had a large increase.

Iceland reports good work.

Madeira receives assistance from physicians who publicly warn the people against the use of liquor.

In Transvaal, South Africa, permission has been granted the W. C. T. U. to visit every prison and to teach the gospel to all women.

Scotland has a large membership and does practical work for sentiment making.

Egypt has 29 Christian Endeavor Societies and 172 Sabbath Schools in which the W. C. T. U. is agitating the need of temperance.

Denmark maintains a home for alcoholic women; efficient work is done.

Australia pushes legislative work effectively.

The German W. C. T. U. sent a petition to the War Department asking the department to discontinue the issuance of wine to troops in South Africa and received a favorable reply. They are now sending non-alcoholic fruit juices instead of liquor. Great progress is being made in scientific temperance instruction in the school.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Credentials Committee reported the United States with 212, England and Wales 70, Canada 18, Scotland 15, Japan 5. Besides these there were present representatives from France, Spain, Austria, Australasia, Germany, Fiji Islands, Madagascar, New Zealand, Mexico, Brazil, Argentina, Chili, Cuba, Syria, Finland, Madeira, Uruguay, Bulgaria, Burma, Bahamas, China, Natal, Newfoundland, Cape Colony, Greece, Egypt, Sweden, Denmark, Norway, Ireland and India.

Lady Henry Somerset sent a message thanking the World's W. C. T. U. for the privileges and honors of the past and declining re-election.

The following officers were elected:
President, the Countess of Carlisle, England;
Vice-President-at-Large, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, U. S. A.; Honorary Secretaries, Miss Agnes E. Slack, England, and Miss Anna A. Gordon, U. S. A.; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary E. Sanderson, Canada.

When Mrs. Stevens announced the election of the Countess of Carlisle as President of the World's W. C. T. U., she said she would like for her daughter, Lady Dorothy Howard, to say what she would.

From the Union Signal: With an enthusiasm that testified to a world-wide admiration and affection for both mother and daughter, the women of thirty-one different nations rose and saluted the beautiful girl with the waving of flags and of handkerchiefs. And as the stirring notes of the cornet and the swelling tones of the great organ united with human voices in the grand hymn, "Best Be the Tie That Binds," the heart was lifted up, the mind leaped forward, and the taking of the world for Christ's own kingdom seemed not so far away.

Lady Dorothy Howard: Mrs. Stevens and Fellow Workers: I cannot tell you how I grieve that my mother cannot be here herself to express her
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FOR CHRISTMAS.

The Union Signal, making 52 visits a year to a friend, will be the most helpful present that can be made to an intelligent Christian girl or woman. The Washington letters alone are of far more value than the one dollar subscription price to the paper.

If you are an actual friend of woman's temperance cause and a subscriber to The Union Signal, go right away to women of intelligence and solicit their subscriptions to begin January 1st.

Send The Union Signal to your pastor and to a High School teacher.

The Message contains some interesting accounts of the two great W. C. T. U. Conventions, just enough to show something of the magnitude, interest and enthusiasm.

If you would like to know more about them and are not a reader of The Union Signal, send a little note enclosing 10 cents in postage to The Union Signal, Evanston, Ill., asking for the Convention numbers and you will be delighted with the accounts of the Conventions and the pictured faces of prominent women in the W. C. T. U. of the whole world.

The Indiana W. C. T. U. will feel the inspiration of the great Conventions held at Boston and Hartford just in proportion to the information concerning it. A goodly number of our members attended and from these the unions and counties will be inspired to aggressive work. In public meetings read aloud the addresses of Lady Henry Somerset, the Governor's and Mayor's, the pastor of Tremont Temple and of all the short addresses of Lady Dorothy Howard, the beautiful fair-haired English girl, twenty years of age, who represented her illustrious mother, the Countess of Carlisle, the President of the British women and is our newly elected President of the World's W. C. T. U.

Lady Dorothy has been reared in the atmosphere of courts and castles. She rises her influence for Christ and humanity.

Prohibitionists elected to six State Legislatures: Minnesota elects five legislators; Washington, Mr. Cotterill, National Grand Chief Templar, elected State Senator; Illinois elects six legislators; Pennsylvania elects two legislators.

Daniel Friend, of Manchester, Mass., made a bequest of \$2,000 to be left in trust, annual income to go to Massachusetts Prohibitionists.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

My Dear Sisters: We plan to-day, to-morrow our plans become history. For many weeks our State Superintendent of Transportation has been laying plans in her own loving, untiring way for the comfort and pleasure of the Indiana delegates who were to attend the World's Convention at Boston and the National at Hartford. At last the last preparation was made and the party gathered at Indianapolis on October 17th, and started on their long journey at 7:30 a. m. Mr. and Mrs. McWhirter, Dr. Boyer, Mr. Kroft and a few other friends gathered to see us off. Our party consisted of nineteen women and one man, Mr. Barnicklow, of Frankfort, and no man was ever more patient and helpful than he. At Anderson Mr. Boyd, of Indianapolis, who conducted our Los Angeles party, came into the car and renewed the friendships of last year. At Winchester, Mr. Sumner Haynes came aboard and accompanied us as far as Union City. The day was delightful and it was a happy party which talked, sang, wrote, lunched and viewed the scenery of Northern Ohio and New York that day. As the shades of evening fell about us, we passed through all the coaches and invited all white ribboners into our car and a delightful service was held. California, Illinois, Kansas, Ohio and Colorado were all represented, and we committed the work and the workers to Him who has said, "Not by night, nor by power, but by my spirit saith the Lord of Hosts." The first day in Boston was spent in getting located and in sight-seeing. Fanueil Hall, Old South Church, the magnificent State House, the famous public library of Boston, were all visited. The old King's Chapel, with its cemetery, containing the remains of the earliest settlers of the colonies, was full of interest.

Lady Henry Somerset not being able to be present, our own Mrs. Stevens presided over the great Convention, in which were representatives of thirty-six countries and islands. One of the most interesting was Madame Kaji Yajima, of Japan, who is seventy-four years old, cannot understand a word of English, yet traveled thousands of miles that she might meet and greet and gather inspiration from others engaged in the work so dear to her heart. She spoke through an interpreter, her great niece who has been attending school the past year in California. As Madame Yajima spoke of her religious birth, twenty-six years ago, her face glowed with a heavenly light and with her hand over her heart she pledged her love and remaining days to the cause of Christ as represented by the W. C. T. U. She visited the Hartford Convention also and as she parted from us Mrs. Stevens wrapped her in a beautiful silk American flag, presented by Mrs. Thacher, twined with the white ribbon, and all joined in singing, "God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again."

Mrs. Harrison Lee, President of the Australian W. C. T. U., arrived too late for the World's Convention, but was in the National almost the entire session. She is a charming woman, with a strong personality and presents her cause in a manner to win friends to it. We forgave her for thinking she could cross from San Francisco to Boston in two days, after we met her and learned to love her.

The consensus of opinion as expressed by the foreign delegates was that this was the biggest country, with the biggest buildings and the biggest people they had ever seen.

The Earl of Carlisle expressed his surprise and admiration for the American women and for the methodical parliamentary manner in which they carried on business. We could understand his surprise, when we saw how differently the foreign delegates presented matters to the Convention.

It was a great occasion, great presentations of great truths, by great women, and Indiana delegates and visitors were glad we could sing, "We All Belong." I desire to present some National plans in the next Message.

CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

RED LETTER DAY FOR PEACE.

Our Red Letter Day for Peace occurs this year on December 16 (the third Sabbath in December). Let each local Union make a strong effort to secure its observance by requesting pastors and evangelists to preach sermons in the interests of Peace and Arbitration, or by holding public meetings in the interests of this reform. Programs and data for such meetings and literature for distribution can be obtained at cost from the office of the National Peace Department at Winthrop Center Me. (Send two cent stamp for sample copy of program.)

It is hoped that on this day special effort will be made to inculcate from a Christian point of view the great principles of peace and justice between man and man, and between nations and nation, in order that people, young and old, may be led to see that a full acceptance of the teaching of Jesus Christ implies an acceptance of His doctrine of love and brotherhood. "Nothing but the Golden Rule of Christ can bring about the golden age of man."

HANNAH J. BAILEY,
Supt. Na. W. C. T. U. Dept. of P. & A.

SERMONETT—1,000 MORE.

"Love Thy Neighbors as Thyself."

Every right-minded W. C. T. U. woman is quick to comprehend and acknowledge the good that has come to her from engaging in this blessed work for humanity, and so the magnanimous spirit would be a great desire to have her neighbor enjoy the same great blessing, and develop into a magnetic power for God and man. Our neighbors and our neighbors' children should be a great burden on our hearts. As we labor to save our own others are helped; as we labor to save others we save our own. Now every loyal, earnest W. C. T. U. woman should register a vow to help awaken and arouse the righteous, yet dormant, conscience of 1,000 women of Indiana. Let her say I will be the agent for bringing one woman into our work and as many more as possible. If 1,000 women will do this we will have a great jubilee feast at the close of the year and will not be forced to stand before Mother National humiliated and crest-fallen, because we buried our talent while others come with hands filled with great sheaves of victory.

MATTIE CAMMACK-GIBSON.

MOTHERS' MEETING.

My Dear Sisters: I have received many letters saying: "I have been appointed Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, will you please help me; tell me how to begin." First look to God, He is our strength and power. "If any man lack wisdom let him ask of God, who giveth to all liberally and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him." James 1:5. Then use the means at hand. Secure some influential home where you may hold a mothers' meeting, ask your pastor to preach on parent's problems, what we owe our children, child culture, responsibility of parents—something that will touch, stir and arouse the hearts of parents to the great responsibility that is theirs and that they will have to meet whether they will it or no. At the close of the sermon have announced, when and where the mothers' meeting will be. Have a well prepared program. The opening devotions should set the keynote of the meeting and be pure, spiritual and impressive. God's word and His blessing must be our dependence; they are our secret of power. Never forget that we are a Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Have an appropriate Bible reading; if from different verses have them selected. A wild hunt for verses during the Bible reading detracts from its value and impressiveness. Original papers will add to the interest of the meeting, but not all women are competent or willing to write them, more will be willing to read a leaflet or a chapter in some book. After which have a discussion. Get all to take part in the discussion and as they talk on these very important topics they surely must become aroused. Dear women, the past is history, the future is before us, but we deal with the present. Let me beg of you in the name of Jesus and for humanity sake, to take up this work. Go in His name the Bible, your text-book, the Holy Spirit, your guide and God will bless you and make you a blessing to others.

Yours in His name,

MRS. S. M. STAHL.

A KIND APPRECIATION.

The State Convention of the W. C. T. U. recently held in Portland, Ind., sent by Mrs. Studybaker, one of its members, a message of Christian greeting to the State Conference of Charities and Correction, held at Muncie at the same time. Two able papers read in the Conference that forenoon, one by ex-Auditor of State William H. Hart, the other by Superintendent York of the Indiana Boys' School at Plainfield, charged the open saloon with being chiefly responsible for the criminals, the homeless orphans, paupers and other defectors and dependents in our State; and Timothy Nicholson, in alluding to and indorsing these statements, moved that the President and Secretary of the Conference be instructed to appropriately respond to the greeting of the W. C. T. U., an organization which has always exposed and opposed the American saloon. The motion was seconded and unanimously supported by a rising vote of the Conference. As the W. C. T. U. Convention adjourned a day earlier than the scheduled date, this appreciative greetings was unfortunately not received by the Convention. We are glad, however, to hand it round, though somewhat tardily, to the members through the Message.

Dearborn County Convention was held at Moores Hill, September 28, and was an interesting and helpful session. Reports of officers and superintendent showed increasing interest and knowledge of the aims and methods of the organization. A large number of delegates from local unions were in attendance, and all were stimulated to greater zeal in the work, "For God and Home and Native Land." In the evening a diamond medal contest was held. The beautiful medal was awarded to Glenn Newton, of Columbus, Ind.

In Memoriam—Moores Hill Unions suffers the loss of their oldest member, Mrs. Rhoda Baldwin, who was called home October 28th, in her eighty-fourth year. She was the oldest white ribboner in the county.

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thanks. She herself and our British Woman's Temperance Association would most gladly have reposed in your United States President the trust which you have unitedly given to her. We have always looked to you in the United States as showing what women of real grit and pluck could do in temperance work for their country, and for the world at large. As in the goodness of your faith you have seen fit to bestow this trust upon our English President, I can, on her behalf, but thank you from the bottom of my heart. From one point of view it is a great honor, but from another, and I think the true point of view, it is a very grave responsibility. I know that in having given this to my mother, you have only given what you knew you could give in confidence, and that she will do the very best that in her lies to come up to that which you have placed with her today, not only in temperance work, but in social work, in all the relationships of one human being to another. I think internationalism comes nearer to my mother's heart than anything else. She believes that nations can be one and must be one, and, therefore, I can assure you that, in my mother's thought, we are one international body, one people. I thank you from her for the honor, and as to the responsibility—the confidence which you have placed in her I know is not misplaced."

On behalf of the Massachusetts W. C. T. U. Mrs. Stevenson presented to Lady Dorothy a gavel made from bits of wood from the old crusade church in Hillsboro, Ohio, asking her to take it to the new president, her mother, with love and loyalty from constituents this side of the water.

A cablegram was sent to the Countess of Carlisle announcing the action of the Convention. Later in the proceedings the following reply was received:

"Lovingly and humbly I accept service as President, though the task is difficult. I thank the Convention for trusting me and will do my best."

"ROSALIND CARLISLE."

Miss Slack led in the noontide prayer.

The election of Mrs. Stevens as vice-president-at-large was announced by the two secretaries in unison. The Convention rose as a body with a demonstration of flags and Chautauqua salutes for Mrs. Stevens, and sang with much feeling, "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow."

Mrs. Stevens said: "I thank you for this expression of your confidence. I will try to be true to you and to our world's work, and I ask Lady Dorothy to say this to her honored mother: I will help wherever and whenever I can. I will serve always the World's W. C. T. U., whether it be in trying to help the president, or trying to help some unknown woman in Japan, or India, or away out on our frontier. I desire above everything else to be known, not as a leader, but as one who serves, and I thank you for putting me in a position of service to our cause in every land."

Lady Dorothy Howard presented a magnificent bouquet of roses to the vice-president-at-large from the retiring President, Lady Henry Somerset, bearing the written message: "A greeting from one whose heart is bound by white ribbon ties and tender memories to her sisters, and to you as their brave leader." British women started a "Hurrah" and all the delegations rose and responded with a will.

When the vote for secretaries was announced Miss Slack and Miss Gordon came forward and, with clasped hands, said in concert, "We thank you."

Miss Slack was presented with a plate of fruit decorated with flags and flowers from the United States Superintendent of Fairs and Open Air Meetings, Mrs. Hannah T. Guild. It contained grape fruit from California, grapes grown within the sound of Niagara Falls and apples from New England, and was given as a token of the "warm love of her United States constituency."

In expressing her thanks Miss Slack said: "You American women have been so delightful and warm-hearted and cordial at this Convention that I shall, as long as my life lasts, be indebted to every one of you."

Mrs. Sanderson, in accepting her re-election as World's Treasurer, said:

"I thank you very much for this renewed expression of your confidence and your love towards the silent partner in this great organization. I thank you, because if you have given me so much confidence you have also given me much help. It is a joy to serve in this capacity, and if there were time I could tell you in how many ways the work of the W. C. T. U. has been to me a great blessing; it has taken the place of husband and children, and I do rejoice to serve you."

From the Union Signal we glean: Introductions of presidents and official representatives of countries affiliated with the World's W. C. T. U. was announced.

Australia—Mrs. Thomson, in a few words, expressed her pleasure at being present.

Burma—Dr. Mary Fowler Thompson made a plea for a resident white ribbon missionary.

Germany—Emily, Baroness von Hausen, President of the Dresden Union, represented the President, Fraulein Ottilie Hoffman, who could not be present. The Baroness was appreciative of the help received from America in plans especially in Scientific Temperance Instruction in schools.

Greece—Miss Collis peri said she had come to this Convention as a pupil to study methods and to learn somewhat of our great social and educational systems.

Natal, South Africa—Mrs. Mary S. Fernie said: "We are proud to make a part of that band of white ribbon that encircle the globe."

Finland—Miss Amalie Nix, a German, was introduced in the absence of Frau Alli Trygg-Heleinius, who could not be present.

Scotland—Miss Darling gave greetings from 42,000 Scottish women in the name of their beloved mother-president, Mrs. Margaret Blaikie.

Ireland—Mrs. Clarkson expressed appreciation of the privilege of being the medium of an exchange of greetings between the temperance women of Ireland and other countries.

Uruguay—Mrs. Von Domselaar said it had long been the golden dream of the women of that small republic to come in touch with this wonderful Convention of workers dedicated to the cause of temperance, hoping thereby to receive some of the fire of their enthusiasm. They are praying for a white ribbon missionary who can enter the opening doors of Uruguay.

Cape Colony—Miss Anna Cummings represented the President, Mrs. McKenzie. Cape Colony has 1,300 active and 500 honorary members.

Fiji Islands—Miss Lucy Broad said some touching things regarding the natives and the drink cure.

Sweden—Miss Ina Rogberg said she believed that the women of the new world had realized the new commandment of Christ, "Love one another as I have loved you." She unfurled the flag of Sweden, giving greetings in the name of its 3,000 members.

Argentina—Mrs. Greenman gave greetings and prayed for a white ribbon missionary for "that country on the other side of the equator, which is in its infancy in many respects, and especially so in temperance sentiment."

Canada—Mrs. Gordon Wright gave some very encouraging statistics regarding the progress of prohibition in her country.

India—Miss Scott told of the establishment of inebriate home for women and of the great need of W. C. T. U. work.

Bohemia Islands—Mrs. Dillet, the President, a colored woman, said that in her city, Nassau, they had local option, the result of the work of the W. C. T. U. By legislative enactment they have scientific temperance taught in the schools of the Islands.

Japan—Mrs. Kaji Yajenia, seventy-four years old, cannot speak English, first woman of her country to receive a teacher's certificate. She traveled many thousands of miles to attend this Convention.

Fraternal greetings from many societies, in part as follows: American Humane Society, National Committee Prohibition party, National W. R. C. of 140,000 women, Congo Reform Association, Congregational Missionary Society, W. F. M. S. of the Methodist Church, National Reform Bureau, American Peace Society, Scottish Temperance League, United Kingdom Alliance, Universal Peace Society, National Reform Association, National Consumers League.

In India there is greatest need of our work. Scientific temperance instruction in the schools is being given. In Calcutta several schools give this instruction.

Bulgaria is a hard field, but earnest work is done.

In New Zealand the women have great interest in the local option vote, which each time increases for temperance.

In Norway has a paid membership of 2,246 and the W. C. T. U. is represented on a joint temperance commission which is preparing a system of scientific temperance teaching in the public schools.

In Great Britain there are now 100,000 members. The drink habit is great among men and women. The demoralizing effect of bar mads is energetically denounced. Great work is done by temperance women.

In Jerusalem, Palestine, W. C. T. U. work is very difficult. All grocers sell intoxicants. Wine is used freely. In 120 licensed places liquors are sold. Total population, 75,000.

The reports of the Superintendents were wonderfully encouraging. The aggregate showing the great importance of individual work and the importance of reporting that work.

The National Convention.

The National Convention was held at Hartford, Conn., immediately after the close of the World's Convention. The attendance was unusually large. All of the General Officers were present.

Mrs. Stevens, our beloved National President, seemed quite herself, altho' she had presided over the World's Convention. She is always gracious, kind and just. Miss Anna Gordon, her Vice-President, is constantly beside her, doing the number-

less little things as well as assuming the greater responsibilities.

Mrs. Stevens' address is statesmanlike—a wonderful address—and should be read by every member of our unions and would be helpful and interesting to our ministers. The address will be published in the minutes of the Hartford, Conn., Convention. Send for a copy, enclosing 15 cents in postage, to Mrs. Harriet Brand, National Treasurer, Rest Cottage, Evanston.

Welcome addresses were made by the Governor of the State, Mayor of Hartford, representatives of the University education and the W. C. T. U. Responses were appropriate.

Rev. Rockwell Harmon Potter, pastor of the Center Congregational church, gave a welcome on behalf of the churches in Hartford and Connecticut. He said in part:

Madam President and messengers from the heroic bands of Christianity, who on the outposts throughout all our nation are fighting the battles of the churches, we of the churches here in Hartford bid you welcome.

What shall I say of you to whom we give this welcome? You are part of the churches; you are the advance guard of the churches. We of the rear guard bid you greeting and Godspeed. It is the shame of the Christian church of our nation that such wealth of consecrated Christian womanhood should have found it necessary to move out in advance of the Christian church and organize independently of her that service which the church at the beginning was commissioned to accomplish. But if it is to our shame that you went forward, it is also the glory of the church that it was from her hearth, yea, from her heart, that the inspirations for that wealth of sacrifice and service did go forth. And be it said also in devotion to the church and in all honor to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, that despite the lagging of the church so far behind, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union has never forgotten the sources of her inspiration, and has remembered ever with gratitude and affection the churches whence her wondrous wealth of enthusiasm has been drawn from the very throne of God. So we welcome you, you of the center line and of the picket guard. You come to call us to our duty. We are slow and laggard.

Listening here this morning to your President's address, I saw that no field of human endeavor has been left untouched by you. All those great questions which concern human welfare, and with which all those who think upon social questions are burdened, these all have shared in your splendid endeavors the spirit of that sainted genius of your order, who blessed it with her leadership and sealed it with her benediction, and hovers over it still, an over-powering presence. Frances E. Willard's splendid policy, "Do everything," has sent you into every place where the inert may be roused, and you come back to us of the churches and give to us the call to duty. Again I bid you welcome.

The Corresponding Secretary reported as follows:

New unions over 1,000.

Thirty-three States made a gain of from 100 to 2,000.

Frances Willard Memorial Fund receipts, \$5,347.

Expenditures for free literature, \$588.

The W. C. T. U. exhibit made at Portland, Ore., last summer, received the highest award, represented by a medal and a diploma. The Oregon women seemed well repaid for their work by the great interest manifested by all visitors.

When the Associated Billposters and Distributors of the United States and Canada assembled in Chicago a few months ago, they readily acceded to all but one of the points contained in a memorial from National, State and local workers, asking that they do not post vicious and suggestive pictures, portrayals of burglaries, murders and other crimes, and such representations as degrade woman's form, certain patent medicine and all whisky advertisements. The Association was in hearty accord with all that was asked, with the exception of the request made in regard to whisky advertising, and promised to come up to the W. C. T. U. standard on that point whenever we succeed in having whisky advertisements excluded from newspapers. They were given fair warning that we expect to claim the fulfillment of the promise in a few years, for we have long been working in that direction, and most, if not all, of the church papers, and not a few secular publications, refuse to advertise whisky. Let us address ourselves seriously to this business by protests and refusals to subscribe to periodicals which publish whisky advertisements.

I do not wish to trespass upon the province of department superintendents, but has it occurred to many of us that the three departments under the head of Organization deal with distinctive races—ten million negroes, more than a quarter of a million Indians, and over a million of foreign-speaking people from all countries coming to us every year, who are soon to become citizens of this republic. The voters of foreign parentage already exceed those of native parentage in many of our cities. Parts of Chicago are as foreign as any city in Europe or Asia. Within a certain

area of four blocks in that city there are 16,000 children, mostly Italians, under fifteen years of age, and 150 saloons. President Roosevelt lately said of the immigrants: "If we do not take care of them, if we do not uplift them, then as sure as fate, our own children will pay the penalty." The burden of this department is, in a large sense, the burden of the world. Are we helping to carry it?

Many of the departments, such as Sunday Schools, Scientific Temperance Instruction, Medical Temperance, and Mercy, have developed extensive literature of the greatest value. Other departments are growing literature according to their various needs. Again and again we are told that we are losing our opportunity by not making this literature better known to the public. Ought we not at least to try to devise a plan by which this can be done? Should we not have a central depot where all literature published for or by the W. C. T. U. could be found? Would it not be an ideal condition for the National W. C. T. U. to own and publish all of the general W. C. T. U. literature, and at least handle all of the department literature? This suggestion is not made without due appreciation of the work of those who now publish our literature for us.

Mrs. Adelia E. Carman, National Supt. of Medal contests, reported contests this year, 3,867. Diamond contests, 38; net receipts from reported contests, \$22,000; results, 22 new unions, 432 members, over 1,000 pledges signed; Illinois held 863 contests.

Mrs. M. M. Allen, Superintendent Medical Temperance, gave the Peruna Illumination. Jamaica ginger was burned in a saucer, it contained so much alcohol a generator was not necessary.

Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis, Superintendent of legislation, reported special victories of the year. From the Union Signal we quote:

"Mrs. Ellis enumerated rapidly the special victories of the year: The passage of the Pure Food bill, after six years of ceaseless effort; the Statehood bill, uniting Oklahoma and Indian Territory, with prohibition over the latter for twenty-one years; the appropriation of \$25,000 to be used in suppressing the sale of liquor to Indians; the Denatured Alcohol bill, which removes the tax on alcohol that has been chemically treated in such manner as to render it unfit for beverage purposes but useful in manufacturing industries; the Humphreys bill, which provides that collectors of internal revenue shall furnish, to anyone who will pay \$1.00 per hundred names—the cost of copying them—certified lists of the persons who pay the government tax on retail liquor licenses. The sale of liquor in National Soldiers' Homes will be prohibited for four months of next year—an entering wedge for complete prohibition. A favorable report was secured on the Tirrell bill, which prohibits the liquor traffic from all government buildings, parks, reservations, ships, etc. The Smoot case finally came to a vote just before the adjournment of Congress, after dragging its weary way through the entire session. The vote was 7 to 5 for the unseating of Mr. Smoot. The chairman of the committee on Privileges and Elections announces that the case will be presented to the Senate for a vote of that body immediately after the opening of the coming session. After repeated efforts, the bill to prevent the opening of the gates of the Jamestown Exposition on Sunday was passed, the penalty for violation being forfeiture of the government appropriation."

In a short address Dr. Crothers paid high tribute to the W. C. T. U. He said:

"Will anyone dare question the magnitude and practical character of such a work? And can anyone doubt the absolute certainty that such efforts will settle the issue, not only of the alcoholic problem, but of the other great reforms projected, and finally secure a recognition of the laws of cause and effect, and teach the coming generation how to live in obedience to these forces of evolution which control and fashion the race?"

"Emerson said, 'The mightiest force in the Universe is that of an idea, universally recognized by the common people.'"

"It is the power of an idea that has gathered this mighty army of the W. C. T. U. and is holding them in an organization for work, beginning at the home and fireside. Today, Science bids you God-speed, confident that your motto, 'For God and Home and Every Land,' symbolizes the highest ideals. For God, whose wonderful laws, if observed, will develop the angel in you, and make life a joy; for home, the very fountain head of all that is grand and beautiful in life; and for country, with its possibilities and ideals of laws representing the highest types of justice, liberty and fraternity. With these mountain peaks in view the weary wilderness marches of to-day, will surely lead up to the promised land of to-morrow."

CONVENTION NOTES FROM MRS. STANLEY.

Dear White Ribboners of Indiana: I cannot write each one separately, and since you all read The Message, I will use that as my medium through which to tell you of two inspiring Con-

ventions. The World's Assembly in Boston brought 65 delegates from Great Britain and her possessions, over 30 nations were represented. Some had dusky faces, some serene and white, but on each brow was seen the same furrows of agony for the slaughter of the innocents and the same high resolve to do or die for the eternal right. One dear old saint from Japan spoke through an interpreter to tell of 60,000 comfort bags made by the white ribboners for the soldier boys of Japan, and she said, "A New Testament telling of the power of Jesus to save went into every comfort bag sent out by our Union."

Another appeal came from a representative of the Fiji Islands. She told of the day when Fiji feasted on human bodies, of the work of the missionary, of a civilization which brought rum to the natives, and she said so pathetically: "White man came and with cruel kindness held the rum flask to our lips. Drink kills quickly in the tropics and in three generations more my people will all be gone."

Mrs. Harrison Lee, of Australia, started to the World's Convention five weeks ago, but did not get there. She reached the National, however, on time tell of their wonderful country, without purpose, where women vote on equal terms with men. She said she had given herself two whole days to cross our continent from San Francisco to Boston, and she found it took six days. "Oh wondrous power the gift give us to see ourselves as others see us."

Every nation reported aggressive work for prohibition.

The National Convention was really more enjoyable than the great World's gathering. No woman would ever take off her white ribbon if she will only read the reports of one year's work. More than half our population now live in prohibition territory.

I really believe we can talk the saloon to death. Let every woman go to work, get one more woman to help you, and thus double our ranks this year.

We had three physicians in our Convention from the great hospitals of New York, Boston and Hartford, who lectured each day on "the dangers of alcohol as a medicine," and from statistics given by Drs. McNickle and Crothers, we found that the medical fraternity are our ablest allies, and that the use of this poison as a remedy for disease will soon be only a matter of history.

The next World's Convention goes to Australia or London. The next National to Nashville, Tenn., which city promises to be under prohibition by that time.

I return to Indiana with gratitude to every woman in the ranks for sending me as your representative this year, and a desire to help send some other woman each year to this source of power and thus raise up a body of home defenders that will be a terror to evil-doers of every class and clime.

From Portland Indiana.

The W. C. T. U. ladies entertained Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Fulton, East Main street, the guests being the new members and husbands and the ministers and wives. Invitations had been issued for seventy-five guests and of that number sixty-five responded. Mrs. W. L. Ferris presided at the piano and played the several selections sung by the entire assembly. Mrs. John Flauding read the Crusade Psalm followed by prayer by Mrs. John Shewalter. Mrs. S. W. Haynes, who recently returned from the World's W. C. T. U. Convention at Boston and the National Convention at Hartford, Conn., gave an interesting and instructive account of the important events of the meetings. At the close of the program luncheon was served from the menu:

Chicken Sandwiches	Pickles	Potato Salad
Cake	Coffee	

A portion of the evening was spent with toasts in which Mrs. Fulton acted as toast mistress and the following persons responded: Rev. S. A. Stewart, "What part women have in the nation as citizens." S. W. Haynes spoke of "Legislative Work, What Part Should Women Take In It." "Alcohol, Does it Have any Necessary Part in Medicine," was ably treated by Dr. R. E. Brokaw. Rev. Thomas Williams spoke from the subject, "Woman's Suffrage, Would It Hasten the Prohibition of Liquor Traffic?" Rev. C. H. Trout had the subject, "Civic Righteousness; What Can Women Do to Help Advance the Cause?" "W. C. T. U., Have They Any Right to Exist as Such, if so, Why?" Rev. W. E. McCarty.

The local organization have doubled their ranks since the State Convention, and now have a membership of fifty-three and eight honorary members.—Portland Commercial-Review.

The Holiday Season no longer emphasizes the holy season. The rush and strain for Christmas gifts takes the thought, time and energy of our women until the meditation so helpful the teaching regarding the season in the home so necessary for the spiritual training of the young is entirely out of the question. This is unbecoming the profession we make, it is living below our privileges it is following the leader-

ship of the unchristian and worldly minded.

Every woman who enjoys the blessings and privileges of living in a Christian land, owes it all to the teachings of Jesus Christ. For only where the gospel of Christ is taught is woman more than a chattel or a slave.

How can women be so thoughtless, so given up to selfishness as to make our Holiday Season what it is to-day?

If the church worked and planned as continuously and energetically for the Holiday Season to be the harvest time for souls, as the commercial world works and plans for Holiday Season to be the harvest time for financial results, great indeed would be the awakened consciences of men and women, whose salvation would preclude the wandering away of our young people from the fold of the church.

This should be the season of definite work for Christ in every home, a time when for weeks the children are trained concerning the significance of the Christmas time.

So much money is spent for Christmas presents by the average family in moderate circumstances that it takes months of economy and self-denial on the part of the husband to recuperate sufficiently to push his business with energy. Disheartened! It is enough to dishearten any man to see money poured out like water into the hands of dealers who know that by largely advertising they can sell any article during the Holiday season.

What does the Holiday season mean in the average home?

Work early and late, worry, counting over and listing those to whom because of indebtedness for a gift last Christmas a gift must be made or bought to be sent this year. Expenditure of money far in excess of reason. Consider these things!

In your home teach a higher, holier meaning.

What does the Holiday season, the Christmas, mean to the thousands of clerks in our great stores? It means over work for three weeks in the day time and work until 10 o'clock at night, because of the great surging crowds of women Christmas shoppers.

For this condition of affairs women alone are responsible.

W. C. T. U. women use your influence against the late Christmas shopping. Call a halt on the foolish expenditure of time, energy and money at this blessed Holiday season.

Write Christmas letters, announce to your friends how you have decided to celebrate the greatest event known to humanity—the birth of our Saviour.

This year let our gifts be some little reminders of our friendship or love, inexpensive and simple if of our handiwork. If not of such, then let them be helpful Christian books or subscriptions to papers or magazines—making gifts to the poor "in His name."

For children the short stories of the Bible or biographies. The Union Signal for \$1.00 per year, The Crusader Monthly, a 16-page monthly for young people, 25 cents per year. For these send to The National W. C. T. U., Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill.

NOTES FROM CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

The great conventions have passed into history, but may their influence be felt throughout the year. Those who have not subscribed for the four convention numbers of the Union Signal should do so yet, and get a little of the feast those in attendance were privileged to enjoy. Send ten cents to "The Union Signal," Evanston, Ill. You cannot afford to miss this worldwide view of our great organization. "All round the world the ribbon white is twined."

Mrs. Stanley will tour some counties in the southeastern part of the State in December.

The first quarter of the year 1906-'07 is almost at an end. The report blanks will be sent out to County Corresponding Secretaries ere you read this, and may we not hear this quarter from every local union in the State? Report the number of members if nothing more. A banner is awarded at each State Convention to the county making the best reports. The points to be considered are neatness, promptness and completeness. A County Corresponding Secretary cannot possibly win this banner without the aid of the local Corresponding Secretaries. The number of unions in the county is not a determining factor in the award. Grant County has held this banner for several years. Although they have twenty-one unions, they never fail to report on time. May we not hope for as good a record from all our counties this year?

IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. Ellen Wheeler, the blind singer, known the state over by the W. C. T. U., was called home Nov. 7, 1906. She was enjoying her usual health up until a few days before her death, visiting with a friend she was stricken with apoplexy while eating her dinner and died in a few days. She had many friends and was considered by all an ideal christian woman.

Mrs. Mariah Tracy, the oldest member of the Huntington Union, went home Oct. 8, 1906. She was 86 years old and died very suddenly.

In the death of Clark Commons, an esteemed honorary member, Lamong Union suffers a great loss, but realize our loss in His gain, for we feel he has been called to a rich reward, and while he has gone from us we fully believe his encouraging words, as a Union, will live on in our lives.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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RESULT OF ACTIVITY.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 8.—(Special Correspondence.)—This city never has had in all its history such an awakening as has followed the speech of Clinton N. Howard at a mass meeting of 1500 people on last Sunday, at the Second Baptist Church.

The vilest plot of the saloon to blacken the character of a man for his activity for law enforcement ever uncovered was laid bare in every detail. At its close the indignation of the audience was beyond all bounds and a standing vote of support was adopted with a cheer that shook the building.

The black plot to ruin Mr. Howard by destroying his reputation is now out in all its details by the confession of two parties who were directly in the employ of the conspirators.

In a three hours session today the District Attorney drew out of the whole horrible tangle, involving as it does prominent professional men in this city, including lawyers, saloon keepers and at least one Alderman who proves to be Alderman Ripstein, whose saloon Mr. Howard closed in his campaign last April.

The whole administration has been stirred to activity to run down the gang, some of whom have already crossed the Canadian border.

The Police Department has been instructed by the Mayor to seal up the saloons as tight as Sahara for all future time, and it looks at last as though Mr. Howard has won his long fight for permanent law enforcement in this big beery city.

The Plot Against Mr. Howard.

(The plot to blast Mr. Howard's reputation and defame his character was exposed by a young woman whom the conspirators tried to use as a tool in their diabolical plans. Deeply impressed at one of the Chapman revival services just then in progress in the city, her better nature rebelled the villainy proposed, and she sent a hurried warning to Mr. Howard.)

The plot in brief was to send a young girl to Mr. Howard's home some night, who with a pitiful story of poverty and misery was to induce him to go with her to a pre-arranged rendezvous in the slums, where he was to be seized by ruffians, locked in a room with the decoy, stripped of his clothing, and then "discovered" by hired witnesses, who, in hiding nearby, were to "break in" and spread the "scandal" to the four winds of hell, unless Mr. Howard paid a ransom of \$50,000 or desert the Prohibition platform forthwith forevermore.)

Another Case of Saloon Diabolism.

That Mr. Howard is not the only victim of such diabolical villainy is proved in the following news despatch in the Detroit Evening News of Dec. 11.

he dispatch is as follows:

"St. Joseph, Mich., Dec. 11.—Attorney John Sterling, the attorney who is identified with the Municipal league of Benton Harbor, and who has been suffering persecution because of his relations with the league, has been set right before the people and his name cleared by the grand jury.

"The attempts to blacken the character of the attorney was one of the boldest plots ever hatched in this county.

"Soon after Sterling became active for the league a few saloon keepers brought a colored girl before a notary, where she swore out an affidavit charging the attorney with a statutory crime. The story spread over the country in a few days, and the declaration that the girl's parents intended to swear out a warrant for the arrest of the attorney heightened the color of the story. The prosecuting attorney refused to allow the warrant to issue, and the attorney-general was appealed to. He referred the petitioners back to the prosecuting attorney. When the grand jury went into session the matter was brought up again.

"The jury labored with it for three days, and this morning found the whole story 'vile, libelous, and unfounded from beginning to end.'

Later: Rochester, N. Y., Dec 15.—(Special Correspondence to the Associated Prohibition Press.) After a week of sensations, following the address on the "Black Hand Ungloved" on Sunday, Dec. 2, by Clinton N. Howard to 1500 people in Second Church, last Sunday was passed with two great public demonstrations, afternoon and again at night. The afternoon meeting was called for 2:30, but at 2:30 the crowds about the doors of the Second Church were so great that the doors had to be opened to relieve the situation. In five minutes the large auditorium was jammed, fully one thousand stood about in the open spaces, and the police were called to clear the jam about the outer doors.

Never before has such a meeting been held in



Miss Eva Cobbs, Miss Zoe Jennings and Miss Nellie Raber—Picture taken in Island Park.

Rome City union was organized by Mrs. Mary Evalyn Evertson, after the close of Island Park assembly in August. This union has enlisted the efforts and energies of some of Rome City's brightest, best young women. The officers are the youngest set of W. C. T. U. officers in Indiana. They are:

President, Miss Zoe Jennings; treasurer, Miss Eva Cobbs; secretary, Miss Nellie Raber.

These young ladies are holders of oratorical contest medals and are carrying that work in their union.

the history of Mr. Howard's work in this city. The demonstration upon his arrival was overpowering. Ministers and people stood up and waved and cheered, until Mr. Howard motioned silence. Again and again during the progress of the address the enthusiasm broke into cheers, and at its close every man was on his feet to vote approval and support to the leader of Rochester's Prohibition Union.

It is worthy of note that the sensation has brought about a new order in the city. The police were never so vigilant; the orders from Mayor down never was so emphatic.

The matter is now in the hands of the District Attorney.

The night meeting at West Methodist Episcopal Church was packed.

THREE NEW YEAR SUGGESTIONS.

If your union is up to the "one in four" standard, it is entitled to place on the 1907 Honor List of the UNION SIGNAL. Write for rules which govern. If your union is not up to the standard, now is a good time to bring it there.

THE UNION SIGNAL'S W. C. T. U. Course of study for 1907 will be of vital interest to every person who wishes to be fully informed on current history along reform lines. The course will consist of one article each month, with Required Readings and Questions, dealing with reform progress in recent years as related to the W. C. T. U.

Beginning with the January number, THE CRUSADER MONTHLY, in addition to its regular L. T. L. features, will give two pages each month of just the helps public school teachers need in presenting to their pupils the principles of Scientific Temperance Instruction. These papers will be so interesting, that Seniors, Juniors fathers, mothers, teachers and pupils will all enjoy them together. Each union should see that every teacher in the public schools is a subscriber.

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Abraham Lincoln said: "The state must in its legislative action, recognize in the law enacted, this principle—it must make sure and secure these endeavors to establish, protect and extend right conditions, right conduct, righteousness! These conditions will be secured and preserved, not by indifference, not by a toleration of evils, not by attempting to throw around any evil the shield and protection of law; never by any attempt to license the evil."

SOME GLAD DAY.

Air: Old Black Joe.

By Mrs. Katharine L. Stevenson.

All around the world
The ribbon white is twined;
All round the world
The glorious light has shined;
All round the world
Our cause has right of way;
We'll raise the anthem swell of vict'ry
Some glad day.

Chorus:

It's coming! It's coming,
The morn for which we pray;
We'll take the world for Christ's own kingdom
Some glad day.

All round the world
Where sounds the note of woe,
There is God's strength,
Our ribbon white shall go;
Emblems of peace, of purity's bright ray,
'Twill bind our sin stained earth to heaven
Some glad day.

All round the world
Hosannas yet shall ring,
All lands and climes
The Savior's praise shall sing;
No jarring note
Shall mar that rapturous lay,
'Twill rise from all the sin sav'd nations
Some glad day.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

Dear Sisters: Enthusiastic reports of Mrs. Trego's work came from the northeastern part of the state where she has been engaged since Nov. 18. Unions who want to engage her should write at once to me that I may know how to plan her routes. There are already enough dates bespoken to fill all of January and a part of February, but I hope to keep her in the state for all the dates that are asked for, but I must know soon as other states are calling for her.

Mrs. Stanley has been waking things up in Dearborn, Ohio, Ripley and Jennings counties. She came home for the holidays and will spend the greater part of January at home.

Our indefatigable Mrs. Shugart has organized two new unions in Grant county since state convention. The work was not done in a day Mrs. Shugart and her co-workers set their eyes and hearts on having a union in a certain place, then hold meetings there, and medal contests, distribute literature, talk W. C. T. U., until they educate the women of the locality up to the point of organization, but the first thing the state hears is that "a new union has been organized in Grant county."

What has been done in Grant county can be done in every other county in Indiana by following the same methods. Let us try it, sisters!

As was announced at state convention the Reform Laws of Indiana have been printed in a neat pamphlet form and are ready for distribution. The list includes the essential features of the Nicholson Law, the Moore Amendment, the Anti-Cigarette Law, allowing minors in pool rooms, etc, the law on selling Tobacco to Minors, the Sabbath Law and the Scientific Temperance Instruction Law. These should be ordered by every union. They may be obtained from the state corresponding secretary at one cent each or 12 for ten cents.

Mary E. Woodard.

Look at Jesus on the cross—read again and the wondrous story. What wrong done to you or me compare to the insults heaped on Jesus Christ the Beloved Son of God! What did HE say? "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do!" Behold the Lamb of God, wronged by evil-doers, yet untouched by it! Our whole redemption is rooted in the unprovoked spirit, Spirit of the Lamb of God. The Lord God of heaven and earth came down to our utmost need in that unprovoked Spirit. When God wants to reach atrociously wrong-doers He seems to say again: "I will let them do their evil will, that they may see My Spirit in My child," and when our spirit is provoked, it hides His glory and stays His hand. We must make way for God, make way for the Spirit of His Son to possess our spirits. Have you suffered sorely? Do you feel you have a perfect right to feel so wronged? Let the Lord Jesus possess your spirit, beloved, and you will have all God's power on your side to overwhelm the evildoers.—Selected.

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A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL.

Now is the time to make resolutions. Decide to give more time and efforts to the temperance work than you did last year. Plan definitely something you will do.

Are you giving proportionately to the temperance work? Some people give a tenth, but the organized forces against the liquor business get very little of it. If the church of God survives, the liquor traffic must be killed. It is not enough to teach a quarterly temperance lesson in our Sunday Schools and have an occasional sermon from the pulpit. This year, 1907, let us wear our little white ribbon bow all of the time because it is a constant protest against the liquor business. Every woman can do this little thing. Let us arrange our affairs so that we can attend the local union meetings. Remember always that our interest in a subject is according to our information upon that subject. To be informed upon the successes and defeats of the temperance forces we must read a temperance paper.

The Union Signal is our National W. C. T. U. paper. The Washington Letter, by Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis, each week, will be of interest to every reading member of your household. Mrs. Ellis is our legislative representative in the National capital. She was the manager of the successful campaign against the canteen in the army. Decide now to spend \$1.00 a year, less than two cents a week, for the Union Signal.

Address The Union Signal, Evanston, Ill.

OFFICIAL

The annual reports are in the hands of Miss Clara Sears, Anderson, ready to be sent out. Send in your orders at once at the rate of 15 cents per copy, the state paying carriage. You need them.

Culla J. Vayhinger.

Annual Programs are almost indispensable to the success of the average union. Invite members from neighboring towns to read papers during the year. Have evening meetings at least once a quarter. Where there is an interurban invite an entire union to "come to the meeting." Perhaps the invited would furnish a quartet or other musicians. Seek to interest the young men and boys.

The annual report contains the minutes of the last State convention, the President's address, the reports of the state officers and the State superintendents. Besides these they contain a copy of the State constitution. Price 15 cents. Send to Miss Mary Woodward, Fountain City,

Indiana. If you are a superintendent you surely want a copy of this report to see what work was done in your department in our State this year. Send postage stamps in a letter and get a copy. You will be interested in reading of the work done in many lines in Indiana. Members of your family will gladly listen to you read of this work, (a little at a time). Your minister will be interested in reading this report.

Letter from Mrs. Stanley. Dear Sisters: I am safely home for the Holidays, after a two weeks' tour in Dearborne, Ohio, Ripley and Jennings counties. It rained almost every day yet the women were brave enough to face the storm and at almost every point we had good audiences.

I was at Brights Dec. 3, Guilford, Dec. 4, Wright's Corner, Dec. 5, Lawrenceburg, Dec. 6, Auora, Dec. 7, Rising Sun, Dec. 9 and 10, Cold Springs, Dec. 11, Moores Hill, Dec. 12, Osgood, Dec. 13, Butlerville, Dec. 14, North Vernon, Dec. 15 and 16.

At each point the local officers had invited the neighbors round about and in some cases they drove ten miles to the meetings.

The tour resulted in 37 new members and 7 honorary members, and at all points save Osgood the unions were strengthened and at that point we visited all the rooms in the High School and found a God fearing little Methodist preacher down there and a few loyal women who are bravely trying to hold the fort, so the meeting was a success.

The offerings to the State fund were \$43.35, itemized in the treasurer's report. Jennings county is now ready for organization. I got them in line with fine material to fill the offices, but had no time to organize.

Let us hope and pray that the revivals which now begin will bring many to our ranks.

A Merry Christmas to all.

Yours for activity,

Elizabeth T. Stanley.

FROM THE TRUSTEES MEETING.

The following resolution was passed with a unanimous vote:

Resolved, that we deprecate the attempt that is being made to raise funds for the Chicago Temple, through the local W. C. T. Unions, since this is no longer one of the affiliated interest of the State and National organizations, and we recommend that unions make no response to such appeals since we have our own obligated interest.

The Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction, was instructed to send out promptly information in regard to the changes made in this department and urge the unions to support the Crusader Monthly which has been made the official organ of this department.

Mrs. Mary Sibbills returned to Upland where she lectured the evening of the 11th. Twelve regular members and fifteen honoraries were gained.

Mrs. Eunice Wilson won the silver medal in a recent contest.

Grant county's latest union "Grant" has fifteen members. President, Mrs. Sarah Bond, R. R. 22; Secretary, Mrs. Mattie Osborn, R. R. 22; Treasurer, Mrs. Ada Winslow, R. R. 17.

Mrs. Lizabeth Harvey, Parliamentarian and Mrs. Nettie Ware corresponding secretary and superintendent of literature, are making the tour of Grant county's twenty-three unions, in the interest of their departments.

Mrs. Edith S. Davis, Milwaukee, Wis., is the National Superintendent of Scientific Temperance. The Crusader Monthly has been made the organ of this department.

As some of the reports and other matter came to the secretary too late to be embodied in the annual report, and some articles were omitted and the directory being in an incomplete form, therefore, resolved, that it is the sense of this committee that superintendents observe Art. 1, section 6, of the by-laws which reads, "all reports shall be in the hands of the recording secretary five days previous to State convention and sooner if advance sheets are printed and we furthermore recommend that the reports shall be typewritten. We also recommend that county and local unions hold their elections before the State convention and report the names of officers and county superintendents to the corresponding secretary.

MATTIE CAMMACK GIBSON,

Secretary.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION—NATIONAL PLANS FOR 1907.

A 25,000 Crusader Monthly subscription list. A paid membership of 30,000 or 30 L. T. L. delegates at the National convention of 1907.

The continued effort to place an L. T. L. Missionary in Japan, with the change of name from Japan L. T. L. Fund, to Anna A. Gordon Fund, in honor of our World's L. T. L. secretary.

The broader education of our Senior young women by inciting them to active membership in the W. C. T. U., in addition to the Senior Legion, wherever possible.

Paid L. T. L. leaders in all our large cities.

The development of L. T. L. workers through the L. T. L. Correspondence Training School.

The formation of L. T. L. Normal classes in the W. C. T. U.

The training of Senior Legioners for service in the Junior Legion.

Miss Wintringer asks "may we not count on Indiana's most earnest effort and co-operation in carrying out the special lines of work for 1907. Let our watchword for the coming year be, 'Be Strong and of Good Courage.' Vanish all fear and discouragement, lighting the dark places so that this shall be our very best year for the L. T. L. along all lines of endeavor." And I am confident that is just what we are doing and aim to do, the blanks have been sent out, let the county leaders see that each local leaders has one and return to me at once, if you did not get them sent in by the 25th of December, we made a splendid gain last year, but let us double our membership, collect all dues, and be prompt in reporting all work done in our Legion this year.

Remember the change made at the State W. C. T. U. convention at Portland, in paying dues. All L. T. L. dues are to be sent to Mr. Nathan Lenfestey, 625 West Fourth Street, Marion, our State L. T. L. treasurer.

Yours for active service for 1907,

Ida M. Mix,

Kokomo, Indiana.

THE PRESS.

Dear Press Superintendents: Like well regulated machinery, I have faith to believe that the Press work in our state is moving along smoothly and effectively, doing the good which it alone can do in putting and keeping our work before the public.

At the close of last year's work I begged to be excused from this work on account of multiplied duties at home and my dear mother's lingering illness, but, "by the powers that be," I am again at the wheel, begging your prayers and co-operation and promising to do the best I can under the circumstances.

To work intelligently I must know the name and address of each county superintendent of press work in the state, and beg you, dear sisters, to send me these when you read these lines, for I have some press leaflets which I will be glad to send you, and to your local superintendents too, if you will kindly send me their names.

In counties where there is no county superintendents, will the local superintendents please send me their names.

I will ask you to report but once, in September, 1907, but please be careful to keep a record of all the work which you do during the year, so that it may be reported to me at the end of the year's work.

In each local union there should be held at least, two press meetings during the year, and according to the program given in all new annual reports, the first one will be held the first meeting in March, so plan for it, get the people interested, invite the editors to take a part in the meeting and get them interested and they will help you. Have faith in your department, and push the work, keep everlastingly at it, and you will see splendid results.

As is urged in the Plan of Work for 1906-1907, there should be an active press superintendent in every local union in the state, who will make use of all space available in the local papers.

County superintendents please send me your names, and the names and addresses of your local superintendents, and thus help me to help you and them.

Yours for advancement,

Laura G. Cammack,

Converse, Ind.

MOTHER'S MEETING

Dear Sisters:—I have prepared a leaflet with suggestive topics for Mother's Meetings, and a plan that I hope will be helpful to all superintendents, and in a measure answer the questions that come to me often: "How Can I Begin," price 20c per hundred; W. R. C. R. cards, 50 for 25 cents, or you can get an outlined program of Mrs. Helen L. Bullock, 412 Tompkins Street, Elmira, N. Y., National Superintendent of Mother's Meetings, for 5 cts a piece or \$1.00 per hundred. Time and money spent for the betterment of mothers and children will be money put in the bank of Heaven. God will give it to you with many times its value in eternal riches. "Ignorance is the curse of God, knowledge the wings wherewith we fly to Heaven." Know thyself.

Yours in His name,

Mrs. S. M. Stahl,

Hartford City, Indiana.

LITERATURE.

Dear Co-workers: Having sent out so very many Report Blanks last year and receiving so very few of them, I have decided to ask for only two reports a year—March and September—and will send blanks to all county superintendents if I can have their address. May I not urge that you write to Ruby Gilbert, Chicago, for a catalogue. It will only cost you a postal card and you can then select the Literature best suited to your community. Please feel free to write me about your work at any time.

Retta Jones, State Superintendent,

Alexandria.

FIELD NEWS

The Dana W. C. T. U. gave Mrs. W. H. Reed a farewell reception on December 1, at 2 o'clock. By appointment the ladies met at Hafley's studio where they were met by Mr. and Mrs. Hafley who in their pleasant way grouped them before the camera and made a negative. From the studio they went to the beautiful home of Mrs. Rogers and after short devotional exercises, went to the dining room where refreshments were served, after which the members extended Sister Reed their best wishes and expressed deep regrets at her going away. Mrs. Reed was always at her place of duty and ready to discharge that duty, whatever it might be.

Mrs. Edith S. Davis, the new World's and National W. C. T. U. superintendent of the department of Scientific Temperance Instruction was born on a farm near Miss Willard's Wisconsin home and received her college education at Lawrence University. Later she took post-graduate work at Wellesley and was for many years a successful teacher. She is mistress of several languages, has written a number of books, is a speaker of note, and has the ability to raise large sums of money, all of which, combined with practical knowledge of the department of which she is now the head, fit her to be a worthy successor to Mrs. Mary H. Hunt. Mrs. Davis should be addressed at 2913 Brown Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Churubusco W. C. T. U. secured the services of Mrs. Trego for December 5, 6 and 7. In her first address she explained the work of the W. C. T. U. in an able manner; she also gave a report of the World's and National conventions.

In an address to women on practical lines of work, she said that the wife should be an helpmate to her husband; that she should inform herself about his business so that he could go to her for counsel when necessary; also that mothers should teach their daughters how to work and to know the value of money; in fact, to teach them business. "Mistake in the Home Life," was the subject of an address full of good thoughts and suggestions, especially a plea for the young to live pure lives.

On the last night she gave an illustrated lecture on "Darkest America." She explained the effect of alcohol upon the stomach from the moderate drinker to the drunkard in the last stage of delirium tremens; she gave the contrast between the saloon keeper's home and the drunkard's home, also between the saloon keeper's little daughter and the drunkard's daughter which stirred the hearts of the people in the audience. Many pronounced this to be the best lecture ever given in Churubusco. No admission fee was charged but a free will offering of over \$20.00 was given at the close of the lecture. We feel confident that the good seed sown will bear much fruit.

MARION COUNTY.

Mapleton W. C. T. U. met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Handy. A musical program was rendered followed by a report of the National and World's conventions. This was given by Mrs. Gipe, proving a great inspiration to all present. Dainty refreshments were served by the hostess.

Central Union held a very interesting "Convention Echo" meeting at the home of Mrs. Moody. Excellent accounts of the World's and National conventions were given by members who had been in attendance. Mrs. Frances Boyer was a delegate to both the World's and National conventions. Miss Fern Boyer was selected by the National Loyal Temperance Legion secretary to represent Indiana in the National convention. Mrs. Rose Browne, also a member of the union visited her daughter in Boston and attended the World's convention.

Several new members were received while refreshments were served, among them Mrs. Mogab, a bright Syrian lady who is an active Christian.

All unions throughout the County are at work on their programs for the coming year. A better year with more work accomplished is planned, the first step being a good program with a copy in the hands of each member.

County Headquarters. Marion County is justly proud of her new home which has been established so recently. Through the kindness of the managers of the new Door of Hope, the use of one of the parlors was tendered the county, which was accepted. All unions asked to contribute to its furnishing. A new rug, curtains, library, table and chairs tend to make the room a very attractive as well as a comfortable room in which to meet. The Union Signal and Message as well as other literature will be accessible to all who care to improve the opportunity of visiting the room at any time. This room is for the use of all county meetings and committee meetings of the different unions in the county. 1100 Capital Ave.

Meridian W. C. T. U. met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Gipe. A goodly number were present, entering heartily in the spirit of the meeting, which was in the nature of a debate. The subject

was, "Shall Women Have the Ballot?" Affirmative, Mrs. Gipe, Mrs. Shortridge; negative, Mrs. Beckett, Mrs. Williams. Both sides presented good arguments in support of their side of the question. While the judges were out, the popular vote was called for, resulting in a vast majority in favor of the ballot for women. The verdict of the judges was of course, in favor of suffrage. Mrs. Gipe pinned a yellow badge on all present, taking it for granted that after hearing the debate all were on the affirmative side of the question. A meeting with so excellent a program is very instructive, to both the visitor and member, who becomes more familiar with the great departments of our work. At the next meeting the department of "Purity in Literature and Art," will be presented by Mrs. Sherwood.

Mrs. Nettie Cohea,
County Press Superintendent.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley is always appreciated. The unions are anxiously waiting for their turn to have her.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley is our own platform queen. Indiana is justly very proud of her. Everywhere she is wanted. Every union is anxiously waiting its turn to have her. The state has arranged with Mrs. Stanley to go to the unions without expense. All collections are to be turned into the state treasury by Mrs. Stanley. Audiences enjoy giving money to our cause after hearing the forceful truthful arguments by Mrs. Stanley.

Her appeals to the intelligent thinking people are telling in their effect. Every union needs Mrs. Stanley, not once, but twice a year.

In this state we need field workers. It is remarkable how our work moves on with so few. Great indeed, are the things that could be accomplished if we had a goodly number of workers constantly afield.

Mrs. R. J. Trego, the sweet spirited, loyal hearted, splendid W. C. T. U. worker, who is in our state, is having great success. Indiana must keep her. We need her. We need to keep our own workers and many more in the field constantly this year. If your union can secure her services you may be assured that only good will be the results. Write concerning dates, terms, etc., to our corresponding secretary, Miss Mary Woodward, Fountain City, Ind. If you cannot secure Mrs. Trego until in the spring time, take her then without fail. She will not cause you regret. You will be rejoiced at her ability and proud of her beautiful character and gracious personality.

Mrs. S. M. Stahl writes: The Hartford City union held a mass meeting Sunday afternoon, November 18, with a fine audience and Mrs. I. R. Trego, National Evangelist speaker. Mrs. Trego closed her three days' work here on the evening of the 20th, with an illustrated lecture. Her lecture was good and the stereopticon views, the finest ever shown in this city. The wonder of the people was how she could manage the stereoscope and lecture at the same time. She evidently is one woman who has learned to do two things at a time.

The Hartford City union observed World's Temperance Sunday, first, by sending every minister in the city, the four numbers of the Union Signal giving reports of the World's and National W. C. T. U. conventions, and requesting them to preach on temperance that day. In the afternoon we held a mass meeting and distributed a fine lot of literature, which we hope will be seed sown in ground that will bring good fruit. We know the seed was good, we trust the ground was not all stony. Rev. Payne in the meeting said that he had heard of three kinds of temperance people; one was all wish-bone, wished there was no saloons; another was all jaw-bone, did nothing but talk, talk; the other had back-bone and were ready to do and dare for the sake of humanity and the salvation of the poor drunkard. We are praying for the Lord to give us more of the back-bone kind who will not only help to save the fallen, but will use the power they have to remove the stumbling stones, the legalized saloons.

Mrs. F. B. Perkins, writes: The Kendallville union is doing its second year's work enthusiastically, and wonderful results are expected. At our last regular meeting we had an attendance of seventy, and the L. T. L. meeting which followed, an attendance of sixty-three. Mrs. Trego pleased every hearer. She is a speaker of convincing power. We ought not to let her get out of the state. Cannot you urge the unions to engage her? Because her work is self supporting, even the weakest unions can receive this wonderful help.

Zionsville W. C. T. U. reorganized December 11, with ten active and three honorary members paid up in full with nine who have pledged membership by paying a part of their dues.

Officers: President, Mrs. Kate Foreman; Vice President, Mrs. Mary Lemon; Treasurer, Mrs. Cora Lemon; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Hallie Bemer; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Frank Anderson. Organized by Mrs. Mary D. Hendricks, County President.

To Superintendents of Mother's Meetings. I have sent to every Superintendent of Mother's Meetings, whose name appears in the annual re-

port, report blanks, samples of literature, purity pledge cards and W. R. C. R. cards. If county superintendents whose names are not in the annual report will write me I will gladly furnish them the same. Be sure, dear sisters, to keep a record of all work done, all literature distributed so as to have a fine report next fall.

Lovingly,
Mrs. S. M. Stahl.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley met the members of Guilford union in the afternoon and lectured to a full house in the evening, on December 4. A collection of \$2.31 was donated for State funds.

The Guilford union held a good meeting with Mrs. Templeton, December 13. Mrs. Dr. Lazenby was a guest of the union. The next meeting will be held in church parlors, January 10 and will be a public meeting.

Alexandria held an all day meeting on November 9 with the vice president, Mrs. Carrie Beaumont, four miles north of town. The Summitville union was invited for the afternoon. After a bountiful dinner, the meeting was called to order by Mrs. Mary McDowell, president of Alexandria union, and all joined in singing a familiar hymn. Scripture lesson was read by Mrs. Lucy Hardern, county evangelist, followed by prayer by Mrs. Retta Jones, after which Mesdames Hardern and Beaumont sang "Save the Boys." Mrs. Cammack Gibson then gave one of her excellent and helpful chart talks, followed by questions and a general discussion by all. Two names were given for membership, after which light refreshments were served and all returned to their homes feeling it was good to have been there.

South Bend. Mrs. C. Fassnacht, St. Joseph's county president, gave a very interesting verbal report of the World's and National convention, before a number of ladies at the First Methodist Episcopal church in South Bend, November 14. Although she spoke for an hour and a half she did not tire her audience. A rising vote of thanks was given and she was requested to give a talk at Grace M. E. church the next Wednesday night at the Temperance prayer meeting.

A fine temperance talk was given before the Junior League, December 2, by one of the members of Chapin Park union. When asked how many had seen the advertisements in our daily papers that beer was a temperance drink, a dozen hands went up. "That beer was a liquid food," dozen of hands raised. We trust that the facts stated proving the falsehood of these advertisement will leave a lasting impression on the minds of these coming men and women.

On November 25 a "Thimble" in honor of the twenty-five new members of Chapin Park union, was given at the beautiful home of Mrs. C. Fassnacht, St. Joseph's county president, which was greatly enjoyed by more than eighty ladies. A fine musical program was given, and echos of the conventions (World's and National) was given by Mrs. Fassnacht, which was very much enjoyed. Elaborate refreshments were served. Chapin Park union is in a thriving condition, having a membership of seventy including five honorary members. There will be another contest held in the near future at which time an effort will be made to enroll thirty new members.

The Washington County Convention was held at Fredericksburg in the M. E. Church. Rev. Matthews, of Salem, and Miss Gertrude Spangler, of Utica, were present and delivered addresses. The following officers were elected: President, Florence Gresham, Fredericksburg; Vice-President, Mary N. Overman, Salem; Corresponding Secretary, Lydia Hiles, Campbellsburg; Recording Secretary, Fanny Ellis, Hardinsburg; Treasurer, Lucretia Prow, Salem; "Y" Secretary, Miss Fleeda Royse, Fredericksburg; "L. T. L." Secretary, Mrs. Mary U. Hancock, Fredericksburg.

Franklin County's officers as follows: President, Mrs. Margaret M. Smith, College Corner, Ohio, R. F. D. No. 10; Vice-President, Miss Hattie Kimb'e, Brookville, Ind.; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Florence Miller, College Corner, Ohio, R. F. D.; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Una Doty, College Corner, Ohio, R. F. D. No. 10; Treasurer, Mrs. Joe Dubois, College Corner, Ohio, R. F. D.

Blackford County is composed of four townships, and is next to the smallest county in Indiana and within its borders are 35 licensed saloons. But our little county has many things to be proud of. On Tuesday, November 6th, 184 good men went to the ballot box and informed our so-called Christian government that they wanted protection for their boys and girls from the gin mills and gambling dens. It has been woman's mission since time memorial, to educate and lift up the fallen. The W. C. T. U. gold medal contest which was held at the Presbyterian Church Tuesday night was a success. There were four contestants. Mr. Harry Moore won the medal. A quartet composed of Mesdames Ritter, Parker, Beard and Miss Bonge, sang. Mrs. Thomas and William Ritter gave recitations. The young peoples' orchestra furnished the music. Mrs. Stahl lead in prayer. Lead on kindly light, 'til King Alcohol is dethroned, is our prayer.

LaPorte Union—Our delegates returned from the State Convention full of enthusiasm and much pleased and encouraged with the excellent work done in the past year, which they gathered from the many interesting reports that were given. They report it the largest and one of the best W. C. T. U. Conventions ever held in the State, there being a system that made everything go like clock-work. They are also loud in praise of the helpful sermons they were privileged to listen to on the Sabbath; also the singing by our dear blind sister, Mrs. Wheeler. With the privilege kindly given to obtain such splendid and capable women as our Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley and Mrs. Rebecca Trego, I think every Union should make an effort to use them. Heretofore some have felt that they were not able to do what they knew would be an uplift to the cause. Dear sisters, now that there is no difficulty, let us do what we can to procure through our State Corresponding Secretary, Miss Mary Woodard, these excellent helpers.

The North Madison W. C. T. U. met November 6, at the home of their Vice-President, Mrs. Ida Branham. After the business part of the program and some special music, Mrs. Traum, who is President of Jefferson County, gave a very inspiring report of the State Convention. Mrs. Traum is earnest and forceful in personality and we are encouraged to believe that there are better things in store for Jefferson County, along the different lines of temperance work, under her sweet spirited leadership.

Wells County W. C. T. U. had an all-day session November 14th to discuss plans for the furtherance of the work. After the devotionals the forenoon was mostly taken up by our beloved and efficient County President, Mrs. Goodin, in giving instructions to the Superintendents. The importance of the evangelistic department was emphasized and the voice of the gathering was, that unless this department is kept prominent failure will result. A beautiful spirit of love and Christian fellowship pervaded the meetings throughout.

A nice dinner was served in the church and an enjoyable social noon hour was spent.

In the afternoon Superintendents were given the privilege of asking questions relating to their departments, which was interesting to all.

Mrs. Smith, our parliamentarian, very ably conducted a drill which was much enjoyed.

An impressive feature of the meeting was the tying of the white ribbon on the baby boy of Rev. Cecil, the pastor of the M. E. Church, where the meeting was held.

There was a good attendance and the day was most profitably spent and we believe each one present saw more clearly her responsibility and the urgent need of still more aggressive work.

Wayne County W. C. T. U. held a convention at Economy, November 7th and 8th, with a good attendance. All the unions in the county were represented.

Mrs. Hannah tSanley, who has faithful served the county as President for twelve years, resigned on account of other pressing duties.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Ella Hartley, Fountain City; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Marietta Overman, Richmond; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Bertha Marshall, Modoc, R. R. 27; Treasurer, Miss Virgie Stanley, Economy.

Grant County has a new union at Hanfield, ten members. Organized by Mrs. Julia Shigart. President, Mrs. Ella Shinholt; Secretary, Miss Anna Porter; Treasurer, Mrs. Maggie McCracken.

Miss Mary Sibbitts has ten dates in Grant County. Mrs. Sibbitts is an ordained minister in the Friends church and a national organizer and lecturer.

Miss Addie Dare, a public school teacher in Fowlerton, whose home is in Fairmount, recently gave a most beautiful and practical entertainment in Fairmount with the L. T. L. of that place of which she has charge.

The Oakridge Union was recently entertained in the home of Mrs. Lizzie Cammack (mother-in-law of Mrs. Cammack-Gibson). Mrs. Cammack for many years has proven her Christian worth by ministering to her invalid husband who passed on in the summer time, and now she, with her daughter, Vernie Cammack Howell, are giving their efforts to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

Mrs. Ann Shugart conducted a mother's meeting and Mrs. Edgerton, President of this Union, talked most effectively on keeping children in Sunday School and church.

Mrs. Trego began work at Hartford City, November 18, and will continue in the State for several weeks. All who want her services should write at once to the State Corresponding Secretary for date, so that her routes may be made out so as to avoid unnecessary travel and expense. This is a fine opportunity to secure one of our National workers without financial risk to the unions. For terms see November Message.

Every union in the State should have one or more copies of the State minutes. Every county and local superintendent should read the report of the State Superintendent of her department, which will be found in the minutes. The minutes

will also contain the splendid address of our State President, the reports of the State Corresponding Secretary and State Treasurer, a suggestive program for local unions, the State plan of work and much other material of value. Send at once if you have not done so, and secure this valuable help for your work. Let us equip ourselves for service, and make this the most notable year in the history of Indiana W. C. T. U.

Yours for advance,

MARY E. WOODARD.

The Crusader Monthly has an established place in the hearts and homes of nearly twenty thousand loyal Temperance Legioners and other young people. This is a great family to provide for, but Mother National is an excellent provider and announces better and richer feasts than ever for 1907. Loyal Temperance Legion features are to be maintained and some new ones, equally helpful to the L. T. L., added.

Special Feature for 1907.

Beginning with the January number, two pages of each issue of The Crusader Monthly will give just the helps public school teachers need in presenting to their pupils the principles of Scientific Temperance. These pages will be so interesting that Seniors, Juniors, fathers, mothers, teachers and pupils will all enjoy them together.

Each union should see that every teacher in the public schools is a subscriber.

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Temperance in Our Colleges. Without exception the temperance sentiment in our colleges of Southern California is of the highest grade. In connection with the teaching of Political and Social Economy, Chemistry and History, strong temperance lessons are taught; frequent addresses and debates are given on the subject and both tobacco and liquor are absolutely forbidden. At the University of Southern California there is a special course of lectures and study offered in "Economics of the Liquor Traffic."—Los Angeles Express.

THE USE OF CIGARETTES BY SCHOOL BOYS.

Dr. Brooks, Superintendent of the Public Schools of Philadelphia, recently requested the local superintendents to report to him the number of boys in their schools who, to their best knowledge, use tobacco, and also to state their standing in classes. The investigation showed in the elementary schools alone, and not including the grammar and high schools, a total of 6,076 boys, who use tobacco mostly in the form of cigarettes. The accompanying report of Dr. Brooks is most instructive—He says:

"Feeling a responsibility for the moral as well as the intellectual training of the pupils of the public schools, I present the above facts regarding the tobacco habit among the boys, for your consideration.

"The object of the public school is to educate intelligent and virtuous citizens. To do this the schools must not only train the minds of our pupils, but must also look after their physical and moral interests. Care should be taken that they do not acquire habits that will undermine their physical constitutions, impair their intellects or weaken their moral character.

One of the most injurious habits found among many boys in our larger cities is that of cigarette smoking. It weakens the heart, and injures the digestion, stunts the growth, and worst of all, vitally affects the morals of youth.

This statement is proved by the testimony of physicians and by carefully prepared statistics. In the great universities all over the world it has been found that the students who do not use tobacco stand higher intellectually and morally than those who do. Both the military and the naval authorities of the United States have given the question their closest attention and no student at Annapolis or West Point is permitted to use tobacco in any form. The French Government, as the result of a prolonged inquiry, has prohibited the use of tobacco under its control.

"What steps should be taken to check the use of tobacco among the boys of our public schools is a question upon which it is difficult to reach a conclusion. In several states laws are being enacted prohibiting the sale or even the gift of cigarettes to minors. Civic societies and other organizations are doing something for the suppression of the tobacco habit among the young of other cities.—The Christian Statesman.

The attitude of the saloon in politics is well illustrated by the following delivered by a Missouri senator in 1899: "Senators have said upon the floor today in this debate that they would like to see the saloon out of politics. So would I, and I will tell the senators when it will go out of politics: When every law restricting the liquor traffic is repealed; when you cease by legislation to discriminate against my business and to cripple it; when we can open our saloons on Sunday and run it as we could any other day of the week; when our business is placed upon the same footing and upon the same plane with every other legitimate business, then, and not until then, will the saloon go out of politics. We shall fight you until this is accomplished."—The Christian Statesman.

ELEMENTARY TRAINING.

Oliver Wendell Holmes said: "That the perfect training of a child should begin 100 years before it was born—in godly ancestry!" But not many children have godly ancestry for 100 successive years, while the multitude have not even an upright moral training after birth. Hence the average child must be educated to be moral and religious. And the sooner the teaching begins—the better.

As the first five years are almost exclusively spent at home, what a mighty responsibility rests upon the parents, especially the mother! Fresh, clean and plastic—without false impressions, the little mind lies before the parents. Shall they destroy its God given beauty—or train it up in the divine light? Words make an impression, deeds make an impression, looks and tones are imitated, thoughts are imparted, gestures and expressions are repeated, until the little one is a mirror for the family! Often the parents will hear their own ideas of right and wrong, expressed in the self same tones!

Now here, within these five years, is the all important time for elementary teaching—the simple beginnings of truth, righteousness and godliness. All these can be taught in a comprehensive manner to the little child. But some one will say, "He is too young to be taught much, let him eat and grow." Surely let him eat and grow—but how shall he be fed? Shall the mind be filled with Mother Goose Rhymes and all nonsense, because it is a jingle. Can there never be a simple rhyme or a sweet line about Jesus, or the love of God, or the beautiful flowers, or the singing birds which are all about him? Little children, and very young children love the music of rhyme, although the thought is not wholly understood. Now why not repeat musical rhyme with a thought in it, as well as a senseless one? And when the mother sings, why not choose a holy melody as well as something else? All such words of story and song unconsciously teach noble expression and good language.—Vermont Home Guards.

From International Reform Bureau Bulletin, 206 Pa. Ave., S. E. Washington, D. C.

The whole land, indeed the whole world, is ploughed up as never before with civic revivals, which will amount to little unless the seed of patriotic studies is promptly sown in this fallow ground. It is easier than usual to get people to read of reforms and to gather them for study in first voter's classes, current topic clubs and the like. Following the many religious revivals that have enabled many to "get right with God" should come equally systematic and persistent work in behalf of the second great commandment, which Jesus said was "like" unto the first in importance, and which the "great exposures" recently in commercial and political misdoings by leading church members show to be greatly needed.

GET RIGHT WITH YOUR FELLOW MEN.

It is the Supreme error of the churches that it has been assumed, in spite of the slave holding and the liquor selling of devout men in the past, that getting "right with God" will make a man instantly and instinctively right in all his complicated relations to his fellow men without education or organization to that end. The churches need not only theological seminaries to get men right with God but Christian citizenship committees in the machinery of every church—nor of its young people alone—that by public meetings and distribution of literature from door to door and by committee work—let law and order work be separate from the church—may get men right with men.

GOOD NEWS FROM SOUTH BEND.

Mrs. Kathryn Wert Holler, our efficient superintendent of Sabbath Observance, was the means of stopping a football game on Sunday, December 2. Vast preparations had been made to play the game every Sunday until New Year. The first Sunday over 2,000 people attended, paying admission fees. In the midst of the game, the law headed by our indefatigable superintendent, took hold, and the game was stopped much to the chagrin of those who played and those who paid admission. Mrs. Holler and her co-workers urged many of the representative citizens to use the phone calling up the chief of police, and such was the storm that the chief in order to have peace, enforced the law by putting a stop to the game. Grand stands were erected, fences put up and the ground prepared, at a large expenditure of money and time. These are now taken down, which means no more Sunday games within the city limits of South Bend.

In Memoriam. Mrs. J. B. Gonell passed to a Higher Life, December 7, 1906. Mrs. Gonell was an active temperance worker and a devoted christian. For some years she was W. C. T. U. president of Noble county, and her home in La Olla was the home for W. C. T. U. workers when in that section of the state. Mrs. Gonell moved to Kendallville only a few weeks ago, but has already identified herself with the W. C. T. U. The sympathy of our women all over the state, are with the sorrowing family.

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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ON GUARD.

"General Order 69."

By David James Burrell, D. D., LL. D., New York.

The friends of temperance are in danger of being caught napping. There is an impression that the effort to restore the sale of inebriating liquors in the Post-Exchanges of the Army has been given up. Far from it! The portentous silence in some quarters is simply due to the fact

There are five Bills, providing for the restoration of the sale of liquor in the Canteens, now in Congressional Committee; any one of which may be sprung at the opportune moment; that is, at the first moment when the people are sufficiently off their guard to permit it.

The secular papers, with a few notable exceptions, are lending themselves to this "still hunt." There are frequent articles, sometimes in editorial form, bearing upon the matter and practically all on one side. As a rule, they abound in mis-statements and perversions of fact. All efforts to correct them are vain. The columns of the secular press are generally closed against the advocates of temperance. How shall this be accounted for?

The official figures of the War Department show that in 1900 there were 1645 court martials for drunkenness and in 1906 (with canteen closed) 504. Does that look like a "ninety-five per cent. increase?" But get the newspapers to print that if you can!

And they say that practically all officers as well as soldiers favor the sale of liquor. How about Generals Miles, Shafter, Wheeler, Daggett, Henry, Boynton, Wilcox and Stanley? How about Colonels Durbin, Gunder, and Gless? How about Surgeon-General Sternberg and Surgeon Genella; with others of like character? But you will watch the papers in vain to see their side of it.

They say there is a dreadful state of affairs in the Army; a great increase of drunkenness, rioting, licentiousness, prolonged orgies and excesses of every sort, and all owing to the discontinuance of the traffic in liquor. This is important if true. If the American Army is made up of such soldiers the people ought to know it. Parents ought to know it before they permit their sons to enlist. God have mercy on a nation that leans for its defense on an Army of Drunkards! But the statement is not true. Who is responsible? In large measure, the officers themselves, who (very many of them being habitual drinkers) the newspapers say, furthermore, that the officers are no longer able to control their men; that they can not keep them from going to dives and dens of infamy outside the Posts; that discipline can not be maintained without beer; that insubordination is the rule, etc. This also is important if true. If the men in command are so lacking in the essential qualities of an efficient officer, the inference is plain. If Colonels in charge of regiments, with military law at their back, are not able to maintain discipline it is high time that we should have a different lot of Colonels. Was there ever a more humiliating confession of incompetency since Adam said, "The woman tempted me and I did eat?"

The appropriation of \$40,000 made by Congress to improve the Post-Exchange on Governors Island was used, instead for the improvement of officers' club room! And liquors are, at this writing, on tap on Governor's Island, despite the Amendment to General Order 69. Should this fact be questioned, the writer will be glad to substantiate it. And good people are still eulogizing the sanctity of law!

But back of all others engaged in this Campaign of the Canteen stands the Organized and Mobilized Army of Brewers and Distillers. It is these who command the "still hunt." It is these who control the Literary Bureau from which emanate the false and distorted pleas for the Army dram-shop. There is, moreover, a tremendous subsidizing power in the advertising contracts of the secular press; and there are millions of money to enforce it. Prior to the exclusion of beer from the Post-Stations the sale of liquor to soldiers amounted to three and a quarter millions of dollars in a period of two years! Is it to be expected that the Brewers and Distillers will quietly submit to such a loss? The fervor of "argument" for the return of the Beer-Canteen is chiefly to be accounted for in this way. "The devil tare him before he came out of him."

No doubt there are people who can have the wool pulled over their eyes; "but all the people can not be fooled all the time." The scheme is getting to be so diaphanous that any person of common intellect can see through it.

But the word is "On Guard!" If any is in doubt as to the merits of the argument pro and

contra he may satisfy himself by applying for literature to the National Temperance Society, 3 East 14th Street, New York.

LEGISLATIVE NEWS.

One of the most significant facts which has developed is the unprecedented number of States in which agitation to secure the submission of Prohibition constitutional amendments, is now simultaneously in progress.

Correspondence to the Associated Prohibition Press shows that State Prohibition amendment campaigns are now under way or bills to that effect are being introduced into the legislatures of New York, West Virginia, Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri, North Carolina, Georgia, Texas and Oklahoma. There are sixteen party Prohibitionists who are members of the legislatures in the above named States.

IN MISSOURI.

(By Associated Prohibition Press.)

Thousands of petitions like the following are already being circulated and are being rapidly signed in every part of the state:

"To the Senate and House of representatives of the 44th General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

We, the undersigned citizens and voters of the State of Missouri, hereby petition your honorable body that you take such action as may be necessary to submit to the voters of this State at the general election in 1908, a constitutional amendment, prohibiting within the State of Missouri, the manufacture and sale of all alcoholic liquors for beverage purposes."

Governor Hoch, of Kansas—"There are more towns and counties in this State today that are saloonless and jointless than ever before since the law was enacted. Results have been remarkable. In four-fifths of the 105 counties the prohibitory law is as well enforced as other penal statutes."

The Indiana Legislature is already considering nearly a dozen measures affecting the liquor question. (1) A new high license law for the State attracting special interest, and already receiving the endorsement of leading liquor dealers and politicians; (2) another bill proposes to "put upon the saloon keeper the burden of proof of legality of names on remonstrance petitions"; (3) another "making saloon contracts with breweries illegal"; (4) a bill "restricting saloons to incorporated towns and cities, and providing for specially defined limits for saloons in towns and cities"; (5) a bill "to treat all habitual drunkards as insane with special asylums for their treatment, and providing for a term of three years penal confinement for cases which such asylums do not cure."

In Colorado Governor Buchtel recommends the passage of a local option law as the "application of square deal to the saloon."

The Denver Times, January 3, 1907, discussing the question expresses public sentiment in these significant words:

"THE TEMPERANCE QUESTION HAS REACHED THE STAGE IN EVERY STATE WHERE IT REFUSES TO BACK UP AND BE HITCHED, and where heretofore the advocates of local option in the Colorado legislature have introduced their bills and gone down to glorious defeat, this session the result, it is claimed, is to be quite the other way."

"The sentiment is gaining ground that a business that has to have thrown about it all the restraints and protections of the law is a business not respectable enough to exist unrestrained in a civilized community and is making it necessary for the men behind the bung and vat to go slow."

Illinois Legislature—Representative John R. Goden says: "At least three-fourths of the house is new and the most of the new men were elected upon the reform platform to a more or less degree."

"Many of the men who were skillful in killing good legislation are not back, and these things speak well for the future for reformation."

"I have found a goodly number of men in the house who are total abstainers even to the use of tobacco. There has been a marked reform in the number of political jobs given out at this session, the number being cut down at least 25 per cent."

"The three Prohibition members were well received, and were given a place on the appropriation committee, which is considered one of the most important in the chamber. This is a recognition which the Prohibitionists have not had before. The outlook is very promising indeed."

Delaware's Governor in his message discusses the possible passage of a State local option law.

Massachusetts' Governor in his message says the State "is put to serious expense by the liquor traffic" and should receive at least half the saloon license money.

In Iowa and North Carolina strong State amendment campaigns are now in progress, which in the latter State is being enthusiastically led by the Governor himself, Hon. Robert B. Glenn.

The Memphis Commercial Appeal, January 14, 1907, declares that "temperance sentiment is stronger than was ever before known in the legislature," majorities of at least fifteen in the house and four in the senate being conceded to the anti-liquor crowd.

On January 9, in the house Representative Potter introduced a bill "to extend the 'four-mile law' throughout the State." (The bill provides that no liquor shall be sold within four miles of any school house in the State.) A similar bill was also introduced in the senate January 9. Another bill to extend the provisions of the Adams local option law to every city except Memphis has also been introduced.

"The State of Missouri is not going to receive its code of morality from the saloon keepers," is the way the Kansas City Times, on January 9, editorially epitomizes the present legislative situation in this state.

The brewers are excited over Governor Folk's official recommendations which urge additional legislation making law enforcement easier, and extending the local option privileges to St. Louis.

Never before have there been so many party Prohibitionists in legislative office. Their advent marks a new period in the reform.

The effect upon old party legislatures which this handful of Prohibitionists has already made is extraordinary.

The very presence of one or more men who owe no allegiance to the saloon, and represent a party openly pledged to fight it, has at one stroke ended the reign of indifference to and contempt of the temperance question which the old party legislators have for years perpetuated without fear of interruption.

Already the Prohibition-Independent senator in the legislature of New York has startled the long dominant Republican ring of that body with the announcement that he will at once introduce a bill for a State Prohibition constitutional amendment, and at least compel a hearing upon it which will no doubt embarrass the York State Solons, who come from strong temperance districts, and be sure to provoke more agitation of the issue throughout the State than has been known for fifty years.

Hon. Robert L. Bland, Prohibition-Democrat in the West Virginia legislature, has already made good a similar threat, and on Monday, January 14, he offered in the house of delegates a joint resolution providing for an amendment to the State constitution prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors.

A new fight for a State Prohibition amendment, which is being vigorously advocated by many local papers is also exerting strong influence upon the State lawmakers.

Senator Root has introduced two important measure in the upper house, viz: (1) "A bill requiring packages of liquor to be labeled 'intoxicating liquor' before being consigned for shipment," and (2) "A bill providing that the county of delivery of intoxicating liquors shall be termed the place of sale of such liquors." In the house Representative Hart has introduced "A bill providing a system of local option by counties on the question of granting license to sell intoxicating liquors."

Evanston—City of Homes, Schools and Churches—No Saloons—A recent issue of the Evanston, Ill., Press contained a unique full-page drawing in the form of a beautiful arch-way, representing "The Stones that have built up Evanston of Today and Will Sustain it in the Future," each of which bears the names of the special institutions.

Dispatches From the Firing Line—Of which Chicago's famous suburb is particularly proud.

Evanston's thirty prosperous churches compose the stately sides of the arch, while her schools and university are, of course, conspicuous. The Y. M. C. A. and W. C. T. U. are represented as the capstones of these church pillars upon which rest "Evanston's Homes."

But beneath all as the broad foundation-stone of her prosperity the Press gives prominence to "The Special Act of the Legislature Prohibiting the Sale of Liquors Within Four Miles of the University, Passed in 1855." Such is the disinterested tribute of the leading secular paper of this Prohibition city of 25,000, to the value and beneficent effect of this half-century bulwark against licensed saloonism.

Miss Luelia McWhorter
2312 College Ave.

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W. C. T. U. Day at the Indianapolis Local Council of Women, Tuesday, February 5, 2:30 P. M., at the Propyleum on North street, near Penn. street. Every union within thirty miles should be represented.

HIGH LICENSE.

F. T. McWhirter, Ph. D.

Everybody sees the evils of the liquor traffic. Even the politician of the perpetuation parties are driven to some new measure in order that the growing demand of the people for a remedy may be met. There can not be any longer indifference. The people are crying out against murder mills, pauper manufactories, and disease breeding institutions called saloons. The burden of increased taxation, the disgrace of divorce records, the brutality of the indescribable crimes in their horrors and atrocities are being more and more traced to the saloon door.

What shall be done? Ultimately prohibition is the only solution—the only logical thing to be accomplished. But the Republican and Democratic parties can not take this step without suicide.

These parties have a working, dominant, constituency and a balance of power which holds within its grasp life or death if its voice is not heeded. The liquor traffic will not permit prohibition and die without pulling down the pillars and in its death destroying both the Republican and Democratic parties.

Hence the alternative of high license is proposed. The liquor traffic knows that its victims, slaves to depraved appetite, will pay the price. The congregating of large numbers in fewer places will increase the treating custom and enlarge the trade. The opportunity by the monopoly under higher license will make possible the attractiveness of the fewer places and young men will be more readily allured. The bribe will push the opposition of the tax-payer who has been deceived into the belief that his burden has been relieved and the politician will have greater reason to overlook law violations, with his hands filled with blood money.

Gamblers, bands, wineroms and clubrooms will swell the coffers of the high-license saloon and lend its proprietor an influence and power never dreamed of by the so called dive keeper.

Some day these inevitable results will be seen by a long patient and slowly awakening people and in the day of vengeance the liquor traffic will die at the hands of the Prohibition party, which knows no compromise and will never lay down its arms until the arch foe of humanity, of God and country has been vanquished.

NO TEMPERANCE LEGISLATION

The liquor men are ever on the alert. Their heavily paid attorneys serve them well. During every session of the State Legislature the liquor men become actively at work for some radical legislation in their favor. Thus they divert the activities of the temperance people from aggressive temperance legislation.

How shrewd they are! The salaried attorneys make it their business to keep up such agitation as will put the temperance people on the defensive.

Instead of the temperance people taking the initiative for aggressive legislation against the liquor business, they find themselves constantly trying to ward off the blows of the liquor men.

We must change this condition.

All can help. Our good men everywhere in Indiana must have their attention brought to this matter; now is the time.

From the pulpit.

From the Sabbath School platform.

From the lecture platform.

In all meetings for civic righteousness.

Through the influence of our press superintendents.

By individual effort. This is a work in which everybody can help, viz:

To cause the good people, men and women, to consider how the liquor men prevent temperance legislation in Indiana. By causing to be widely published statements concerning the bills they will introduce in the Legislature. Thus succeed in scaring the temperance folks, who drop everything else to defeat the work of the liquor men instead of using their energies and efforts to get real temperance legislation. For many years this has been the tactics of the liquor men.

Now is the time to emphasize this condition.

For the Door of Hope some county commissioners are paying a per capita rate for each inmate from their counties. This is fair. All counties will do this when sufficiently informed upon the needs of the Door of Hope. The Indiana Medical College furnishes all medical services besides paying the rent of the building.

The daily support of the Institution must be met by contributions from the county commissioners and from individuals.

February 17 is observed as Frances E. Willard Day in nearly forty countries of the world.

In Indiana every union should make this a great day for the cause.

Public meetings this year everywhere because February 17 comes on Sunday. For literature concerning the life and work of Miss Willard, send to Miss Ruby Gilbert, 915 Silversmith's Building, Chicago, Ill.

Miss Gilbert and her associate, Miss Addie Austin are white ribboners. They now have a fine assortment of temperance literature and biographies of our noted workers.

Send postal today for catalogue and get the material with which to supply those who will take part on your program.

Make this day one for the ingathering of members. Use the W. C. T. U. membership pledge card's without stint. Especially make a plea for honorary members. We need the gentlemen of all ages. We need, and for ultimate success, must have the co-operation of the ministers and earnest christians everywhere.

Miss Frances Willard said: Only the Golden Rule of Christ can bring the Golden Age of Man.

In many places our school buildings are named for illustrious people. This year let us see our influence in every way possible to have school buildings named for Frances Willard. In doing this the wonderful life and character of that lover of humanity will be studied.

For our unions seek the pious women and men of your community. There is always an appeal to such that arouses deepest interest.

We need the help of the praying women and men now in Indiana as never before.

The lack of deep spiritual experience by the mass of our church members and the seeming indifference of many toward the arch enemy of the church and the home, the liquor business makes the need of an increased earnestness and determination to continuous effort among the faithful membership of the greatest importance.

"This One Thing I Will Do" must be the motto of our earnest W. C. T. U. women and girls. Work for total abstinence. Seek opportunity to have the subject of temperance presented from the pulpit, from the Sunday school platform, in the Young People's societies of the church at their important meetings, besides holding frequent evening meetings of the union, with interesting programs. Indiana must be saved from the curse of the open saloon. This must be done by the united efforts of the good people. To be united we must have organization. This need is met by the splendid organization of the W. C. T. U. Distribute copies of the Annual Leaflet to all ministers of the gospel, to all school teachers and to the thinking, earnest leaders of all Young People's societies of the churches.

These Annual Leaflets are little compendiums of information regarding our wonderful organization. They are published by the National W.

C. T. U. Price one cent each, or seventy-five cents per hundred.

Order from Mrs. Harriet W. Brand, National Treasurer, Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill.

The Declaration of Principles of the W. C. T. U. should be read at every public meeting held by the union, also published in the W. C. T. U. news columns occasionally.

Logansport, Ind., Jan., 1906.

My Dear Co-workers:

The New Year brings greeting from our beloved National Superintendent of Mercy and I am loth to pigeon-hole such a treasure without first sharing it with The Message. I trust that each Mercy superintendent will ponder it o'er and place it near by for ready reference during the coming year. I did not ask Mrs. Lovell's permission to do this, but I am sure she will pardon my generosity, so consider it a stolen bon-bon, chocolate coated and sweet to the taste. From twenty-one superintendents written, December's mail brought me twelve encouraging responses and I believe there are more to follow.

For cruelty is everywhere,

In what we eat, in what we wear,

In many pleasures dark and fell

When harmless fun would do as well.

Flora Trueblood Neff.

Wyncote, Pa., 1907.

Dear Friend, Mrs. Neff:

I am glad to be able to send you my annual greeting earlier than I did last year, and I am happy to tell you that I can start with a feeling of great hopefulness. Owing to the imperfect reports obtained from local unions, we never get a just idea of the work that is being really done, but there are always indications showing that more work is done than is reported, and results in individual cases are so marked that one cannot fail to thank God and take courage. In fact, success is, and must be our watchword. I have never in my life met any one who expected to fail who was successful, and I have never met any one who had a steady determination to succeed who failed. Dear friend, is it not worth while to succeed in such a work as ours?

I will first speak of the coming printed report. For two years I have not issued any, as the amount of notice it has been receiving seemed to be insufficient to warrant the expense, but this year, as there is a World's W. C. T. U. report, I shall unite it with that of the National and send them to all National and State superintendents. If you care to have more than one copy, will you kindly let me know on receipt of this how many you think you can use, so that I can have some idea of the size of the edition to print.

I am unable to report this year any addition to the number of humane education laws, but I am hoping that constant effort is being made for the development of sentiment favorable to such legislation. The American Humane Association, the federation of humane societies in the United States, of which I am the secretary, is making sentiment toward the enactment of such laws, and I would suggest that in any effort for humane laws you try to obtain the co-operation of any humane society in your State which can be induced to help, thus saving time and money, and avoiding misunderstanding or the introduction of bills which might not be acceptable to all.

Again I must speak of the fact that but little attention is paid by superintendents to the subject of vivisection. This is strictly a moral question, and no superintendent should listen for a moment to arguments which claim that our dumb fellow creatures should be sacrificed or tortured for the possible benefit of humanity. Humanity has no right to benefits, if benefits there ever are, obtained by such means, and it is borne in upon me that we have now reached the time when we should work more vigorously against this special form of wrong. A little more courage would in many instances deliver people from fancied ills. Nervous diseases are largely controllable by the will, and it is so-called diseases of the human nervous system which prompt some of the most dreadful experiments on the nervous systems of animals. But as this is a moral question the above is more a statement of fact than an argument. The only thing to consider is, is it right or wrong to commit cruelty. I shall be glad to send at any time a full assortment of samples of anti-vivisection literature, and I hope that the subject may receive more study and attention among our superintendents than heretofore.

I cannot tell you the great love I have for this department—this work for God, and for the dear women who co-operate with me in it. It is a great comfort to know that some day I may see them face to face, though it may not be in this world. In the meantime my love goes out to them in full measure, and my earnest prayers for their happiness and success. To you, dear friend, as the leader in your State, I send a special and most affectionate message. May God bless you most abundantly this year, and may you feel the comfort of the Holy Spirit always.

Lovingly yours,

MARY F. LOVELL.

The Greentown union is doing a very good work. It consists of forty-eight regulars and five honoraries. Our average attendance is from sixteen to twenty members. November 25, the World's Temperance Sunday, was observed by all the churches.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF 1ST. QUARTER, 1906.

Allen County.	Fairmount	14.30
Boston (Monroe-ville)	Gas City	4.55
Francis Willard,	Back Creek	6.50
Ft. Wayne	Deer Creek	5.85
Hoagland	Swayzee	3.25
	Maple Run	6.50
	Sweetzer	3.90
	Van Buren	5.85
	Griffin	1.95
Bartholomew County.	Haufield	7.15
Columbus	Oak Chapel	3.90
Hartsville	Farrville .....	.65
Columbus (Orin-oco)	Shugart	1.30
Petersville	Maple Street	1.30
	Little Ridge	2.60
	Fowlerton	3.25
	Jonesboro	1.95
	Grant	6.50
	Marion Central ..	5.85
		\$98.80
Benton County.		
Boswell		4.55
Oxford		1.95
Otterbein		2.60
		\$ 9.10
Blackford County.		
Hartford City ...		3.25
Rall		2.60
Fairview .....		.65
		\$ 6.50
Boone County.		
Lebanon		2.60
Thorntown		2.60
Zionsville		7.15
		\$12.35
Carroll County.		
Burlington		1.80
Deer Creek		2.40
		\$ 4.20
Clark County.		
Henryville		8.45
Jeffersonville ...		3.90
Utica		4.55
Charleston		1.95
		\$18.85
Clay County.		
Brazil		\$10.75
Clinton County.		
Kirkland		1.30
Mulberry		3.90
Jefferson .....		.65
Rossville		2.65
Frankfort		4.55
		\$13.05
Dearborn County.		
Lawrenceburg ..		.65
Aurora		1.30
Moore's Hill ....		.65
		\$ 2.60
Decatur County		
Greensburg		1.30
DeKalb County.		
Butler		1.30
Auburn		5.85
		\$ 7.15
Delaware County.		
Eaton		1.95
Normal City		1.30
Albany		8.45
		\$11.70
Dubois County.		
Ireland .....		.65
Elkhart County.		
Goshen		3.90
Elkhart		3.90
Middlebury		1.30
		9.10
Floyd County.		
New Albany		2.60
Galena		5.20
Georgetown .....		.65
		\$ 8.45
Fayette County.		
Connersville		1.95
Franklin County		
Bath (Memorial) \$		7.15
Gibson County.		
Princeton		5.20
Grant County.		
South Marion ...		9.10
Upland		2.60

Monroe County.	
Bloomington	\$14.95
Stinesville	2.60
Smithville	2.60
	\$20.15
Morgan County.	
Mooreville	1.95
Martinsville	1.95
Morgantown	5.20
	\$ 9.10
Noble County.	
Kendalville	\$18.85
Ohio County.	
Rising Sun	\$ 5.20
Owen County.	
Gosport	\$ 2.60
Spencer	1.30
	3.90
Parke County.	
Marshall	\$ 2.60
Bloomington	1.30
	\$ 3.90
Porter County.	
Valparaiso	\$ 1.30
Pulaski County.	
Winnamac	\$ 1.30
Star City .....	.65
	\$ 1.95
Putnam County.	
Greencastle	\$ 6.50
Steuben County.	
Hamilton	\$ 3.90
Ray .....	.65
Fremont	1.95
Pleasant Lake...	4.55
Angola	3.90
	\$14.95
St. Joseph County.	
Chapin Park	\$ 5.85
Colfax Ave	2.60
Pleasant View ..	.65
Frances Willard.	2.60
	\$11.70

Tippecanoe County.	
Lafayette Sol-diers' Home ...	\$ 3.25
LaFayette Chrys-lite	2.60
LaFayette Monon	3.25
LaFayette	5.20
LaFayette Central	2.60
LaFayette Edger-ton	3.25
	\$20.15
Vanderburg County.	
Howell	\$ 1.95
Evansville Cen-tral	2.60
Evansville Fran-cis Willard ...	.65
	\$ 5.20
Vermillion County.	
Dana	\$ 5.20
Vigo County.	
Terre Haute ...	\$ 1.95
Wabash County.	
South Wabash...	\$ 1.95
Washington County.	
Salem	\$ 1.30
Evergreen	1.95
	\$ 3.25
Wayne County.	
Economy	\$ 2.60
Frances Willard, (Richmond) ...	3.90
Mary F. Thomas, (Richmond) ..	1.95
Fountain City ...	2.60
	\$11.05
Whitley County	
Churubusco	\$ 5.20
Wells County.	
Bluffton	\$ 6.50
Tocsin	3.90
Keystone	4.55
Six Mile	1.30
Elhanan	4.55
Ossain	9.10
Nottingham	4.55
Reifsborg	2.60
Poneto	1.95
	\$39.00

RECEIPTS.

Balance From last year	\$1,359.72
Local Dues	609.70
Rec. on Minutes	60.45
Rec. for Hadley Industrial School.....	706.86
From Mrs. Sarah D. Seibert, Franklin End for Hadley	1,000.00
Mrs. Stanley while in the field collections	
L. T. L. Dues	3.80
Organization fund from unions	14.20
Convention fund	1.50
Dues from unorganized counties.....	5.75
Returned by Mrs. Layhinger, balance over expenses to Nat. Con.	46.95
Returned by Mrs. Stanley, balance over expenses to Nat. Con.	31.00
Received on miscellaneous account.....	30.01
Cash at Portland, contest money an evening and Sunday collections	75.15
Total	\$3,988.34

DISBURSEMENTS.

One half of Supt. appropriation	\$ 125.00
Mrs. S. M. Stahl, services at Portland and one Premium lecture	7.50
Mr. R. P. Grimes, P. M. Anderson on deposit	3.00
Mrs. Lida Outland, Hadley school	47.50
Mrs. Harriet Brand, National treasurer.	231.15
A. H. Jones, attorney, fees and expenses	74.45
Herald Publishing Co., minutes, mes-sages and State printing	371.70
Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, expenses to Na-tional convention	100.00
Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, exp. to Nat. Con..	75.00
Mrs. Lizzie Hann, emergency fund	20.00
Clara M. Sears, petty expense check ...	22.69
Coal Bluff Mining Co., car load of coal, Hadley	55.00
M. O'Connor, Indianapolis, groceries for Hadley	34.10
Sears & Leib Co., bond for treas	8.00
Mrs. Josephine Walmer, excess of check	1.00
Mr. Y. F. Edwards, prem. on Ins. policy	7.00
Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, salary and trav-eling expenses, field work	56.25
Mrs. Ida M. Mix, L. T. L. dues.....	18.05
Mrs. McWhirter, Supt. transportation..	8.07
Mrs. Rose Pearce, organizer, expenses premium lectures	13.20
Mrs. Kate Lee, trav. exp., organizing....	1.90
Anderson Trust Co., on deposit.....	1,000.00
Mr. Luther Hadley, freight on coal for school	22.00
Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, expenses in-curred by the Davis Ext.	25.00

Mrs. Vaylanger, traveling exp. to State con, expense bill and appr.....	59.48
Miss Mary Woodard, quarter's expense bill and appropriation	112.23
Mrs. Mattie Gibson, ex-bill traveling ex-penses, phalanx and appro.....	47.85
Miss Clara Sears, 1st quarter's expense bill and appro.	98.40
Mrs. Stanley, trav. exp. to State con., exp. bill and trav. exp. and salary for field work	65.25
Mrs. Hann, trav. exp. to State con.....	2 46
Mrs. McWhirter, editor Message.....	20 00
Mrs. Mary Hale, exp. to trustees' meeting	.65
Mrs. Mary Harris Hill, Co. dues ret'd..	1.65
Mrs. Ida M. Mix, 1/2 L. T. L. appro....	10.00
Mrs. Daisy Barr, 1/2 Y.W.C.T.U. appro.	10.00
Mrs. Rose Pearce, prenni lecture.....	2.50
In Cash to Mrs. Florence Richards, lec-ture con.	25.00
In cash to Mrs. Rebecca Treago, help dur-ing St. Con.	10.00
In cash to Mr. Halpenny traveling ex-penses to convention	5.00
In cash to Marion Co; gaining 100 new members	7.79
Less to close account previous canceled checks	236.03
Total	\$2,963.48
Balance on hand	\$1,024.86
CLARA M. SEARS,	
Treas. W. C. T. U. of Indiana.	
Hartsville, Ind., Jan. 21, 1907.	

My Dear Sisters:—

I have written to each local and county president of some important things which need our attention at once, but I feel that I want also to say a word through the Message as every woman who wears the white ribbon reads it. It cheers my heart to hear that some of the unions have made good gains since State convention. Some county presidents wrote "We are out for the 100 gain this year," others, Grant for instance, say, "to double," and my heart says hallelujah! Every woman who wears the white ribbon is a constant menace to the saloon. Wears, yes, WEARS it seven days in the week, at home or ABROAD.

I trust every available man and woman in each of your communities have their names on a Suffrage petition, and these petitions have been sent to Mrs. Laura Thompson, Greensburg, Ind., before you read this Message. If you have not done this work, please do it immediately, so we may send up a petition worthy of our great organization and the cause for which we stand.

March 1 is Union Signal Day. Are you planning to send in enough subscriptions to the Signal to make your list equal one for every four (4) members?

A number have written me that they are praying for a leader for a Loyal Legion. Where this condition exists, let's couple along with our prayers, the study of the Legion Manuals on the effect of Alcohol and the Government's relation to the evil and I believe the prayers will be answered. When a woman who loves to work with children becomes familiar with these truths she will be willing to give herself to this work.

The inquiry has come to me, "Does the W. C. T. U. indorse White Ribbon Baking Powder—is it in any way connected with the enterprise?" I want to say to every white ribboner that the W. C. T. U. indorse NONE OF THESE FINANCIAL SCHEMES,—these names have been given to these things thinking possibly to catch the eye and probably the patronage of our women, I suppose.

Praying the baptism of power upon every woman in our ranks, I am yours for service,
CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

The Albany W. C. T. U. has made great gain during the last quarter.

We are fortunate in having for our president, Mrs. Kate Wallar, a woman strong intellectually and spiritually. Mrs. Wallar is also our County president. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley was with us for a parlor meeting and at night gave her famous lecture, "At the Mercy of the State," which was well received. Albany was twice blessed in securing Mrs. Trego for four lectures which awakened a great deal of Temperance zeal among our people who responded with a collection to the amount of \$23.90. Two delegates and eight visitors attended the State Convention at Portland and came home with their hearts on fire for the cause of Home and the State. A reception was given at the home of Mrs. Martha Wilson, January 3d, for the nineteen new members who, with one honorary, were received during the September quarter. Our free will offerings for the past quarter amounted to \$29.00.

Campbellsburg W. C. T. U., on New Year's night, began a play entitled "Out in the Streets," for the benefit of the union, assisted by members of the Anti-Saloon League. The play was a success and the public received it so well that we have been urged to give it again, which we will do at some future date. We netted \$11.30.

W. C. T. U. women make public sentiment. Our Press Superintendents are a wonderful force in every place where they work.

FIELD NEWS

Managing Board of Hadley Industrial School: President, Mrs. Lizzie Harm, Franklin, Ind.; secretary and farm manager, Mrs. Lidia Outland, Upland, Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall, Franklin, Ind.; treasurer, Miss Clara M. Sears, 222 W. 14th street, Anderson, Ind. Friends desiring to send endowment funds to the Hadley Industrial school will send direct to the treasurer, Miss Clara M. Sears, whose address is given above, and the gifts will be credited and promptly receipted.

The W. C. T. U. of Keystone, Indiana, held its first Matron's Silver Medal Contest, Saturday evening, January 12th.

Six contestants took part and were greeted by a large, enthusiastic audience. The medal was won by Mrs. Katie Cochran, the youngest member of the class, a charming matron of twenty.

A choir made up of honorary and acting members of our W. C. T. U. sang several beautiful songs. Our L. T. L. also sang two songs that were highly appreciated by the audience.

Mrs. Dr. Goodin and Mrs. Josephine Walmer, of Bluffton, were present and pleased the audience very much with their words of wisdom and god cheer.

There will be other contests held during the year, which we hope will be as successful as the first.

Yours in the Work,

MRS. O. E. HAGLER, Press Supt.

Miss Hattie Cottingham, president of Bright Union, Dearborn county, was married on January 4th to Mr. Geo. W. McKinstry. The bride is also the very efficient county superintendent of S. T. I. work, and county vice president and will be greatly missed in the work. They will reside in Cincinnati, where Mrs. McKinstry will continue in W. C. T. U. work. The best wishes of Dearborn county write ribboners follows them.

At **Monroeville**, December 29th, at the home of Rev and Mrs. Martin, the husbands and members of the W. C. T. U. and the honorary members gave a reception to the union, receiving and entertaining their guests in a royal manner. Rev. Martin as master of ceremonies, Mr. Wm. Miller as chef, Dr. Marquardt as head waiter, and Mr. J. W. Meeks presiding at the dish pan, with their corps of willing helpers acquitted themselves with credit and conveyed the impression that they were well versed in the mysteries of the culinary department. They served a very appetizing, three course supper which was thoroughly enjoyed by the ninety-five persons present. The long tables were three times filled and the ladies decided that the gentlemen were quite accomplished cooks.

Not content with showing their skill at serving the banquet, they prepared a musical and literary feast. Mr. Darrell Barnhart presided at the piano, Master Virgil Youse recited "Boys' Rights," "Women of the Past" by Mr. John VanBuskirk was very interesting. Mr. J. C. DeLong gave a short talk on "The Advantages of Equal Suffrages," followed by Rev. Martin on the "Justice of Equal Suffrage." The Eureka quartette furnished several selections.

At the close of the program Mrs. Lucy Yeuse, president of the Boston W. C. T. U., in a few well chosen words thanked the gentlemen in the name of the union for the very pleasant evening which had been thoroughly appreciated. The smiling faces and freedom of those present attested to their enjoyment. A free will offering was received which resulted in seven dollars being added to the treasury of the union. Taken all in all it was a most pleasant and profitable evening; a fitting close of the year's work and an inspiration to the women to work more earnestly and with greater zeal in the year 1907 "For God and Home and Native Land."—Ft. Wayne Journal-Gazette.

A profitable gospel temperance service was held in the Christian church Dec. 16th, Mrs. Wilber Pfaffenberger and Mrs. Smith in charge of an excellent program. A large audience, good collection, hearty welcome from pastor and people, a cordial invitation to come again greatly encouraged the society. Program follows:

Seymour W. C. T. U. held a gospel temperance meeting in the Rockford M. E. church. Mrs. C. R. Hoffman, county, and Mrs. Susan Smith, local, superintendents evangelistic work in charge. The Rockford choir; Ladies' Quartette, Seymour; Misses Carrie and Joy, and Master Sam Smith furnished excellent music. Mrs. Smith's address, "The Wages of Sin" and "God's Gift, Eternal Life," was given close attention. The house was filled. Twenty-two signed the pledge cards. A good collection was given, also a cordial invitation to repeat the visit. The monthly gospel temperance meeting held by the Seymour Union promises good results.

The **Hoagland** union had a temperance rally on World's Temperance Sunday. A fine program, consisting of songs, addresses, recitations and papers, was given by the members of the Boston and Hoagland unions, assisted by some others. Four new members joined, all having paid their dues. One honorary joined and paid dues.

Mrs. Irene Gard, president of Warren county, writes: Mrs. Trego was in our county and visited the unions. Through her influence and good lectures we had a gain in members. At Roanoke

twenty new members. We think we will be safe in saying that we have gained thirty members in all. She is worth having. She reaches hearts. One Drayman said it was worth one dollar to him.

Vincennes W. C. T. U. lost their city missionary by removal. Hereafter we will use our utmost efforts to carry forward some of the work. We are endeavoring to keep up a regular subscription to a fund to be used in promoting the work. Evangelistic work is carried on at the Jail, Orphans' Home and Poor Asylum by the superintendent of each department. Mrs. E. M. Fuller, our recording secretary, solicited funds, purchased an organ and presented it to the Orphans' Home in the name of the W. C. T. U. Dr. Ellis gave us an excellent address on "Woman's Opportunity" at our New Year meeting. There is a large field for temperance work here but the laborers are few. We are praying the Lord of the harvest and making a strong effort to interest more workers.

Mrs. Seth Pease writes: The LaPorte union held a parlor meeting at the home of Mrs. Oscar Parkell January 11th, with a good attendance. Rev. Harmon had charge of the devotionals. Rev. Cox, pastor of the Friends church, led the singing. The program was profitable as well as interesting. A gain of seven was made in membership, two being honorary members. May the good work continue is the prayer of this union.

The **Muncie W. C. T. U.** feel that we have much to be grateful for and that the Lord is abundantly blessing our efforts. Our service held in the jail on the Sunday preceding Christmas was very impressive and we believe that lasting good will be the result. Prof. Ira McKinney of the Muncie Conservatory of Music, with three students and their instruments, led the singing for us. Rev. Marsh and our own Bro., L. C. Masters, gave very helpful and interesting talks and others who took part were wisely directed. Tears flowed copiously down the hardened faces. Several signed the pledge; some requested our prayers; three, I believe, have recently been converted. Eternity alone will reveal all the good accomplished in these services held every Sabbath afternoon at three o'clock. There were fifty male and five female prisoners, among whom, at the close of the service, were distributed candy and oranges. To each sack of candy our W. C. T. U. text card was tied with a white ribbon. The treat was seemingly highly appreciated, as many expressed their gratitude. It was a touching service and we believe that much good will result from the meeting held in the name of our God.

Miss Birdella Beam, R. F. D. No. 1, Columbus, writes to the editor: "Our State President sent us word that she wanted us to double our membership. We will not stop at that. Our newspaper people are so nice to us that I am sure we are gaining ground by it. I think the local and county press superintendents have an important mission if they would only work. I find the papers are anxious for news. Every few days they telephone me for temperance news. I told some friends I had dedicated our telephone to the temperance cause."

Orinoco W. C. T. U. is a new union, and is in a suburb of Columbus, Bartholomew county, was organized Sept. 18th, 1906, by County President Margaret Collier. We began with six charter members, and now have thirteen with one honorary member; have met twice a month, have given three silver medal contests and had one public meeting, gaining two members. We have a band of faithful workers and are affixing the temperance cause. We have a neat sum in our treasury, from contest work alone. We are anxious to entertain our State Lecturer, Mrs. Stanley, whenever we can have her services. Our officers are: President, Mrs. R. W. Harlowe; vice president, Mrs. Georgia Newton; corresponding secretary, Miss Birdella Beam; recording secretary, Mrs. Ida Hilt; treasurer, Mrs. Lillian Essex.

Resolution presented to the Indianapolis Local Council of Women by Mrs. Martha L. Gipe, president of Marion county W. C. T. U.:

The members of Marion county Women's Christian Temperance Union, numbering several hundred, most of whom are mothers, desire to put themselves on record as being in favor of raising the salary of the public school teachers, not only of our city and county, but of the entire State. But we strongly protest against raising the liquor license to one thousand dollars in order to do this work. We therefore, desire to submit to the Local Council of Women of the city of Indianapolis the following resolution:

Whereas, We, the women of Marion county Woman's Christian Temperance Union, are banded together for the protection of the home, the abolition of the liquor traffic and the triumph of Christ's golden rule in custom and in law, and

Whereas, we believe that each man's habits of life should be an example safe and beneficent for every other man to follow, and

Whereas we believe that a one thousand dollar license would have the effect of making the liquor business respectable, and thus hinder or retard further legislation on this most important subject, and

Whereas, we believe it is not right to enact a law which would compel our broad-minded, large-hearted, capable men and women, who train and educate our children and youth, to derive their living from a fund which deprives many children from securing an education, and is a direct enemy

of both the church and the school, we therefore, Resolved, That we agitate and educate against the enactment of a \$1,000 liquor license law in our State and request all women, especially mothers, to join us in this movement, and we further recommend that the Local Council of Women shall use its influence in having the men in office, whose duty it is, to see that all fines imposed are collected and that if it is found that this amount is not sufficient to pay our school teachers living wages, that some honorable method be advised whereby they shall receive proper remuneration for their services.

The people of Indiana do not want saloons.

A mother's prayers will bring results.

The little child whose mother dedicated it to God and trains it to serve Him will grow up to honor the mother.

Among the list of states, Indiana is a license state. Here in Indiana we have a law granting the privilege, a license, to sell liquor by the payment of a certain sum of money.

The right in Indiana to sell liquor is sold for a money price. Think of that.

Every man who favors a license law—high or low—is favoring the continuation of the saloon business.

Liquor selling drug stores and liquor selling grocery stores should be classed with the saloons. There are enough good druggists and grocers for our temperance people to patronize and we should do it always in preference to those who sell alcoholic drinks including beer.

Not until in very recent years were women seen drinking in public places in Indianapolis.

A total abstinence pledge signing crusade now in Indiana is what we need. In towns and the smaller cities it could be very effectively done by the churches and the W. C. T. U. co-operating in a house to house canvass, conversing with the home keepers, securing their signatures and leaving cards for those men who could not be seen at their places of business.

This temperance work becomes each month more and more hard to hand, heart to heart struggle. Never has there been such a demand for individual effort and influence as now. What are you doing?

How many young men and young women have signed the pledge since Jan. 1, 1907, through your influence?

In some towns and some cities the temperance agitation is kept up by the W. C. T. U. and others until social drinking is under a ban. In such places the society editors of the daily papers report the entire details of social functions, omitting entirely the account of serving of wine.

This is by request of course, to shield those entertaining from the censure of public opinion. For there is a mighty strong sentiment against women, especially mothers, serving wines or liquors in their homes.

The voices from all classes of society, the wail of submerged souls behind the bars, in sanatoriums, hospitals and almshouses unite in condemnation of the mother who gambles or in other words plays cards for prizes.

RED LETTER DAY AT ELKHART.

A large number of members and friends of the W. C. T. U. together with a delegation of white ribboners from Goshen, met at the home of Mrs. R. C. Travis, Tuesday afternoon to observe "Mothers' Day" which is a World's and National Red Letter day. The rooms were suggestive of the fact, being decorated with red bells, and large and small red hearts. During the short business session, Central Union voted to entertain the State Convention next October, Mrs. J. A. Grant, local superintendent of Purity in Literature and Art, provided a splendid program and introduced as the first number Dr. Ingalls, who gave an able paper on "Pure Food." In regard to law he said, in part, "The subject of 'Pure Food' has only within the last decade worked itself out in any effective legislation. As the Hepburn law is a national law, the national government can only interfere when products are intended for interstate commerce, so it has been necessary for the passage of state laws which have thoroughly aroused the people." He gave a description of many of the so called pure foods and stated that the efforts of the W. C. T. U. along many lines were greatly hindered on account of this deception.

Rev. H. N. Spear spoke at length on the "Lessons Drawn by Children From Impure Bill Boards." He read a portion of the state law bearing upon the subject, which is very stringent. Surely the Christian people, also the people who are morally right, agree with the W. C. T. U. that no amusement performance or exhibition, should be advertised by means of pictorial posters or placards which are lewd, indecent or vulgar or which pictorially represent the commission of or the attempt to commit any crime or bodily violence.

Dr. J. A. Work gave a splendid address on "Medical Temperance." He said, "the physician's sphere is to aid nature. The physician is nature's servant, therefore the physician should be temperate in the use of medicine."

During the meeting Mrs. Styers sweetly sang "Indiana's State Song," also the "White Ribbon" song. After the program a social time was enjoyed and refreshments were served.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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REMARKABLE DECISION.

Judge Samuel R. Artman of Lebanon has ruled that the Indiana liquor license law is unconstitutional. This position was first generally proclaimed by the Prohibition candidate for Governor in 1904. It has been held by many fore-thinkers among prohibition workers, but has never found expression in the courts in such explicit ruling as that of Judge Artman. The U. S. Supreme Court has laid down general principles, but it remains for each commonwealth to act from these premises. Every temperance worker should read this opinion. It is destined very soon to be printed in pamphlet form, and, doubtless, Judge Artman will be compelled to heed a growing demand for copies. Already his mail is crowded with congratulations and requests for full copies at the expense of the persons making such requests.

Among his congratulations, A. G. Tobbs of Cincinnati says: "There is great rejoicing over your decision all over the land. I think it is the most important in the country's history."

W. A. Swank, an attorney of Crawfordsville: "It was with a great deal of delight that I read your decision on the liquor traffic license statute."

A. M. Everman, a merchant of Burlington: "I am filled with joy that we have such a high-minded man who knows his duty and, knowing, dare maintain."

Dr. W. E. Shaw of Cincinnati: "I deem your decision epochal, the beginning of a period of wiser dealing with this monstrous parasite."

Alex. Gilmore, a Chicago grocer: "I deem it a duty and a privilege to address you on the subject and state my great appreciation of your just decision."

Church, McCurdy & Sherman, a law firm of Chicago: "We have noticed an account of the opinion rendered by you to the effect, as the newspapers quote you, that the state has no power to license dramshops. We have a great deal of litigation against the dramshops in one form and another, and are very anxious to get a copy of this opinion, and more particularly anxious to have a copy on Monday next. Would you do us the favor, at our expense, to have a copy made and forward to us?"

Ex-Congressman M. D. White: "I wish to congratulate you on your decision."

John S. Maxwell: "Allow me to congratulate you on your courageous ruling. In the face of two generations of established practice and custom in law, to say what has been done so long and so universally can not be legally done, will doubtless win for you much cursing and much blessing and may put yourself in a small class who are ahead of the march of civilization, blazing out the way. But you will be followed and quoted by many another judge and by legislators as the daylight of great reforms broadens. You may be marked off the political calendar by political bosses as unsafe, but your name will be enrolled among those whose memory will be blessed by succeeding generations as the prophet of a great reform."

On the other hand, a narrow editorial of the Indianapolis News shows the influence of liquor advertisements and of mutual interests with brewers and distillers. This editorial is so puerile that we do not deem it worth quoting.

Surely a better day is dawning.

GREAT AWAKENING.

Over two hundred bills touching the liquor traffic were introduced in thirty-three state legislatures within the month of January. Notwithstanding the failure of high license to lessen the iniquity and widespread desolation of the saloon in Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Michigan, Nebraska and Illinois, nevertheless Indiana, Maryland, Minnesota, Missouri and Oregon are now making efforts in the same direction. Legislators can not remain ignorant of the damage coming from high license in the face of the increasing demand of the people for the utter overthrow of the saloon. The chief liquor paper, "Mida's Criterion," has this editorial:

About the Only Thing

That can save the saloon in the larger cities is for them to enter into an agreement to a high license and to restricted territory."

The sentiment is growing stronger and ought not to be flagged with the red rag of high license. Such revenue endangers the growth of popular indignation, which would sooner outlaw every dramshop. Then, too, how cunning the device to turn a large per cent. of such revenue to

The Public School Teachers.

Be it said to the credit of our teachers, the



MISS CLARA M. SEARS,
Treasurer W. C. T. U. of Indiana.

large majority stand unalterably opposed to such a barter. Thousands of homes, too, feel the sting of the beast from the liquor dealers that they are helping to educate the children. May we be saved very soon from this disgrace.

The Indiana Legislature has passed the blind tiger act and it has been signed by Governor Hanly and is now

The Law, and Drastic

Enough to force every unlawful joint, club and drug store to the wall and its manager behind prison bars for a second offense. A copy of this law should be in every home, to be used as a club for the serpent when he seeks entrance. Already at Clark's Hill, Petersburg, Danville, Kokomo and many other places the temperance forces are at work. Write to Hon. Sidney K. Gainard, Lagrange, Ind., for a copy of the law. He is its author and at his request several hundred copies have been printed. Send postage for return, as he is swamped with letters and it is asking too much to have him pay on each return. Until about March 10th his address will be care State Senate, Indianapolis.

But, lest we forget, in connection with the great awakening we, as members of the

Women's Christian Temperance Union,

And Prohibitionists, are entitled to the largest credit for seed sowing. The thousands of medal contests, the prizes given to young people in high schools and colleges for temperance orations; two-day W. C. T. U. Institutes held annually in nearly every county in Indiana for a period of ten years; the work of the W. C. T. U. press reporters; the public meetings held by the local unions; the county conventions held every autumn with petition work; the campaigns waged over the state by Prohibition candidates who have spoken the heart sentiments of the very best in our commonwealth; the educative power of the Prohibition and W. C. T. U. press; these have done most for the onward march and ultimate triumph of the people over the saloon. The way has been blazed, for the church, which, always conservative, has spoken after the reformer. Later in the procession we find the Anti-Saloon League in its place only a little in advance of the wiser politicians, who see the trend of public demand and are headed against the saloon. But the politician of the wiser kind and the Anti-Saloon League are yet too far in the rear to permit any relaxation of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and the Prohibitionist.

Sentiment Has Been Made

And will continue and grow only by the leadership and energy of the forces that have thus far fought the battles. Laws will not enforce themselves, perpetuation policies will be tolerated and liquor bribes accepted just in the ratio of indifference by men and women who stand unalterably opposed to the liquor traffic in the church, in the schools, in the homes, at the BALLOT BOX and in the policy of the Republican and Democratic parties.

Woman suffrage bills were introduced in both houses of the Indiana Legislature and one was killed in the Senate by a vote of 24 to 22. Get names of members who voted no.

Mrs. Helen M. Gougar was responsible for the introduction of these bills and was granted the privilege of addressing the House of Representatives, at which time the Senate adjourned and heard her.

Mrs. Gougar spoke briefly and made unanswerable arguments. She was gracious in manner and speech. By her eloquent presentation of facts she elicited much great applause and favorable comment.

Later: Mrs. Gougar will address a meeting in the House of Representatives on the evening of Feb. 18, which will be largely attended.

The Sabbath Observance "Call to Prayer" leaflets are now ready and can be secured from Mrs. V. F. Cox, Tabor, N. J., or your state superintendent at 10 cents per 100. Let me urge that you order literature early, that it may reach you in good time for your meeting.

Are you interested in this work? If so, do something to help besides wishing "something could be done." Twenty-five 2-cent stamps will bring 500 leaflets, and you cannot estimate what good they may do. Busy? Yes, so are others; but when the day is done, much that you have spent time in doing will count for naught in eternity.

KATHRYN WERT HOLLER.

State and Associate Nat'l Supt.
South Bend, Ind.

FROM MRS. ROSE PEARCE, STATE SUPT. W. C. T. U. INSTITUTES, CAYUGA, IND.

Dear Sisters: Another year has rolled around and the institute season will soon be with us once more. I hope that every county president is not only thinking but planning and praying for the success of this important department. If we as white ribboners would do our very best work we must be informed in all up-to-date matters concerning the great cause of temperance. True we can read these things in our own homes, and many of us do this, but the gathering together of the membership from all points of the county for conference continuing a day and a half, with discussion upon given subjects, does much to enlarge the outlook, develop the executive ability, instruct new members in the general work and to create sentiment and enthusiasm to push the battle to the front.

We are going to make a great effort this year to bring the national banner back to Indiana, but in order to accomplish this every county president, every local president and all the membership must rally to the help of the department.

The plan for the institute will be found on page 77 of Annual Report. Though you may be familiar with it, may I suggest that you again read it over and refresh your memory?

In some places it is not found that the public will come out to a temperance lecture, and in such cases I would recommend that a social evening be planned, this to be held in a church or a home, as the case may best suit. Let invitations be given to those whom you wish to reach. Have a short program of music, recitations and a few moments for the institute leader to put the work before the people, but be sure to give time for social intercourse, as in this way we reach many people. Let this evening meeting precede the contest evening, if possible.

Correspond with the leader of your section at once, or if the leader's name is not published, then write to me and I will be glad to give you any information.

May the institute season of 1907 be a very fruitful one, and may the blessing of the Heavenly Father be over the White Ribbon Host, is my prayer. Again I ask you to write me for any needed information.

W. C. T. U. INSTITUTE PROGRAM.

First Day—Morning.

- 10:00—Meeting of county union for semi-annual reports of the work.
- 11:00—Plans for pushing the work, presented by the county executive. Discussion.
- 11:30—Open parliament. Ind. W. C. T. U. Hadley Industrial School. Gratifying results. Some things needful.

Afternoon.

- 2:00—Music. Opening devotional exercises conducted by a department superintendent.
 - 2:15—Greeting by county or local president.
 - 2:25—Response and organization by institute leader. Appointment of secretary, reporters, committees on membership, subscriptions to periodicals, etc.
 - 2:45—Music.
 - 2:55—What appliances and preparation do I
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All moneys for whatever purpose, including the Hadley Industrial School, must be sent to Miss Clara M. Sears, the Treasurer, whose address is given above.

MID-YEAR MEETING, MARION, APRIL 23— SUFFRAGE PETITIONS PRESENTED.

Hon. Charles Landis, member of Congress from Indiana, is expected to move for a constitutional amendment prohibiting polygamy.

Vice President Fairbanks invited Reed Smoot to preside over the national Senate the other day while he was called from the room. With Beveridge and Fairbanks both favoring this Mormon apostle, Indiana women must bestir themselves to help these men to remain at home in the future.

Attend your county Institute and urge others to do the same.

The Sunday baseball bill is receiving favorable attention in our legislature. Do something by way of protest.

Tennessee's new law makes that a prohibition state. Think of that!

Copies of Judge Artman's decision can be secured by applying to Hon. Charles E. Newlin, 5372 East Washington street, Indianapolis. Every temperance home should have a copy.

Marion county is planning a campaign to increase the membership to one thousand. If that can be done some kinds of legislation will be made easier.

If you have knowledge of members who have moved to Indianapolis send the name and address so they can be looked after.

State Trustees meet at Bertha Ballard Home in Indianapolis.

Mrs. Gougar addressed the meeting of the trustees for one-half hour on municipal suffrage and urged that every white ribboner speak to her representative on the subject.

The Indiana W. C. T. U. executive committee will hold its mid-year meeting at Marion April 2 and 3. There will be a two-days' session. One evening will be devoted to a high-grade medal contest.

Mrs. Vayhinger will speak on Sunday preceding the mid-year meeting at Marion.

Our president has sent out 1,350 communications, state and national, on legislative work.

The West Branch Church was filled with white ribboners and their friends Tuesday all day to celebrate the sixteenth anniversary of the organization of the Deer Creek Union. Mrs. Gullie E. Shugart conducted the program, which began at 10 o'clock and continued until 4 p. m., with an intermission at noon for dinner and a social hour. After a Bible reading by Mrs. Sarah S.

Edgerton and a short business session the forenoon was occupied by reports of the world's convention at Boston and the national convention at Hartford, Conn., by Misses Dorothy Luther and Cora Knight, who attended those gatherings. The feature of the afternoon was an essay contest conducted by Mrs. Susannah Ratliff. Following are the contestants and their subjects: Bennett L. Shugart, "The Church vs. the Saloon;" Rev. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, "Signs of the Times;" A. W. Jay, "The Home or the Saloon—Which?" Rev. Harvey Ratliff, "Attitude on the Saloon Question." Mrs. Gibson carried off the honors. The judges were John Q. Thomas, Mrs. N. B. Kelley and Mrs. Jewell. The prize was "Learning to Ride a Bicycle," one of Miss Willard's books. A resolution protesting against the tainted money from the saloon license being used to pay for the education of our children, as proposed by the \$1,000 license bill now before the legislature, was adopted by a unanimous vote.

Treasurers! Please begin to collect dues at once. By the time you receive this issue of The Message each county treasurer and local where there are no county organizations will have received the second quarterly blank, and this means one-half of the year is gone. If all dues had been on time we would have held our own last quarter. As it was we fell a little below. Now let us all try and bring up and make a gain over last year this time.

Lovingly

Anderson, Ind. CLARA M. SEARS, Treas.

MID-YEAR MEETING OF THE L. T. L.

The mid-year meeting of the Indiana Senior Loyal Temperance Legion met in the reception room of the public library at Marion Feb. 2.

All the state officers, several superintendents and many active workers were present to exchange views and make plans for the coming year.

The program for the state convention, which is to be held in the Methodist church at Elwood July 9, 10 and 11, was formulated and made ready for the printer.

A few of the plans, which were taken from the national plan of work, were as follows: Pay dues for all members; get the greatest possible number of subscriptions for the Monthly Crusader; one hundred and fifty graduates in Indiana toward the two thousand from the nation; the continued effort to place an L. T. L. missionary in Japan, with the change in name from the Japan L. T. L. fund to the Anna A. Gordon fund.

Miss Hillis, the state president, and also one of the national lecturers, has agreed to spend three months, beginning with March, in field work for Indiana. We are expecting her to do wonderful things toward the upbuilding of our cause in Indiana.

The coming convention promises to one of great help to the workers. We expect to have Miss Margaret Wintinger, national L. T. L. secretary; Miss Addie Austin, representative of the Temperance Publishing House, and several of the state W. C. T. U. officers with us. They will all have a place on the program.

HARRIETT M. STOCKTON,
State Supt. of Press.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

The second quarter of our L. T. L. year has passed and only nine legions sent in any report. Will not all superintendents of legions who did not report December 25 please send same to Mrs. Mix at once? And should there be any of you who read this article who have not reported since our June convention please send report for the first six months. Do not include anything since December 25, as that should come in the third quarter's report. Please be assured, dear co-worker, that this is of utmost importance and well worth all the effort it may cost you.

Our Joy Bells have been omitted from necessity, the explanation of which is brief—worn out duplicator. We had hoped we could make a duplicator do our work, but it is incompetent for the vast amount of work Mrs. Mix and I want to do for the legion. The expense of refilling the duplicator is too great to be kept up. It is our opinion, after some experience and investigation, that the most economical and satisfactory arrangement would be the purchase of a good mimeograph, and in the January "Extra" you have read our request. Have you yet sent in any money contribution? If not, will you not please do so at once?

Of the national plans given in the January Message, let us, in Indiana, make an especial effort to follow these—1. A. 25,000 Crusader Monthly subscription list. Our list now is lower than a year ago. That is not progress and we cannot afford to lose ground along any line. 2. A paid membership in Indiana of 3,000. We have more than 2,200 enrolled members in the state now. But we have never paid dues for 2,000 yet. Just think for a moment what it would mean to our state work if we had from \$100 to \$150 for our work in Indiana. Will you not please give this a little deep, earnest thought and then collect dues from all your legioners and begin this at once? And do not forget that both the 11

cents undergraduate and 26 cents graduate dues are to go to state L. T. L. treasurer, Mr. Nathan Leufestey, 625 West Fourth street, Marion. 3. Continued contribution to the Anna A. Gordon fund (missionary fund). Only about seven legions made any contribution last year. Not one of these will fall below the gift of last year and those who did nothing at all last year should arrange some gift for this year. 4. As many of our girls as will do so, to become active members of their local W. C. T. U. 5. Development of our workers through the L. T. L. Correspondence Training School. 6. Formation of L. T. L. normal classes in the W. C. T. U. 7. Training of senior legioners for service in the junior legion. I know of one junior legion in the state that has been abandoned for lack of leader, and yet there is a senior legion in that city. Let us remember our own training is to fit us to help others, and that it is so much easier to grow up good than to break wrong habits once formed. So a long, steady pull altogether, nothing fearing, for He who is our leader never yet met defeat. Yours for a larger success,

Kokomo, Ind.

EDITH HILLIS.

HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Dear Sisters: The holiday festivities are over, and we again settle down to the regular routine of work and responsibility. I will give you a few items from the Hadley Industrial School. Since the convention we have changed farmers. As we told you at the convention, Mr. Hadley did not want the care of the farm longer, so we have hired Mr. Frank Nelson, who not long since was a student at Purdue, to do the farm work next year. He began work in December. He and his wife and baby live in the house. He seems to be the man we have needed for some time. I tell you it was very hard for the superintendent and matron to care for the furnace through the winter, besides caring for the stock, etc. We have a new girl in the school, which makes eleven at home and two in Franklin high school. We can accommodate some more girls now, as there have been several placed in permanent homes during the summer. Since the convention Miss Turner resigned and Miss Lesley has been reinstated as superintendent, Mrs. Nelson, the farmer's wife, assisting.

It has been thirteen years since we took charge of Hadley Home. There has been wear and tear on the buildings. We have been in debt and "hard run" and have not kept them in good repair. Now I feel that we ought to revitalize the wood work of the rooms most used, also the front entrance. The kitchen flue should be higher. The kitchen is full of smoke the greater part of the winter. The second story veranda floor is unsafe, the floor having rotted. The large hall floors should all be oiled. There is entirely too much drudge work for two women and small girls, for we have but one large girl in the school and she is not old enough to scrub large halls, stairways, etc. Sisters, I don't think we ought to expect so much work, especially of the kind they have to do, of such small girls. We must make the housework easier by making the floors in a better shape somehow. Then the laundry work is too hard, for their washing machines have long since given out. Our bedsteads need enameling, and new wire springs for them. They have been in constant use for thirteen years. Just think how yours would look in that time if they had not been enameled or polished. We need some more carpets. The most of ours are very much worn. Our lounge in the sitting room is worn out, and we have only a very few rockers—not enough for our company any more. We have but two good table cloths and a very few napkins. Not enough large cooking stews and kettles. We need a good teakettle that will pour without taking so much time; large dippers and good buckets; small dressers for bed rooms, and hall lamps. The writer nearly fell down the stairways several times groping through the darkness to find the way to the dining room. All these and many other things it takes to keep our school in a fit condition to make good housekeepers and good-tempered, orderly women of our girls. Environments have much to do with the moral training of children. No one likes to work when everything is out of repair and doesn't look much better when she has done her best to make it look well. We are proud of this institution. It has done much good in the world already, and if managed right will do more good in the future than ever before. We are very thankful for help and material already received, but our needs are many. We would that every Union would help a little and the burden would be light.

LIDA OUTLAND.

OFFICIAL.

The call for the mid-year executive meeting to be held at Marion, Ind., April 2d and 3d. First session will be held at 2 p. m. on Tuesday, April 2d. The members will be entertained for supper, lodging and breakfast by the Marion ladies. A good noon lunch can be procured at the restaurant for 20 cents. The executive is composed of the five general officers, two branch secretaries, the county presidents, the board of Hadley school and editor of Message. A full delegation is desired.

CULLA J. VAYHINGER, Pres.

FROM ASSOCIATED PROHIBITION PRESS.

Minnesota: The estimated cost to the liquor traffic of the Sunday closing in Minneapolis is \$1,000,000. A liquor lobbyist said regarding the county local option bill: "This is the stiffest proposition we have been up against in this State. If we could be dead sure of putting it on the bum for \$500,000, it would be cheap."

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., has just enjoyed its first "dry" Sunday in many years. The mayor is a Democrat. Whether the mayor is at heart a Prohibitionist, is not known, but his venerable mother is, and she is also president of the local W. C. T. U.

Mayor Gray, of Kansas City, Kansas, has reduced the police force in that city down to eighteen—only one-half are on duty at a time. No joints, no police needed.

The Supreme Court of Wisconsin has just decided that the license of any saloon may be revoked for any infraction of the liquor laws. In case a violation of such law is not immediately followed by the revocation of the license in question, the city council may be mandamus and impeached for malfeasance.

The Wine and Spirit News gives its own case away by reporting the fact that a leading industry of Detroit recently found that on one day out of 125 checks returned to its office 72 had been cashed in saloons; on another day 54 checks out of 93 came from the rumshop; on a third day 44 out of 87. These checks covered a total of \$18,000. The saloon doesn't do that for fun, nor for philanthropic purposes.

"Will Missouri Go Dry?" is the headline in a double-leaded news spread on the first page of the Kansas City Star, Feb. 10th. Prohibitionists, led by Chairman Stokes, are startling the beer-whisky politics of the State of Folk, with a campaign for Constitutional State Prohibition, which is striking a big popular response. Brewer Busch's friends are said to be mighty scared at the outlook.

The Sunday School Times in its issue of Feb. 9th, makes pointed and fearless editorial reply to a reader who asserted that one of its recent articles "greatly insulted every Christian man and woman in this country," because it put the question, "Who Keeps the Saloon Open," square up against the license voting church members. A physician in Nebraska does not seem to recognize this truth when he writes:

"In your World's Temperance issue you have, in my judgment, greatly insulted every Christian man and woman in this country. When you give the prize for the best temperance illustration to the man who assumes to answer the question, 'Who Keeps the Saloons Open?' You make it appear that you endorse his sentiment when he said, in effect, that the church and church members keep them open. I am well aware that this sentiment has been preached up and down the land by so-called temperance reformers and some light-weight preachers; but it is false, and an infamous slander upon the church of Christ, and seems to me absolutely without excuse.

"Only a moment's thought should convince every person that it is the drinking element in society which keeps the saloon open, and doubtless it is the Devil in that element which dominates it. Even if all Christians were to combine in a solid vote to close the saloons and prevent drinking, it could not be done, because the vast majority of men, who are the voters, drink more or less freely whether there are saloons in the community or not.

"Let us in the interest of true temperance teach the truth that the drunkard makes himself such, and it is not the Christians who fail to do their duty, nor yet the saloonkeeper, who is responsible."

The Times' editor's reply:

"Every man is responsible to God for the duty of making the world a better place to live in. Every man is responsible to God for the duty of removing stumbling-blocks from his brother's path. And the nearer to God a man lives, the heavier becomes his responsibilities for his fellows; that is one of the rewards of duty done.

"The man who is strong has the duty and privilege of helping those who are weak to become strong. The man who is sober has the duty and privilege of helping to save the drunkard from his drunkenness. Even some saloon-keepers recognize this duty, when they refuse to sell liquor to the men who have 'had enough.' Shall the Christian church fail to take as high ground as the saloon-keeper who, in this faulty way, is at least reaching out toward the truth that he is his brother's keeper?

"D. L. Moody once said that the world had yet to know the power of a completely consecrated church; an aroused church, conscious of the Power within its grasp, awakened to its responsibilities for the world.

"It is the church of Christ that is responsible for heathendom abroad and at home, heathendom in the saloon, and in politics, and in business, and within the church itself.

"The Church first, saloon-keepers second, the weakened drinking-man third, would seem to be a fair setting down of the order of responsibility for the existence of the particular form of temptation that makes drunkenness easy in every Christian land.

"It is true that every soul alone is responsible for itself before God for the acceptance or rejection of God's proffered salvation; but it is not true that the tempted man will be held responsible for the uninvited attacks of temptation which stronger men ought to have kept for him. For that failure, those who make up the Christian church will have to answer."

The North American Review has become a whole-hearted champion of equal suffrage for men and women. Any one who has not read it should look up the Review's fortnightly issue of December 21 and read and save for future reference the splendid editorial (pp. 1333-1336) entitled "Good Women a Majority."

The Georgian, the new six-months-old daily newspaper of Atlanta, Ga., edited by John Temple Graves, is proving to the world that a great metropolitan journal can be successfully published without liquor advertising. Nearly 400 miles of paper weighing eight tons was required to print one recent issue of the new enterprise.

The Chicago Tribune is giving more and more news space to the Prohibition reform. A recent issue contained a news spread of the progress of Prohibition in Kentucky, illustrated with a wet and dry map of the whole State.

Matthias Kimball, of New Hampshire, is the first Prohibition member of the Granite State Legislature. He was nominated by the Prohibitionists, endorsed by the Democrats and triumphantly elected from the Guilford district.

New Hampshire is the Tenth State with Prohibition members of their Legislatures. The others are Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Illinois, Minnesota, Washington and Florida.

Grand Master Kendrick has issued an order prohibiting intoxicants in the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia. A liquor dealer is not accepted as a Mason in Georgia.

The Oklahoma W. C. T. U. presented a petition for State Prohibition signed by 15,000 citizens to the Constitutional Convention. Mrs. Abbie B. Hillerman, President of the Oklahoma W. C. T. U., thus epitomizes the situation:

"We have won a great victory for Prohibition. After a twelve hours' debate by the ablest men of the Constitutional Convention, it was decided by an overwhelming majority, that we should have Constitutional Prohibition for the whole new commonwealth for twenty-one years. Under the terms of the enabling act—with stronger provisions for its enforcement.

"This decision is to be submitted to the people as a separate proposition and voted upon at the same time as the Constitution. If it receives a majority vote it then becomes a part of the Constitution.

"The Chairman of the Liquor Committee, Mr. Luke Roberts, led the debate for the Prohibitionists. He was ably supported by a number of others whose record that day will make one of the bright pages of our new State's history."

The President has been sending an unusual number of messages to Congress. And of course, you have read them. But do you recall a single sentence in any of them referring to the debauching influence of the liquor traffic?—*Epworth Herald*, February 2, 1907.

Just as the whole Nation is becoming aroused against drink as never before in its history, a most significant event transpired in Pittsburgh, where on January 30 and 31, 1907, at an inter-church conference, in which official temperance leaders of sixteen great denominations participated, the plans were discussed and adopted for **The organization of a National Inter-Church Temperance Federation** of all the churches in America, to carry on a unified, practical and persistent campaign for the final overthrow of the rum demon in the United States. The denominations whose temperance leaders participated at Pittsburgh, represent an aggregate strength of more than 15,000,000 communicants.

Judge Ben. E. Lindsay, of Denver, Col., says: "As a judge I have faced the woes, the trials, the miseries, and broken homes of society caused only by a want of a proper solution of this problem of problems. Thousands and thousands of homes have been broken up, caused by the traffic in intoxicants. I have divorced four thousand people. I have tried no less than 6,000 children in the past six years. This lamentable social condition is traceable in a large degree to the legalized saloon."

The Brewers of the United States are in open rebellion against the State and local government under which 33,000,000 people are now living and half the area of the nation included. This is no mere assertion. From the rapidly growing mass of data in proof of it half-a-dozen startling facts are at once evident:

1. **In Congress** the brewers have for almost a decade held up and prevented the enactment of legislation giving Prohibition States and lesser districts the simple right of self-protection from the invasion of liquor-agents bent on defying the people's will under cover of these unmodified inter-state regulations.

Congress could—and would—change this situation at any session in five minutes time, were it

not for the beer lobby, which masquerades in Washington under the high-sounding title of the "German-American Alliance," with a corps of legal advisers," headed by "\$15,000 "Special Attorney Hough, of St. Louis, of the National Wholesale Liquor Dealer's Association.

The following is an excerpt of the speech made in the Minnesota Senate by a Prohibition member, the Hon. —, in nominating W. J. Dean, of Minneapolis, for United States Senator:

"We hold and you know it to be a fact, that it is wrong to license a traffic that breeds idiots, paupers, lunatics, epileptics, and casts them upon society to be supported by decent, honest and industrious people.

"We hold it to be wrong to license a traffic that increases our taxes by creating a demand for jails, penitentiaries, hospitals, asylums, orphanages, reformatories, police and criminal courts.

"We hold it to be wrong to maintain a national quarantine against dependent criminal classes from abroad, and at the same time license 250,000 saloon-keepers to manufacture criminal and dependent classes in our own land; and this is why I nominate a candidate who is heart and soul in harmony with these principles of ours.

"I have the honor to name a gentleman who is a very good man. He has given hundreds of dollars yearly for temperance work and the protection of the home against the saloon. He is a good business man. He is a patriot and a philanthropist and one of God's noblemen. I have great honor in nominating for the office of United States Senator, W. J. Dean, of Minneapolis, and I shall, when the roll is called, cast my vote for him."

Louisville, Ky., has a solid mile of wholesale whisky houses, but ninety-five counties of the Blue Grass State have voted to bar their wares from the people, on the ground that it is poison and dangerous to public welfare.

Mayor Waterhouse, of Pasadena, Cal., thus sums up the results of Prohibition in that noted Pacific coast city: "No license has caused more people to make their home in Pasadena than any other one thing."

The Saturday Evening Post asserts in a recent editorial that "The wise men of the United States Senate have learned that rule number one of successful political continuation is to heed instantly, any movement that has the women and the churches back of it." We wish this were exactly the facts.

Three big wineless public functions all within the past fortnight—in Pennsylvania, Delaware and Colorado. In Delaware it was the monster banquet given by United States Senator-elect Richardson, on January 29th, to the members of the State Legislature. In Colorado it was Governor Buchtel's banquet at Hotel Savoy, Denver, January 31st, to 300 members of the State Assembly and officials. In Pennsylvania it was the Philopatrian Society's annual ball at the Academy of Music, February 11th, at which Governor Stuart, Mayor Weaver, and more than 600 leading citizens were the guests of honor.

Prohibition for the District of Columbia is just now the slogan of a thoroughly organized movement at Washington, which is backing Congressman A. R. Webber's bill to abolish the drink trade in the Nation's capital city. Rallies are being held in all parts of the city, and a hearing on the bill scheduled before the House District Committee, Thursday a. m., Feb. 14, 1907, received great attention. The press dispatches tell of a thousand temperance people of Washington city headed by our own splendid Mrs. Clinton B. Smith marching to the Capitol Building, while only about fifty people could get into the committee room, the others either stood near by or marched through the halls, frequently passing the committee room door, thus lending the influence and moral support of their presence during the hearing. The representative for the liquor interests said in a speech that prohibition was a failure, mentioning the Tennessee law and stating that Neal Dow, the father of Prohibition in Maine, had said before his death that he was mistaken, etc. To this last statement there was a chorus of objections and regarding the Tennessee condition. Representative Sims, of Tennessee, a member of the committee, stated in strong language that the gentleman did not know what he was talking about, and spoke emphatically of the favor with which the law was regarded and of its excellent results.

With usual unfriendliness, some of the dispatches indicate that this great number of temperance people who went to the capitol building were not orderly, etc. We know Mrs. Clinton B. Smith—a lady of unusually strong personality, culture and refinement. She was invited to assist President and Mrs. McKinley, and the wives of the cabinet members in receiving the delegates who attended the National W. C. T. U. convention held in Washington city in 1900. At the close of the reception Mrs. McKinley, as a token of esteem, presented her with a beautiful bouquet of roses. Under the able leadership of Mrs. Smith the District W. C. T. U. has accomplished much, and the now unfriendly press will eventually accord her a place as one of the noble Christian women of high social position, who have used all her powers for the uplift of humanity.

W. C. T. U. INSTITUTE PROGRAM.

(Continued from page 1.)

need for successful work in the W. C. T. U.—by the president.

- 3:05—Discussion. supt. literature and institute leader.
- 3:15—Committee on periodicals take subscriptions.
- 3:40—School Savings Banks. The development of thrift, industry, self-responsibility and temperate habits in children. Presentation of facts and discussion of methods. Practical bearing of the department on temperance—by supt. of dept.
- 4:10—Song. Announcements. Adjournment.

Evening.

- 7:30—Song. Prayer. Special music. A temperance musical or an oratorical contest, or both combined. Admission charged for institute expenses. Extend invitation for new members while judges prepare report. Music. Announcements. Aaronic benediction.

Second Day—Morning.

- 9:30—Devotional by a "Y" member.
- 9:40—Temperance for the Sunday School and the Sunday School for Temperance—why and how? By dept. supt.
- 9:55—Pass blank paper to as many in the audience as will ask from one to three questions on the enfranchisement of woman, or will give briefly from one to three reasons why she should or should not have the ballot. Discussion (see 11 o'clock below).
- 10:00—Department Round Table, embracing the departments and the Y. and L. T. L. branches. Department superintendents and branch secretaries each to give a short drill or paper or otherwise present the work. Discussion to follow each presentation.
- 10:45—Physical culture exercise. Music.
- 11:00—Question box for the department of franchise (see 9:55 above), conducted by the leader. General discussion.
- 11:30—Building a living monument to Frances E. Willard—How and by whom? Leader. "O'er all the world her name doth heart bells ring."
- 10:15—The call to service. Scripture quotations and prayer, evangelistic supt. Announcements. Adjourn for lunch.

Afternoon.

- 2:00—Devotional—local president.
- 2:10—Why study a digest of state laws? county president.
- 2:20—The best way to conduct a legislative campaign—Supt. legislation and petition. Discussion.
- 2:35—Licensed evil (as applied to the liquor traffic, etc.), a violation of the purpose and spirit of the law. Discussion by a superintendent of schools or a college professor, a lawyer, a minister and a White Ribboner, eight minutes each. General discussion.
- 3:15—Special music.
- 3:30—Importance of the new inter-church movement for temperance, basis of federation. Discussion by the ministers or a representative of the different churches, eight or ten minutes each. General discussion. Music. Announcements. Adjournment.

Evening.

- 7:30—Music. Invocation. Special music. Address, "Why Disenfranchise Woman?" by the leader. Or, debate, "Resolved, that the Welfare of the Home and of the Nation Demands the Ballot for Woman." Affirmative, 20 minutes; negative, 35 minutes; affirmative, 15 minutes. Song, "Don't Let the Women Vote." Offering. Invitation for new members. Special music. Closing prayer.

TOPICS FOR OPEN PARLIAMENT.

1. This year's legislation.
2. Benefits to be derived from entertaining the National W. C. T. U. Convention at Indianapolis in 1908.
3. Medical Temperance—Proprietary Medicines.
4. The Army Canteen; Present Situation.
5. The Need of an Anti-Polygamy Amendment to the Constitution.
6. Mothers' Problems.
7. Pure Food Laws.

MARY HADLEY HALL,

Nat'l Supt. W. C. T. U. Institutes.

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MISS ROSE PEARCE,

State Supt. W. C. T. U. Institutes,
Cayuga, Ind.

The Deer Creek W. C. T. U. celebrated their sixteenth anniversary at West Branch February 5, 1907, with an all-day meeting, a full house and keen interest. After a short business session in the morning there was an interesting Bible reading by Sallie S. Edgerton and reports of world's and national conventions by Miss Dorothy Luther of Fairmount and Miss Clara Knight of Back

Creek. The feature of the afternoon was a contest in essay, conducted by Susannah Ratliff, with the following contestants: Mattie C. Gibson, "Signs of the Times;" Rev. Harvey Ratliff, "Attitude on the Saloon Question;" Arthur W. Jay, "The Home or the Saloon—Which?" Bennett L. Shugart, "The Church vs. the Saloon." Mrs. Gibson received the prize, one of Miss Willard's books. The meeting voiced by resolution its united opposition to the pending high license bill. Music by Florence Shugart, Nannie Mart and Eva Malott. Irma Smith gave a pleasing reading, as did also little Delane Kelley. This union is aggressively active and financially prosperous.

GULIE E. SHUGART.

ELKHART PRESS MEETING.

The W. C. T. U. was well represented at the home of the president, Mrs. H. Millard, Tuesday afternoon. After a short business session, the local press superintendent took charge of the press program. The motto hymn of the W. C. T. U. was sung and then each lady responded to roll call with a press quotation.

Frances E. Willard Settlement (incorporated), 24 South Russell street, Boston, Mass. Under the auspices of the Young Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Massachusetts. This corporation is constituted for the purpose of providing, maintaining and supporting a home or homes for young working women or women earning very low salaries, or those training for self-support who need temporary aid, and helping in any possible way those who are strangers and need assistance; also establishing, maintaining and supporting a settlement for the social, educational and moral enlightenment and training of those with whom it comes in contact.

Mooresville W. C. T. U. Since our union was organized in October, 1905, we have been making steady gains. We have gained six new members and the interest in the union is greater than was known here. We held a silver medal contest, with a class of seven girls and one boy. It was a success in every way. We have arranged to hold a contest in each of our four churches. In this way we hope to interest the children of the Sunday Schools in the temperance cause. We are making a great effort to secure new members from each of the different churches. At each of our regular meetings we have a short program and invite those who are not members. We find that if we can once get the women interested it is no trouble to get them to become members. We are planning a full program for our next meeting and intend to invite the Brooklyn Union which has disbanded. Refreshments will be served. We are trying to get Brooklyn to reorganize or place their membership with us. We are only five miles distant, with the electric cars to go on, which will add to the pleasure of duty.

VIOLA R. HARVEY.

Colfax Avenue Union of South Bend gave a well attended "thimble" Wednesday afternoon, January 23, at the home of Mrs. Axtell. The program was in charge of Mrs. Wert, superintendent of mothers' meetings. The program was on "Obedience" and opened with an excellent paper by Mrs. Collins. Helpful talks were also given by Mrs. C. C. Beyrer, Mrs. Cissue and Mrs. Ireland and readings by Mesdames Welton and Axtell. Vocal and instrumental music and light refreshments added to the sociability of the occasion. The generous silver offering will be used as a fund for the L. T. L. About seventy-five ladies were present.

FIELD NEWS

The Anderson union met at the home of Mrs. W. W. Leib Wednesday afternoon. The county president, Mrs. Retta Jones, was present and spoke interestingly on the work of the W. C. T. U., after which followed the election of officers: President, Mrs. W. W. Leib, 1114 Jackson street; vice president, Mrs. A. H. Sears, 139 West Ninth street; secretary, Mrs. Mary McDaniel, 1642 Ohio avenue; treasurer, Mrs. McNamee, corner Twenty-third and East Lynne streets. After appointment of superintendents of departments light refreshments were served and a social time was enjoyed by all present.

The Covington W. C. T. U. secured the services of Mrs. Trego for January 17 and 18. On the first night she had a good crowd in the Christian church. Her lecture was well received by every one. On Friday afternoon she gave a talk to women, explaining the work of the W. C. T. U., which resulted in twelve ladies becoming members, besides two honoraries. On Friday night her illustrated lecture was fine. The house would have been crowded had it not been for a terrible rain, which flooded the streets. We want Mrs. Trego again.

The Indianapolis Frances Willard W. C. T. U. celebrated their eighth anniversary at the home of the president, Mrs. Frances Williams, 1334 North Illinois street. The following program was given: Mrs. Elizabeth Smith of the Central Union read an excellent paper. It was the summing up of the work completed during the year of 1906 and then she read the history of the union from the time of the organization up until the present day. Mrs. Hathaway gave a recitation and Mrs. Gray told of her early experience in a temper-

ance Sabbath School and her work at the Door of Hope. Misses Marie Wilson and Ruth Geyer gave recitations. The program was followed by a social hour.

Greentown Union held a meeting with Mrs. Kightlinger, who was soon to move away. The president was in the chair and eighteen members and five visitors present. A solemn devotional hour was enjoyed. "Non-Alcoholic Medication" was the subject in charge of Mrs. Emma Garber. Some very interesting facts were presented. The ladies had brought baskets of lunch and a sumptuous meal was served. Mrs. Kightlinger had served as president. Her loyalty, devotion and splendid ability were greatly appreciated by her comrades. As a token of their esteem, Mrs. Wooten, in well chosen words, presented a life-size picture of Miss Frances Willard to Mrs. Kightlinger, who accepted graciously and with feeling. Each person present was presented with a souvenir book mark.

Elkhart W. C. T. U. held a scientific meeting New Year's afternoon. At the close of the meeting a number of Goshen ladies, together with a company of white ribboners, led by Rev. H. N. Spear of the Baptist church and Dr. J. A. Work, went to the Elkhart Amusement Parlor, or Penny Arcade, and began an inspection of the pictures. Nearly all were of a degrading class, a scene from the French play, "Sappho," being one of the worst. After some effort on our part the mayor made his appearance. When he looked at the pictures he was thoroughly disgusted and put the manager to the test. At first the fellow put up a rather hard fight, but the mayor gave him the law and told him he must remove those pictures. As a result the manager promised to do so. While some of the pictures have been taken out, there are others that the W. C. T. U. are looking after.

The W. C. T. U. and L. T. L. of Keystone, Ind., met at the M. P. church Sunday afternoon, February 17, and held a meeting in memory of Frances E. Willard and Susan B. Anthony. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Sabrima Black, L. T. L. superintendent, and the devotional service was conducted by Sister Ella Seibert, pastor of the M. P. church, after which a well prepared literary and musical program was given by various members of the two local temperance organizations. At the close of this program Mrs. Morgan, who for many years has been a W. C. T. U. worker in Nebraska, gave an excellent address, which was very much appreciated by all present. There were present seventy-five members and fifty visitors. One new member was secured. The collection, which was \$1.26, will be given to the Frances E. Willard memorial fund.

MRS. O. E. HAGLER,

Press Supt.

The Lafayette W. C. T. U. held a memorial service for Frances E. Willard at the home of Mrs. C. C. Robinson at 2:30 p. m., Mrs. A. L. Green presiding. The exercises began by reciting the 23d Psalm, after which Mrs. J. E. Chamberlin offered prayer. A short program opened with a solo by Miss Anna Robinson. "The Flower of Temperance Chivalry—Frances E. Willard," was read by Mrs. H. H. Moore. Miss Lucille Brady gave instrumental numbers upon the piano. Miss Henrietta Meacham and two little loyal legioners, Lewis Keilin and Willard Greene, recited pleasing selections. Mrs. C. C. Robinson read our national president's letter, urging the observance of Miss Willard's memorial day. In this way we not only commemorate her grand life and noble work, but in reviewing it we gather inspiration for our own effort in the cause she so bravely championed. At these meetings the free-will offering is devoted to organizing new unions throughout the state and nation. Refreshments were served at the close of this pleasant and profitable meeting.

Two Days W. C. T. U. Institutes held annually in nearly every county in Indiana for a period of ten years, the work of the W. C. T. U. press reporters, the public meetings held by the local unions, the county conventions held every autumn combined with petition work.

Fountain City Union begins the year 1907 with new headquarters in the central part of town. Rooms have been fitted up for W. C. T. U. and L. T. L. meetings, and preparations are under way for a library and reading room. Much interest was taken in the suffrage petitions. We have here a regular little Knight of the Twentieth Century. Roswell Huff, an eleven-year-old boy, who secured the signatures of 84 men and 44 women to the petitions. Many new women came into our union last year and are making valuable members.

IN MEMORIAM.

Mr. Philetus Martin of Liberty died January 4, after a long and painful illness. He was a staunch friend and brother of the W. C. T. U. We need him and many more like him. His wife our dear Mrs. Ella E. Martin, is left to mourn his loss. May God bless and keep her.

Mrs. Emma S. Baker of the Argos Union died in the hospital at Indianapolis January 15. She had been a loyal, devoted member of this union for seven years and her cherry helpfulness will be missed indeed.

Lafayette Central Union is sorely bereaved in the death of Mrs. Souder, who went home Feb. 12. While health permitted she was an efficient, earnest worker.

She leaves a husband and two sons just merging into manhood. These have our heartfelt sympathy.

PRESS DEPARTMENT.

Dear Press Workers: Our national press superintendent urges constant and effective work upon the local superintendents, for in their hands lies much of our success or failure. She also urges regular meetings, many public and parlor meetings in the interest of the department this year. That is a splendid way to interest outsiders, and last, but by no means least, let the women keep account of all work done so that it can be reported at the end of the year.

I have a new supply of press leaflets and will gladly supply any who will ask for them. They will help you in your work, I am sure, so send me a card with your name and address and I will send leaflets at once. Time is precious, dear ones, and we must improve it if we succeed.

I am sorry that the county superintendents have not done as I asked them to in the January message, but it is not too late yet. If I can help you, please write me.

Yours for success,

LAURA CAMMACK.

Converse, Ind.

LORD'S DAY WEEK—APRIL 7-14, 1907.

Call to Prayer and Effort.

We gratefully acknowledge the place given to "Lord's Day Week" of recent years throughout Christendom. In issuing this call for a still more general use of Lord's Day Week in 1907, we recognize as causes for gratitude to God and sources of encouragement the following evidences of progress during the year 1906:

In the United States—The action of Congress in closing absolutely the gates of the Jamestown Exposition on the Lord's day.

The organization of several state Sabbath associations.

Sunday excursions have been altogether discontinued on Western railways covering 25,000 miles of road.

New Jersey has enacted a law which has closed the saloons on Sunday.

An extensive movement in very many of the states toward a more thorough enforcement of existing Sunday laws.

In Great Britain—Twenty thousand sermons were preached on an appointed Sunday at the request of the lay movement for Sunday observance.

Canada—The year in Canada has been marked by the passing of a national Lord's day act, which is probably the most thorough-going law on the statute books of any nation.

France—After more than a century of no Sunday law and experience of the holiday Sunday, the French Senate and Chamber of Deputies on July 5, 1906, passed a very thorough-going Sunday rest law at the request of the labor bodies, as did Spain two years ago and Belgium one year ago.

Argentina passed a law in 1906 similar to that of France. It is still more remarkable that ancient, conservative and heathen China has in the same year recognized by imperial edict, as Japan did thirty years ago, the Sabbath of Christian nations as a legal holiday.

Suggestions for the Observance of Lord's Day Week.

We would respectfully suggest (1) That pastors preach sermons on April 7th or 14th, pressing the claims of the Lord's Day on all Christian people, urging consistent conduct, persevering prayer, enthusiastic endeavor and generous giving in the interests of a better observance of the Lord's Day.

That prayer meetings, Young People's societies, Sunday Schools, Woman's Christian Temperance Unions and other church organizations devote a meeting to the subject.

That union platform meetings be held wherever it is possible to arouse public interest.

Let us work along educational, legislative and moral suasion lines for the preservation and better observance of the Lord's Day. These should be broad enough to unite all Christian churches and labor organizations. The Christian forces must either unite to defend or permanently lose the Lord's Day. We respectfully invite the press and pulpit everywhere to give circulation to these facts and suggestions and to co-operate for the subject humbly, prayerfully sought, namely, the preservation in all its sanctity of the "Pearl of Days, brightest jewel in the week's coronet."

Signed by the secretaries of the Sabbath Observance Association of the United States and Canada.

KATHRYN W. HOLLER,
State Supt.

Mrs. Retta Jones writes:

Feb. 6th I visited Chandler, held two meetings and organized a union with nine members. Mrs. Alice Hetzel was made president. Feb. 7th I held two meetings at Newburg and organized with ten members. President, Mrs. Mary Purdie. Feb. 8th, after two meetings held in Boonville, we organized with seven women. Their president is Mrs. George Trimble.

Every one was most kind to me and the ministers were unusually cordial, two of them calling upon us at our place of entertainment and a third

one making an earnest plea for organization when he thought the women did not give their names fast enough. They know so little of our work, although there have been unions there (in that county) long ago. I believe if a good worker were sent there for about two weeks much good could be accomplished, and no one need fear to go, for the people are hospitality itself.

Dear Sunday School Workers:

The quarterly temperance lessons of the International S. S. Lesson series are announced by the national superintendent in a printed circular which embodies also the temperance topic suggested by each lesson and program points.

Lesson 1 appears March 24. Title: "The Woes of Drunkenness." Golden Text: Isaiah 28:7-13. Temperance Topic: "The Scourge of Intemperance—How Overcome It?" The first temperance Sunday is so near to the birthday of Neal Dow (March 20) that it may well be made a "Neal Dow Day" in the Sunday School. The program points suggested are a character study of Hon. Neal Dow, the "Father of Prohibition." Prohibition facts stated and victories noted. The special literature provided by the national superintendent includes an outline program for superintendents, a responsive reading on "The Bible and Prohibition," a new blackboard illustrating the thought, "Character is ruined by Intemperance and Impurity," three new envelope leaflets, two gem leaflets, the regular quarterly temperance leaflets and two new four-page leaflets, "Character Sketch of Neal Dow" and Temperance Truth, illustrated (No. 1). The temperance song and recitations selected will be helpful.

The second quarterly temperance lesson, June 30, is entitled "Temperance Lesson." The Golden Text is found in Rom. 14:21. Lesson Text, I Cor. 10:23-33. The temperance topic announced is "Paul's Principle of Temperance." The law of liberty is the law of love. The second temperance Sunday is designated as "Anti-Cigarette Day" by our national superintendent of Anti-Narcotics, Mrs. Ingalls, and anti-tobacco pledge signing is recommended. It is also patriotic Sunday—the Sunday previous to the Fourth of July—and the program should include patriotic exercises. The Quarterly Budget will contain the regular publications of the department and new anti-cigarette literature and patriotic exercises.

The third quarterly Temperance appears August 11. Title: "The Sin of Nadab and Abihu." Golden Text: Prov. 20:1. The lesson text is found in Leviticus 10:1-11. This temperance Sunday will mark the completion of a Sunday School pledge-signing campaign, plans for which will appear in a printed circular sent out by the national superintendent. New literature for use in the canvass for pledge signers will be found in the department "Budget." The temperance topic of the day is: "Intemperance, the Great Destroyer—Pitfalls for the Youth." The program points include temperance illustrations from real life.

The fourth quarterly lesson is given for World's Temperance Sunday, which occurs this year on November 24. The lesson is given the title, "World's Temperance Sunday." Golden Text: Romans 14:13. Lesson Text: Romans 14:12-23. Temperance topic suggested: "Bible Principles which prove that Total Abstinence is a Christian Duty." World's Temperance Sunday is the annual temperance rally day for the Sunday Schools. It should be by a special temperance program in the Sunday Schools and by rallies, mass meetings, concerts, etc. Short addresses on "Christian Patriotism," "Civic Righteousness" and "Christian Citizenship" should be given and pledge-signing conducted. New literature and programs will be furnished for the work on World's Temperance Sunday. A new leaflet sent out by the national superintendent contains the following new and practical plans of our work: Organize a "Council," the members of which shall be the temperance secretaries and superintendents of the temperance departments of the various Sunday Schools. Hold quarterly meetings, inviting Sunday School teachers and officers. Let the program include a discussion of the quarterly lesson and a round table on Sunday School temperance work. Special help are provided for this new line of work. The national superintendent has inaugurated a plan for an honor roll of Sunday School workers. The name of each teacher and officer who signs the following "pledge of service" will be placed on the honor roll:

"God being my helper, I promise to promote the cause of temperance in all Sunday School work, especially in my own school."

The methods of carrying out this plan are set forth in a printed circular and pledge cards are provided.

On one Sunday of each year let great emphasis be given to Sabbath observance. Have a special program in the Sunday School and circulate literature to the end that the youth may have a greater reverence for God's holy day. Observe Peace Sunday in the Sunday Schools. This day is the third Sunday in December. Have exercises bearing upon this topic and circulate literature. The national superintendent will provide literature and all needed supplies. Hold a series of Sunday School medal contests and raise money

with which to carry on Sunday School temperance work. See the new circular on Sunday School medal contests. It outlines the plan definitely. The above and other suggestions and recommendations make the leaflet before mentioned indispensable to our workers. The best plan is to secure the "Quarterly Budget" (price 15c, or 50c a year), which contains all of the new materials as issued, together with sample literature needed for each quarter. The "Worker's Package" (35c) is an outfit calculated to help a new worker inaugurate the department work.

Now to the work! "Be strong in the Lord." No day ever dawned so full of hope and opportunity for the Sunday School temperance work as today.

STELLA B. IRVINE,

National Supt.,
Riverside, Cal.

LIDA A. OUTLAND, State Supt.,
Upland, Ind.

EVANGELISTIC DEPARTMENT.

Evangelistic Superintendents and Associate Evangelists:

Dear Co-Workers—My thoughts have gone out to you very often during the past months and I have wondered how you were prospering spiritually and how the work was going. My time has been so closely occupied since the convention with home cares that it has seemed next to impossible to find time for communicating with my friends and co-workers, but in no sense have I lost interest in either the work or the workers. Miss Greenwood's new leaflet did not reach me until the New Year was in, so I could not send it to you at an earlier date. I want every county and local superintendent to have a copy; also my associate evangelists.

I think we should work in harmony with the plans of our world's and national superintendent and I feel assured that no one will object to this. I have always been anxious for each union to arrange for evangelistic institutes, but so far this has seemed next to impossible, as it is hard to find a suitable opportunity on account of special services in the churches and the societies connected therewith, and most certainly we do not want to neglect these duties. I am gratified with the increasing interest the church and missionary societies are manifesting in the temperance work, and I am anxious that our evangelists and evangelistic superintendents may work in co-operation with all who are doing temperance work along any line. It will take the combined efforts of all workers to gain the victory that is sure to come if all unite their prayers and efforts. I earnestly solicit the co-operation of each county superintendent in seeing that all local superintendents are supplied with Miss Greenwood's latest leaflets. If any county superintendent fails to supply the local, if the local will send to me I will see that they have the needed help. I would appreciate any suggestions from my co-laborers that would advance the interests of our most important department.

With best wishes for the success of each worker and a prayer for your growth in grace, I am

Faithfully yours,

E. M. HAUGHTON.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP DEPARTMENT.

Revive the era of public meetings, utilizing home forces, the Christian jurist, minister, educator, journalist, business man and woman.

Have some specialist to address the people, advertising so thoroughly that all will know it and be induced to come.

All phases of law enforcement against gambling, polygamy, profanity, liquor selling contrary to law, the social evil, should be ours to further and reports of the same come through this department.

See that every pastor is asked to preach one sermon during the year, the same to be reported to me. Furnish each with the Department and Annual Leaflets.

Emphasize it to the pupils of our schools—they are the coming citizens. As they are educated so will our future government be. Then our Sunday School lessons impress those who come under this influence.

Reach every Chautauqua Assembly, G. A. R. Encampment, Old Settlers' gathering, Fourth of July celebration, by securing a place on the program and have some one present this department.

Send to me any suggestions or clippings, items of value or new points to be gained. Report blanks will be sent later.

Send to Ruby I. Gilbert, 915 Silversmith Building, Chicago, for all department literature.

Final reports to reach me September 25.

Yours for success,

GERTRUDE FULTON, State Supt.
422 E. Main street, Portland, Ind.

SCHEDULE FOR INSTITUTES, 1907.

Institutes to Be Held in Seven Sections of the State Nearly Simultaneously.

Institutes will be held on dates given in the following named counties:

Section 1—Leader, Mrs. Retta Jones, Alexandria, Ind.

March 14-15, Howard; 18-19, Miami; 21-22, Kosciusko; 25-26, Marshall; 28-29, Elkhart.

April 1-2, Lagrange; mid-year executive, 11-12, Steuben; 15-16, DeKalb; 18-19, Noble; 22-23, Whiteley.

Section 2—Leader, Mrs. Cammack Gibson, Jonesboro, Ind.

March 14-15, Wabash; 18-19, Huntington; 21-22, Allen; 25-26, Adams; 28-29, Wells.

April 1-2, Jay; (mid-year executive meeting at Marion); 11-12, Randolph; 15-16, Delaware; 18-19, Blackford.

Section 3—Leader, Miss Clara Sears, Anderson, Ind.

March 7-8, Hancock; 11-12, Johnson; 14-15, Shelby; 18-19, Rush.

April 11-12, Wayne; 15-16, Union; 18-19, Franklin; 22-23, Dearborn; 25-26, Ripley; 29-30, Jennings.

May 2-3, Jefferson.

Section 4—Leader, to be supplied.

March 14-15, Morgan; 18-19, Owen; 21-22, Greene; 25-26, Sullivan; 28-29, Knox.

April 1-2, Daviess; 4-5, Pike; 8-9, Gibson; 11-12, Posey; 15-16, Vanderburg; 18-19, Warrick; 22-23, Spencer; 25-26, Dubois.

Section 5—Leader, Mrs. Rose Pearce, Cayuga, Ind.

March 7-8, Vermillion; 11-12, Parke; 14-15, Vigo; 18-19, Clay; 28-29, Fountain.

April 1-2, Montgomery; 4-5, Boone; 8-9, Hamilton; 11-12, Clinton; 18-19, Warren; 22-23, Benton; 25-26, Newton; 29-30, Jasper.

May 2-3, Porter; 6-7, Laporte; 9-10, St. Joseph; 16-17, Martin; 20-21, Lawrence; 23-24, Washington; 27-28, Clark; 30-31, Floyd.

June 3-4, Monroe.

Section 6—Leader, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Hartsville, Ind.

Dates given by application to state superintendent—Bartholomew, Decatur, Marion, Grant, Madison.

Section 7—Leader, to be provided.

Dates given by application to state superintendent—Lake, Starke, Fulton, Pulaski, Carroll, Cass, Tipton, Putnam, Hendricks.

S. T. T.

Dear County Superintendents of Scientific Temperance:

I trust all of you have by this time received the circular letter of Mrs. Edith S. Davis, national superintendent of this department. Will you not read it carefully and follow its directions?

If you can do nothing more than get your teachers in the public school to subscribe for the "Crusader Monthly," which contains two pages on Scientific Temperance each month, you have done a great work.

MATTIE CAMMACK GIBSON.

Dear Comrades:

The first article of our plan of work adopted at our State Convention last October, says: "Our aim is to double our membership before September 15, 1907. This means that each old member must pay her dues and win one new member to our ranks. Our treasurer's books at the end of last quarter showed very little increase, although a large number of new women have been won to our ranks already this year. Will not local treasurers at the end of this quarter see that all old members pay their dues, and I am sure our treasurer's books will then show a very creditable gain. Many women forget when their dues are to be paid and need only to be reminded of it. Let us hold all we have gained and push ahead for the increase. Let every member set her heart on some one woman; loan her literature; take her to the meetings and talk W. C. T. U. until she dons the white ribbon. We can double our membership by September 15th, if we earnestly work to that end.

I have received many calls for "The Reform Laws of Indiana," but not as many as should be sent in. Every union in the State should have these leaflets. Price ten cents for twelve copies.

Mrs. Rebecca Trego has promised to remain in the State until the middle of April. Enough dates have been spoken for to keep her busy until July, so there will necessarily be many disappointments. No more dates can be arranged for now other than those already promised. It is my hope, however, to bring Mrs. Trego again to our State later in the year to fill dates that she can not fill now.

Mrs. Stanley is unavoidably kept from the field much to our regret and hers. We are hoping that the hindrances will soon be removed and that we may have her again in the field striking telling blows for our cause.

Mrs. Retta Jones took a flying trip to Warrick County early in February and organized three new unions at Boonville, Chandler and Newburg, respectively. We hope to organize the county ere long.

Miss Bertrude Spangler is rejoicing over a new "Y," organized at Henryville, Clark County. Occasionally a cry of discouragement comes to me

from some local union, but I have nothing to send back but notes of cheer. Look out on the broad field, sisters, and see the victories being won for our cause and the signs of other victories near at hand, and you must take fresh courage. Our cause is a winning one, although victory seems long delayed sometimes. We have only to hold together and press forward. Let us rise and sing "To the Work, to the Work, we are Servants of God."

Yours for advance,

MARY E. WOODWARD.

FIELD NEWS

The Boston W. C. T. U. was greatly blessed in securing Mrs. Trego for four lectures, January 30, 31 and February 1. The illustrated lecture on the last evening was especially effective. The auditorium of the M. E. church of Monroeville, where the meetings were held, was packed, many standing. The temperance people of Monroeville and vicinity were awakened to renewed zeal and the union is much encouraged. The collection amounted to \$32.64.

MARY CLAYTON.

Mrs. S. L. Oberholtzer, national superintendent of school savings banks, is sending out the first number of "Thrift Tidings," a bi-monthly little sheet for the benefit of state superintendents of the department and educators who are desirous to take up thrift teaching in the schools. The first number is devoted chiefly to figures of the late savings of various schools.

South Wabash Union, with good attendance, held the regular meeting with Pharibe Ridgeway February 13 in the nature of a memorial service, with a Frances Willard program, made intensely real by the "home-going" of our beloved local secretary and county treasurer, Annie Jones, on February 8. She was of that modest, sweet faith so rare, always at her post. While we so keenly feel our loss, it seemed not like death, but "life more abundant." Our tenderest sympathy goes out to her aged mother, another faithful member, whose sole companion in the home she was.

MARY E. KING.

Stinesville Union has held a series of six contests within a year. The following is the last program:

Remarks by Pres. Mrs. Katharyne Hoadley
Hymn by audience, "Rescue the Perishing."
Prayer Mrs. Beck
Duet, "Gently Lead Us"
. Mr. J. W. Terry, Mrs. Katharyne Hoadley
"The Assessor's Story" Mrs. Beck
Solo, "Every One You Meet Has Trouble"
. Little Eva Welch
Solo, "When I'm Big, Like Papa"
. Master Paul Hoadley
"The Crime of Crimes" Mrs. Lettie Walker
Duet, "A Mother's Prayer"
. Mrs. Deigle, Miss Buzzard
"A Curtain Lecture" Mrs. Lou Holtzman
"Is This a Christian Government?"
. Mrs. Seibenthal
Duet, "We Would Not Talk of Our Neighbors"
. Misses Muriel Miller and Leona Krebs.
"The Streets of Death" Mrs. Florence Litten
Solo, "Please Don't Put Me Off the Train"
. Olive Dunn
"Undressing Little Ned" Mrs. Addie Acuff
Solo, "A Drunkard I Never Meant to Be"
. Mrs. J. W. Terry
"A Father's Prayer" Mrs. Emma Edmondson
Recitation by Miss Jessie Spencer, while awaiting judges' decision. Subject, "Waking the Younguns."
Medal awarded to Miss Edmondson.
Distribution of favors.
Benediction by W. C. T. U.

ZULA EDWARDS.

Deputy "Kate Lee" W. C. T. U. held a mothers' meeting at the home of Mrs. Rebecca McClellan, with the following program:

Paper, "Which is the Greater Factor in Character Building—Hereditry or Environment?" Mrs. Anna Robertson
Recitation, "Some Mother's Child"
. Miss Anna Dixon
Paper, "Danger to Our Girls" Mrs. Emma Taff
Special Music—Solo Mrs. Della Dixon
Paper, "Responsibility of Mothers"
. Mrs. Brook McKeand
Recitation Little Miss Dorothy Robertson
Duet, Misses Rispa Robertson, Mary McClellan
After organizing a Cradle Roll and singing "Some Glad Day" by the Unions, a dainty lunch was served to all.

MRS. BROOK M'KEAND.

Montpelier, Hartford City and Roll W. C. T. U. workers heard from. A gold medal oratorical contest held at Montpelier Baptist church February 6th, directed by Mrs. Mabel Wearley, local superintendent of contest department, was largely attended. Five contestants, three from Montpelier and two from Hartford City. Miss Ruby Allen won the medal. Title of piece, "Two Pictures."

Thursday, February 7th, the W. C. T. U. ladies of Blackford county held an all-day meeting in the Methodist church at Montpelier and, despite the snow storm, cold and distances, the different unions were well represented, and brought sunshine and cheer in their faces, delicious lunches in their baskets and love and bravery in their loyal hearts. Our devoted county president, Mrs. S. M. Stahl, presided. After a season of prayer

letters were read from State President Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger. Several committees were appointed, among others the committee for the spring institute to be held at Roll. Mrs. Sarah Harold, chairman. Mrs. Bert Ritter of Hartford City was unanimously elected county superintendent of contest work, to take the place made vacant by the death of our beloved sister, Lillie B. Palmer, of Roll. The reports furnished by the many superintendents of different departments of the several unions were encouraging and showed progress and determination to press the battle to the gates. The program was interspersed with several prayers, showing Christian activity. Rev. C. H. Brown and wife of Montpelier were present and aided by their co-operation and blessings on our work.

MARY BOWERS DUNLAP,

Supt. Press.

The Madison W. C. T. U. held a silver medal contest January 28. Mrs. Rosalia Jamieson, superintendent medal contest department. The contestants spoke well. The medal was awarded to Miss Liland Tevis. A program is being prepared for the observance of Miss Willard memorial February 17.

Dana W. C. T. U. secured the services of Mrs. Trego of Ohio for January 14, 15 and 16. Her first lecture was Monday night and it contained many good thoughts. She held a mothers' meeting Tuesday afternoon, which was appreciated, also another lecture at night. On the last night she gave an illustrated lecture on "Darkest America." Her pictures were taken from real life and showed so much sorrow caused to humanity by the worst curse that can befall any nation. She charged no admission, but a free-will offering of more than \$18 was given her. The weather was so bad it prevented many from attending the meetings. The Dana Union held a memorial meeting of Francis E. Willard at the home of Mrs. Fillinger February 7. Several visitors and members were present and a profitable meeting was held. Devotional exercises were held and a book of Miss Willard's life, "An Uncrowned Queen," was reviewed. This union is gaining in numbers and it is its aim to make this the best year of its existence.

PEARL COOPER.

Elkhart Press meeting was well attended at the home of Mrs. H. Millard, the president. After the devotional service and a short business session the local press superintendent took charge of the program. The motto hymn of the W. C. T. U. was sung and the members responded to roll call with a press quotation, some of which we quote:

"The pen is mightier than the sword, and the newspaper is the vehicle through which the pen reaches the masses."

"Press work in the temperance reform is nothing more nor less than temperance evangelization by means of the printed page."

Frances Willard said, "Each year the press becomes a greater power, more generally discussed."

"No influence is at present so persuasive as that of printer's ink and whoever fails to rate the press at its true value has but grasped a fractional part of the problem of reform."

"It is easier to evade the spoken than the written word. The latter may confront you unawares in an idle or lonely hour, but what is printed in an obscure county paper may travel on a mission least dreamed of by the writer."

Enthusiastic letters were read from Mrs. Minnie Horning, national press superintendent, and Miss Laura Cammack, state press superintendent. The following extract is from a reading by Mrs. J. A. Grant on "The Press for Christian Temperance."

"Why should the devil have all the good times?" was the clear-cut question of good John Wesley. "Why should the devil have so much printers' ink?" was from the first a leading question among white ribbon women. There is not another line of work except that of gospel meetings which our women have taken up with so much alacrity, for they are quick-witted enough to see that there is not in the world another power where we can bring to a focus so much influence for the spread of temperance principles and temperance practice as the newspapers, because they go everywhere and are read by all people. The voice that speaks dies on the air almost before its echoes reach us, but the firm types and black ink hold through months and years. The newspapers that issue from the press in New York city may be read in Yokohama, Melbourne, St. Petersburg and in the islands of the sea. When you have got a thought into cold type it is there for "keeps." There is no magician in this age like the clear-headed, far-sighted man or woman who impresses the thoughts that he believes are winged with God's truth upon the printed page.

A paper prepared by Mrs. L. E. Hall on "The Influence of the Press" was short but to the point. In closing she expressed our gratitude to those friendly editors who have opened to us the use of their columns.

After singing Indiana's song Mrs. B. C. Rowley, director of the national L. T. L. Correspondence Training School, gave an excellent talk on "What the Press Means to the L. T. L."

During the social hour refreshments were served.

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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"WE NEVER CAN CREATE A PUBLIC SENTIMENT STRONG ENOUGH TO SUPPRESS THE DRAM-SHOPS UNTIL GOD'S PEOPLE TAKE HOLD OF THE TEMPERANCE REFORM AS A PART OF THEIR RELIGION."
—Theodore L. Cuyler.

WHAT WE LICENSE, WE PROTECT.

What we license, we protect; what we license, we wrap the flag of the country around and make it a legitimate branch of business, and in the legalized aspect of the traffic lies its power. What does God's Word say about it? What does it say about licensed wrong? If Isaiah had seen the license system of the United States as it is now, he could not have better expressed it than he has, "Woe unto him that justifieth the wicked for a reward." The license system takes the money from these men who are dealing out liquid death for a government revenue, and thus makes it a legitimate branch of business, and God says, "Woe." I find every phrase of the subject of this work in the Bible. God has wedded the Gospel and the temperance cause, and "what God hath joined together let no man put asunder." The first prohibitory liquor law ever passed was passed up in the Congress of Heaven, and it was not submitted to the people, it never had to be remodeled, and it never will be repealed, and then the awful iniquity of taking a revenue from the liquor traffic and putting it in the till of the government. "Woe to him that buildeth a town with blood and establisheth a city with iniquity."—Demorest Medal Contest Speaker.

I. RECENT VICTORIES.

(From the Associated Prohibition Press.)

1. **Gains in Prohibition Territory.**—America more than half free from the open saloon, 30,000,000 now under Prohibition law—large sections of Canada, England, Scotland, Norway, Sweden and Australia free—New Zealand already cast a majority vote for complete Prohibition. (1905) expects to reach the required three-fifths in favor of it in 1908.

2. **Prohibition is Proved Practicable for Large Cities.**—San Francisco's prohibition experience was the most widely noticed example of this. The police figures show that there was a total of 337 arrests in the city for the two prohibition months of May and June, 1906, as compared with 1,274 arrests for the two following months of high license (August and September, 1906.)

The Portland Oregonian, one of the leading daily newspapers of the Pacific Coast and strongly anti-prohibition editorially, in a big first page Frisco news story from its staff correspondent July 9, 1906, declared:

"It has proved beyond the slightest possibility of doubt that a large city like San Francisco can thrive without the liquor traffic."

Before this unexpected object lesson had been completed Kansas City, Kan., furnished a still more striking illustration of the new enforcement spirit. A bustling manufacturing city of 100,000, the metropolis of prohibition Kansas, it had never before honestly enforced the State law. Rising public sentiment ousted the law defying mayor and through Attorney Trickett permanently closed every one of the nearly 200 wide open joints, and results were immediately crystallized into increased prosperity for bankers and real estate agents and an almost complete suspension of crime and lawlessness.

These examples answer for all time to come the oft reiterated question, "Will prohibition work in the great cities?" But these two notable instances are only representatives of a long and growing list of similar cases, among them being Cambridge, Quincy, and a dozen other cities of Massachusetts; Colorado Springs, Colo.; Evanston, Ill.; Fargo and Grand Forks, N. Dak.; Topeka, Kan.; Portland, Me. (under Sheriffs Pearson and Dunn), and a large number of other municipalities.

Knoxville, Tenn., (60,000 population) voted for prohibition March 11th by 1,929 majority, the largest vote ever polled. Burlington, Vt., (20,000 population) voted prohibition March 5th, for the first time in its history.

3. **Awakening in Other Lands.**—Not only from all parts of America, but also from every kingdom of Europe and Asia, Australia, Africa and South America, comes the news of growing popular agitation and battle against legalized vice. The representative attendance and successful deliberations of at least two World Congresses of the alcoholic fighters within the last twelve months—one held in America, the other in Europe—have emphasized the fact that the reform has become a world movement for civic righteousness.

4. **Revolution in Attitude of Daily Press.**—In the first 60 days of 1907 at least forty leading daily newspapers of America gave large news or editorial space to friendly discussion of current prohibition progress. The Chicago Evening Post gives a full column every week to National prohibition news. The Chicago Record-Herald has frequent editorials strongly in favor of prohibition. The Georgian, Atlanta, and other daily papers have begun to "cut out" all their liquor advertisements.

5. The church is organizing to overthrow the liquor traffic. Sixteen leading denominations, whose aggregate membership is over 166,000,000 now have official Temperance Boards or Committees with energetic leaders. These denominational Temperance Boards at Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 30-31, organized a National Inter-Church Temperance Federation for united forward movement against the drink curse.

6. Prohibitionists last November (1906) either on the straight party ticket or in conjunction with others, elected twenty-three members of ten legislatures and in two whole States and one hundred legislative districts of twelve States polled a vote exceeding the quota required for a million votes for a Prohibition President in 1908. The Prohibition party now has over 2,500 active workers who give all or a part of their time to the cause and used more than \$200,000 last year in spreading the agitation in all parts of the country.

II. THE SIZE OF THE PROHIBITION REFORM.

1. National Drink Bill (direct) 1906, \$1,500,000,000.

2. Invested in Liquor Traffic (1906) \$415,000,000.

3. Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages grown from 296,876,931 gallons and 7.70 gals. per capita in the year 1870—to 1,694,392,765 gallons and 20.37 gallons per capita in 1905.

4. There are 240,000 saloons legalized by law, in 42 States.

5. At least 75 per cent. of the crime, ninety per cent. of the murders, three-fourths of the divorces, can be traced to the saloon door.

6. Only five per cent. (or about 400,000) of the 8,000,000 young men in America are in the church, while at a low estimate over 2,000,000 are regular patrons of the saloon. Which stands the better chance to get the remainder?

7. The liquor traffic has a permanent lobby at Washington and at every State Legislature, and during the last sixty days out of 500 temperance bills introduced in the various State Assemblies at the demand of the decent citizenship, less than one per cent. of the really important measures were passed, owing to the wide awake defense of the liquor forces. Of State prohibition and local option bills introduced in twenty-five states only in two or three instances were the temperance people victorious, yet the vast majority of the people in most of those States were believed to favor such legislation.

8. The nation now gets \$195,000,000 annually from the liquor blood-money profits, and Congress constantly refuses to pass the Hepburn-Littlefield bill to protect all Prohibition territory from invasion by brewers and liquor agents under cover of present inter-state commerce regulations.

9. The astute leaders of the liquor business are now everywhere attempting to stem the tide of the prohibition reform by securing the support of temperance leaders to so-called high-license legislation on the pretense of swelling "road" or "school" or "police funds," but in reality to so solidly establish the business in the economic systems of municipal and State governments as a permanent source of "income" that nothing could avail against the legalized pestilence.

III. THE TOTAL ABSTINENCE BASIS FOR A SUCCESSFUL LIFE.

1. Today the business world, the insurance world, the fraternal world, the scientific world and the professional and artistic world are coming to realize as never before that (1) total abstinence is a fundamental requirement for success, and are in principle and practice adopting the notable declaration made famous by the White-Ribboner: "Temperance is the total abstinence from the use of all things hurtful, and moderation in the use of all things helpful."

2. The railroads, nearly 200,000 miles of them, are now operated by men of whom abstinence is strictly demanded, the tendency being strongly in the direction of the "on duty or off duty requirement."

3. The industrial world is becoming just as vigilant. One of the most significant of these cases has been the campaign for local prohibition.

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JUDGE SAMUEL R. ARTMAN,
Lebanon, Indiana.

Who rendered the remarkable decision the License of the Liquor Saloon Unconstitutional.

This decision is attracting the attention of jurists and representatives of all classes of society in the whole country. The decision was the result of a conviction of some of our foremost prohibition men regarding the subject. They insisted and argued the unconstitutionality of license. Through the direct efforts of the Hon. Charles E. Newlin, a number of business men of all political parties became interested and a conference was held Nov. 23, 1906, in Indianapolis. The result of this conference was the appointment of a committee to secure a test case and follow it through the courts. A test case in Indianapolis was decided upon against an applicant for license at the January term of the Commissioners Court. The firm of Doan & Orbison was employed and a remonstrance filed in the names of Schuyler Young and Wm. J. Trefz, voters of the tenth ward. The Commissioners overruled the remonstrance and granted the license. An appeal was taken to the Circuit Court. A change of venue was taken from Marion County to Boone County. Judge Samuel R. Artman of the Boone County Circuit Court, set January 25th to hear argument on the case. Hon. Wilson S. Doan and Charles J. Orbison of Indianapolis, each spoke about half an hour in presenting the case for the remonstrators. Hon. W. S. Doan made a powerful and convincing speech, setting forth the unconstitutionality of license on account of the character of the business to be licensed. The applicant was represented by John W. Kealing, holding that license was a restriction under the police power of the State and that the character of the business was a matter for legislative discrimination and not a judicial matter. The case for the remonstrators was ably summed up by the Hon. Sumner W. Haynes of Portland, Ind., and A. B. Kirkpatrick of Kokomo, Indiana. Hon. E. C. Newlin says:

Judge Artman took the case under advisement and stated that he would give the most careful study of the briefs filed by both sides, and would hand down his decision on February 13th. When Judge Artman took the bench at 9:30 on the morning of February 13th, every seat in the large courtroom was taken and many were standing. Almost the entire bar of Boone County honored their Judge by their presence and many attorneys from other cities were present, as well as many visitors from Indianapolis, Lafayette, and other points. For more than an hour the large audience hung breathlessly on every word of Judge Artman, as he spoke the momentous words that for the first time officially declared license of the saloon unconstitutional. At the close of the reading the entire audience broke into applause which culminated in the audience arising and giving hearty cheers until called to order by the vigorous rapping of Judge Artman. After the preliminary motions looking toward an appeal of the case to the Supreme Court of Indiana, the audience came forward and heartily congratulated Judge Artman for his great decision.

Seymour W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Donaldson, February 27th. Devotions, Mrs. Keller; Business; Quotations from Miss Willard; Music; Personal Reminiscences by Mrs. M. C. Carpenter; Selections from Miss Willard by Mrs. Enos; Reading Gov. Hoch's prohibition address by Mrs. Carpenter; Piano, Mrs. Pfaffenberger. A large attendance. A delightful social half hour with dainty luncheon followed the business session.

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Congress has adjourned after defeating laying on the table or postponing practically every important temperance and reform measure before it for consideration. The transporting of alcoholic liquors into prohibition territory now carried on under the interstate commerce law. Prohibition in District of Columbia. Anti-child labor. The protest against the seating of Reed Smoot, the Mormon Senator elect from Utah. This was in accordance with the dictates of the Republican leaders in order to hold the Mormon States, Utah, Idaho and Nevada, for the Republican party and was pleasing to President Roosevelt. Our Indiana men, Vice-President Fairbanks and Senator Beveridge were factors in his retention. If the women of Indiana had the ballot these two Indiana men would hardly be given the high privilege of representing them. All honor to our Senator Hemenway who voted to unseat Smoot.

Woman Suffrage received much greater consideration in the Indiana Legislature than could have been realized four years ago. The measure was defeated in the State Senate by a majority of two votes. We will have the victory before another decade. Then too we have faith to believe that by that time we will have constitutional prohibition for Indiana.

Literary Club Program Committees are now beginning on the program for another year. Suggest to them some of the following subjects: Francis E. Willard; The Nations' Drink Bill; The Nation's Tobacco Bill; Motherhood, the Crowning Glory of Woman. Debate, "Resolved that hereditary is a more potent factor in the development of character than environment." The Observance of the Sabbath Day in Christian and Heathen Countries. Immigration Laws—Ellis Island. One million immigrants annually; How shall we reach them with Christianity? Patent and Proprietary Medicines. Indiana laws concerning women and children working in factories at night. Child-labor.

Let Nothing but the absolute impossibility prevent the members from attending the Mid-Year Executive Meeting at Marion, April 2-3, in the Methodist Church, beginning at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Diamond medal contest that evening to which all persons interested from adjacent towns and vicinity are invited. If you desire to interest

in temperance a member of your family or a friend, especially among the boys or girls, invite them and pay their expenses to this contest. A few dollars spent each year in bringing loved ones into contact with prohibition workers and prohibition work, will mean more to your own peace of mind after awhile than compound interest on the little money thus invested. The enthusiasm of a great diamond medal contest is inspiring and will do much toward allaying prejudice in older minds and in creating respectful consideration and interest among the young people. Attend this diamond medal contest yourself and bring some one with you. No person young or old is interested in anything not informed upon. Our duty is to spread information either by our own efforts or through the ability and instruction by some other means.

Clean Bill Boards—For the sake of the impressionable minds of the children see that all objectionable pictures are removed from the bill boards.

The Saloon business is not benefitted by the town pump and the public drinking fountain, but the people enjoy them. In the towns and cities business men will co-operate in restoring the old wells and in putting up the drinking fountains. In order to secure their co-operation present the subject to one or two more organizations of women—then write articles concerning it to the papers, thus creating an interest and the wells and public drinking fountains will be a reality. There are firms that make very nice iron drinking fountains. It would be practical for our unions, in some places, to raise the money and place a drinking fountain in some good location where it would serve as a blessing to thirsty beasts many months in the year. In several States the W. C. T. U. has done this, thus keeping its name in a helpful, suggestive manner before the people. In some of our temperance papers the Mott Iron Works, of 120 Fifth Ave., New York City, advertise drinking fountains. They say special prices will be given to all temperance organizations. Write to them for catalogue. Now would be a good time to secure the money and put in a fountain.

Press Reporters your work is lasting. It is more far reaching in its effect than the spoken word. Be persistent, tactful and energetic.

Observe Lord's Day Week April 7th to 14th—For Christ's sake. For the sake of this generation and especially for the sake of the coming generations.

Spring Institutes are now in session. Everywhere that circumstances will permit a life size framed picture of Miss Willard should be presented to the church in which the Institute is held or to the High School. Pictures of Miss Willard can be secured of Misses Gilbert & Austin, 137 Wabash Ave., Chicago. Send to them for prices, etc.

Flower Mission—Those interested in the blessedness of the mission of flowers to the sick and distressed should now place flower beds, plant bulbs, seeds or cuttings for this purpose. Children will get very helpful lessons from the care and culture of "Flower Mission" flower beds.

Mothers! The children entrusted to your care and training will grow up with just about such characters as you have worked for. Not what you want them to be perhaps, but what you trained them to be.

Mothers! Your children when grown will be largely what you trained them to be. If you explain the Scriptures to them when they are too young to read, they will become interested in the characters and if you continue to read and talk and teach concerning Holy things the children will become imbued with love and admiration for Christ that will do more toward forming real character than will be easily estimated. Reverence for Holy things, reverence for motherhood and concept of the great plan of salvation is best taught while the little people are in closest communication with their mothers. Hours spent daily for outward appearances for the little accomplishments that are for time only should never be allowed to break in upon the time dedicated by mothers toward definite effort for the salvation of the children. Oh that the modern life might have more time for God living, for meditation and for definite character training in the home. Mothers that are physically tired are not in the best condition to be winsome, patient and loving trainers of children.

Prize Temperance Essays. Now is the time to offer prizes in gold for the best essays in High Schools and the grades. Subjects to be selected by the W. C. T. U. For detail information concerning such contests and prizes write to the editor of The Messenger, Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College Avenue.

Temperance Rally Days in our Sunday Schools should be planned for months in advance. One a quarter could be made a great success by the earnest co-operation of our workers and the Sunday School authorities. Gospel temperance meetings were a great educational feature in many places. These are largely discontinued.

Now let us have Sunday School Temperance Rally Days.

CALL FOR MID YEAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

The Executive Committee of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana, will meet in Marion, April 2d and 3d, 1907. The first session will be held at two p. m., on Tuesday, April 2d. The Executive Committee is composed of the State Trustees, Secretaries of Y. & L. T. L. branches, editor of State Paper, President and Secretary of Board of Superintendents, and the President of each County Union. The members of the Executive Committee will be entertained for supper, lodging and breakfast by the Marion ladies, and a good noon lunch can be procured at the restaurants for twenty cents. I trust every member will be present.

CULLA J. VAYHINGER, President.

IMPORTANT.

My Dear Sisters:

I have received many letters concerning the letters sent to you by the Green-Wheeler Shoe Company of Fort Dodge, Iowa. In reply I desire to say that the State refused at its convention to endorse the enterprise and have never rescinded that action. I shall validate no stamps unless authorized by the women to do so. The National refused to have anything to do with the enterprise, but of course it nor the State legislates for the Local Union. I hope you will just lay these letters aside and pay no attention to them until after the Mid Year meeting. I do not know how they came in possession of our Annual Report, to secure the names of so many women of the State.

Yours, CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

IN HONOR OF FRANCES E. WILLARD.

The W. C. T. U. of Goshen royally entertained twelve ladies of the Elkhart union and many friends at an all day indoor picnic yesterday, held in honor of Frances E. Willard's birthday, at the home of Justice S. S. Whisler, 513 South Fifth Street, that city. At 9:30 o'clock Mrs. M. E. McCaskey, president of Goshen union, standing in the archway above which "Old Glory" was tastily looped, called the meeting to order and all joined in singing "Christ for the World We Sing." Mrs. H. B. Millard, president of Elkhart union, conducted the devotional exercises. A solo was sweetly sung by Miss Hilda Hammond. The principal address of the morning was delivered by Rev. Pugsley, an evangelist from Toronto, Canada. Every word that he spoke thrilled and enthused his temperance hearers. Rev. Fradenberg, pastor of the Baptist church, gave a fine address on "The Needs of the Sabbath." Mrs. Cunningham gave an interesting account of her visit to "Willard Hall" and "Willard Rest Cottage." Mrs. Pittinger a paper on "Parents Duty to Children."

Mrs. Bechtel read an excellent paper on "What Have the Church and the W. C. T. U. in Common?" In part, she said, "I cannot begin to tell unless I say everything. Here are a few: The same commission, the same leader, the same opportunity, the same equipments, consecrated workers, the same cause, the same enemy, the same souls to save. I want to put emphasis upon souls to save, and I wish I could burn the thought into minds and hearts, that souls saved in time need not later be saved from the wreck and ruin of a misspent life of debauchery and vice."

"Why I Belong to the W. C. T. U.," was a subject in which every member participated and as a result many witty and interesting talks were given. After a recitation by Miss Grace Hammond the noontide prayer was offered. A sumptuous dinner was served and a joyful time spent socially. Several school teachers, clerks and others came at this time to exchange greetings.

The afternoon program consisted of solos by Miss Hilda Hammond and Miss Vinnie Nickum, recitations by Miss Ruth Rhodes and Mrs. Young, and a reading, "My Last Glass," was delivered in a charming manner by Mrs. Hammond. Rev. Hewitt spoke on "Ideas from Practical Work in Our Community." With a large, beautiful picture of Frances E. Willard before him, Rev. Wood told of her life, character and work. Rev. Mathews, pastor of the Reform church, spoke on "Reform Work." He treated the outer or human reformation from the standpoint of society and the inner or divine reformation from the standpoint of the individual.

The Elkhart ladies with others enjoyed the delightful, instructive program, and some remained to attend the revival service at the Baptist church, conducted by Evangelist Pugsley.—A Goshen Daily.

AARONIC BENEDICTION.

"The Lord bless thee and keep thee;
The Lord make His face shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee;
The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace."

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RECENT VICTORIES.

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bition protection for their industries, carried on by the leading manufacturers of Indiana. A remarkable interview in the Indianapolis News with G. E. Fredericks, secretary of the Kokomo, Indiana, Steel and Iron Company, was published Nov. 24, 1906, in which Mr. Fredericks declared that the saloons near their factory cost their company \$75,000 a year, "if not more." "Let us have a law," he declared, "prohibiting under the severest penalties a saloon in the factory districts." And as representative of hundreds of other towns everywhere, the News correspondent concludes with this statement:

"Kokomo has thirty saloons that pay about \$7,500 into the city treasury annually. The manufacturing interests of Kokomo are damaged more than \$75,000 every year by the saloon interests. 'There you have it in a nut shell.'"

4. George Bernard Shaw, the famous English author and dramatist thus epitomizes his experience for the last quarter of a century, and expresses the growing conviction in the world of thought and literature:

"I have not failed to observe that all the drugs from tea to morphia and all the drams from lager beer to brandy, dull the edge of self-criticism and make a man content with something less than the best work of which he is soberly capable. He thinks his work better, when he is really only more easily satisfied with himself."

V. PRACTICAL WAYS OF FIGHTING THE SALOON.

1. **Agitation**—(1) Circulation of latest prohibition facts and literature; (2) Public rallies; (3) Personal work; (4) Prohibition bill-boards; (5) Letter-writing to the daily and weekly press, replies to erroneous editorials, etc.; (6) A movement against liquor advertising in street cars, press and magazines.

2. **Constructive**—(1) Prohibition legislation, in City, State and Nation; (2) Voting right; (3) Pledge-signing work in Sunday Schools and day schools, and in shops and factories; (4) Social settlements; (5) Rescue homes; (6) Coffee houses; (7) Establishment of drinking fountains for man and beast, not in front of saloons; (8) Organizing the young people; (9) Study classes for the reform; (10) Financial and personal support of approved movements now fighting the liquor traffic.

THE EPITOME OF THE GREAT REFORM

Dr. T. Dewitt Talmadge epitomized the whole battle in which we are engaged in this significant and ringing paragraph, which might well be committed to memory by every worker for God who is enlisted in the great struggle for freedom from legalized rum:

"American slavery was a pet lamb as compared with this red dragon. All the families which have been robbed of fathers and brothers and sons by the rum traffic; all the States of the Union that have been despoiled of their mightiest men; all the churches of Jesus Christ which find the chief obstacle to the advancement of religion in the appetite for strong drinks and all the intelligence and all the patriotism, and all the enthusiasm of the land will yet pack itself into an avalanche that will come crushing down upon this, the worst evil that ever afflicted a nation. There may be many defeats before we get the final victory, but victory will come as surely as there is a God in Heaven."

IV. CAN WE ABOLISH THE SALOON—WHEN? HOW? WHAT THEN?

1. **When?** At once, so far as our own responsibility goes, provided that from this hour forth, we consecrate our voice and purse and vote to the cause of the home vs. the legalized drink curse, and remember that, until the battle is won, the issue faces us squarely at every election, and at every point where we meet friend or business or religion or politics on the highway of life.

In the larger aspect, we shall abolish the saloon whenever we can spread the facts of its economic devastation, its moral pestilence, and its political menace in vivid and thought-arresting fashion before all the people, and then focus the power of the church and organized decency at the saloon's weakest point, its colossal robbery of the poor, its spoliation of youth, its merciless destruction of home and wife-hood and motherhood.

2. **How?** By loyalty to principle, by refusing to compromise with license champions or license parties, by hearty co-operation in every move for the outlawry of the saloon, and by keeping in active and constant touch with the battle-line, ready to aid by every sacrifice the occasion may demand.

By realizing that the prohibition reform is the great heroic movement of this age, and its progress and triumph will appear the providential solvent of sectionalism, sectarianism, racialism, materialism, and all the other isms which have retarded the forward march of our American civilization.

3. **What then?** Then will come the long-sought answer to the reformer's puzzling query, "What can be a substitute for the saloon?"

And the answer will be (1) the home, redeemed and glorified, as a fit shrine for the nurture and inspiration of childhood and manhood.

(4) The church, with all doors open seven days in the week, the club-house of the masses.

(5) The City Hall and State House, purified of its ghastly alliance with organized vice, the temple of Christian citizenship, where patriots rule in place of the saloon boss and the spoilsman.

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State Executive Committee meeting, April 2d and 3d at Marion, Indiana.

TUESDAY, APRIL 2.

2:30 until 5:00 p. m.—Executive session.

7:00 until 8:00 p. m.—Executive session.

8:00 p. m.—Diamond medal contest.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3.

9:00 a. m.—Executive session wherein the following subjects will be discussed in open parliament. The public invited:

"Final Yearly Reports."

"Making a State Directory."

"Hadley Industrial School."

"Loyal Temperance Legion—Leaders, their call and equipment."

"Increased Membership by an Awakened Conscience."

1:30—"Home Mission Work and Temperance,".....Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger,

"The Gates Legislative Victories,"

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley

"Some Reasons Why we Should Oppose High License,"

Mrs. Mary E. Woodward



Hon. Zack Stanley and his devoted wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, our beloved State Lecturer.

MRS. STANLEY AT HOME.

Dear Sisters—I must tell you of my great disappointment in not being able to be with you these lovely days. My house-keeper was called away by the illness of a friend on Dec. 17th. Since that time I have searched in vain for some one to take her place. I have advertised in city papers—have written fully fifty letters and enlisted my friends all over the State to search for a good, reliable woman, who would accept a permanent place in my home and until this is done I can not give a day to field work. I heard of one woman in Virginia and another in Brazil, but am not sure either can come before the Mid Year Executive Committee meeting. If anyone who reads this appeal can help me solve this problem, wire me at my expense—or write me particulars. Prefer a middle aged woman. I wrote many letters daily during the session of the General Assembly. My own "Mis-Representative" voted against the equal suffrage bill. I don't know why he ignored the long letter I wrote him. As yet I have received no reply. Miss Woodward will send me to the northern counties already arranged for as soon as the problem of help can be solved. Hoping to see all members of the Executive Committee at Marion, I am Cordially, ELIZABETH T. STANLEY.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

It is said "there is a million Sabbath slaves who, for seven unbroken days, are compelled to attend machinery or fires, or drive engines, or run cars, or sell papers or distribute mail, because ten million people are too selfish to forego Sunday conveniences." It is well for every member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union to ask herself the question, "Am I one of these selfish ones?" It is a law without ex-

ception that no man is better than the thing to which he consents. When we acquiesce in any evil we give our consent to that evil. Sabbath desecration has become an appalling evil. The Sabbath observance department of the W. C. T. U. was created because of the close connection between the liquor traffic and Sabbath desecration. The traffic has made common cause with the demons of lust, greed, appetite and pleasure. So with the Sunday saloon we have the Sunday trains, Sunday stores, Sunday newspapers, Sunday games, Sunday theaters and Sunday work.

Can we be silent to these evils and not sin? Great responsibility rests upon us as an organization and as individuals. There is a wide difference whether these evils go on with our protest or without any protest on our part. If our protests are not always heeded, and some officials fail to do their sworn duty, we must remember that courage and determination are needed to overcome difficulties. We can not be loyal to our pledge for God and home and native land unless we do all in our power to preserve for our homes and our land the blessing of a Christian Sabbath. Its foes are numerous, determined and aggressive. Let us be equally determined, as vigilant and courageous. If we do fail in some instances, we must not be discouraged. Let every union in Ohio begin now, to-day, to plan for Lord's Day week. So arrange all other duties that we may spend this week—April 7th-14th—in one united effort in work and supplication to God for help to overcome the influences which now threaten to destroy this blessed heritage, the safeguard of religion and morality. Ask the labor unions to unite. The working men appreciate their need of the Sabbath. Ask pastors of every church to preach sermons, the prayer meetings, the missionary societies, Christian Endeavorers, Epworth Leagues to unite or to give one service to the importance of Sabbath keeping. Hold at least one public meeting, with good speakers to give the physical, economical and spiritual reasons for proper observance of the Sabbath. Get the Loyal Temperance Legions interested; circulate literature, pledge cards and talk with your friends. With this united effort of earnest work and prayer may we not claim the promise, if we agree as touching anything that we shall ask it shall be done for us. The Lord is not slack concerning His promises. His commandments are not grievous, and in keeping them there is great reward. May the Lord pour out his spirit upon us all, is the prayer of your superintendent.

MARY D. OGLE.

—Ohio Messenger.

Knoxville, Tenn., March 12th... (By Associated Prohibition Press.)—After one of the most remarkable campaigns ever known, this city of 60,000 yesterday rejected the saloon, silenced the strenuous liquor advocates of high license and by a majority of 1929, in the largest vote ever cast in this city, decided to re-incorporate as a Prohibition municipality under the provisions of the Adams law.

Election day opened with a monster parade early in the morning in which 10,000 women, children and men, carrying flags and banners and singing temperance songs participated.

The fight was made squarely on the "wet" and "dry" proposition, and 6420 voters declared for abolishing the charter. This majority of 1929 was entirely unexpected, even by the temperance forces. The parade was the most pathetic ever witnessed here. Feeble old men and women and tiny children marched two abreast. The line was two miles long, and the parade was forty-five minutes passing a given point.

The scenes at the polls were even more spectacular. Two-thirds of the 60,000 population, with several thousand of visitors appeared. Church bells tolled every hour. Lunch was served. Men, women and children sang and prayed and pleaded with the voters.

Only two wards gave "wet" majorities. Many arrests for boozing were made.

Bristol, Tenn., by a vote averaging nearly 32 to 1 declared for Prohibition, March 9th. Bristol, Va., just across the State line, votes on April 22.

The Prohibition tide seems to be sweeping the whole State and other victories are expected in the next few weeks.

Figures from the report of the State Factory Inspector, Mr. D. H. McAbee: "Last year 33,265 women and girls earned their living in the factories, laundries, department stores and printing offices in Indiana. The number of men who worked in the factories, stores, etc., was 175,294. During the fiscal year 208,597 persons were employed in the industries of the State, being an increase of 18,131 over the previous year. 'These figures,' said the inspector, 'tell a story of prosperity and the fact is the half has not been told. In the industries of the State last year many more employees could have been used had it been possible to get them.' The inspector's report shows that of the 33,265 women employed during the year, 1,850 were under 16 years of age. Of the men employed 3,580 were under 16."

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AMERICA'S LEADING LIQUOR ORGAN OUT FOR HIGH LICENSE.

The Indianapolis News editorially denounces the out going Legislature in its issue of March 4:

"We have contended for years that the saloon as it is conducted at the present time is out of standard of the average saloon is eternally at war with the moral standard of the average citizen—and we made it when it hurt us with the trade to say such things—that the saloon must be changed and radically changed or the saloon will be voted out of existence by every community save business and tenderloin precincts in our larger cities. . . . People do not object to wine, beer or whisky, but they do object to drunkenness, and they do object to the violation of law, and we do not hesitate to say the very large majority of the men connected with our trade object to these things as earnestly as the most enthusiastic advocate of Prohibition principles."

"The license should be a contract between the retail dealer, the State and the community in which he does business, and conviction of violation of the law should cancel the license and prohibit the man from ever securing another license. It is urged that only one license be issued for every 500 population, and that the license fee should be between \$500 and \$1,000. . . . 'If,' Bonfort's Wine and Spirit Circular says, 'the retail liquor business continues as at present, we firmly believe that during the next few years the sale of alcoholic beverages will be outlawed in more than half our States.'"

After this the News concludes trenchantly: "It is of course clear enough by this time that a majority of the present Legislature were before the election pledged against all legislation for the promotion of temperance. The legislature has been hostile to any effort, however conservative, toward better control of the liquor traffic."

"Of course this can mean only one thing, and that is that the liquor men succeeded in electing a majority on which they could rely. Promises were demanded and given of which the public knew nothing, though there was a suspicion that things were not all right."

"Men who were elected to serve the people had beforehand bound themselves hand and foot to the liquor interests."

"The Taggarts, Bells, Liebers and Crawford Fairbankses knew what they were about. They got their men and they held on to them. There is no party politics with the liquor interests."

"It seems to us that it is none too soon for the people of Indiana to begin the campaign for the election of the next Legislature. They have been sold and betrayed this time. They will suffer the same fate two years hence unless they choose as legislators men who will represent them rather than the liquor interests."

"They will not be able to get such men unless they begin work at an early day."

"As for the liquor men themselves, we can only say that their stupidity and recklessness are amazing. Apparently they have no idea of what is going on all over the country."

FIELD NEWS

PRIVATE LETTER TO THE EDITOR.

629 West Granite Street,

BUTTE, MONTANA, March 12, 1907.

Dear Sister—Butte, as you may know, is the largest mining camp in the world, consequently there is great need of Christian temperance work here. Our Union is not large, but we are planning to have a place for headquarters and a mission room. To do this we need money and have decided to hold a U. S. Fair about the middle of April. This means for us to write to one or two Unions in each State, asking them to contribute something for their State. We ask your Union to give something for your State. Anything salable, however small, will be gladly received. We wish to have every State represented.

Yours in W. C. T. U. work,

MRS. A. A. McMILLAN.

Seymour W. C. T. U. held their quarterly mothers' meeting January 23d, at the home of Mrs. Aura Smith. A good attendance and excellent program. Papers giving help and pleasure to all. Musical features were especially enjoyable. Miss Nellie Crane and Carol, Helen and Master Aura Smith were responsible. Mrs. Aura Smith is a charming hostess and this was one of the most helpful of the always popular mothers' meetings.

LaFayette Central Union held a Frances Willard memorial service at the first Baptist Church chapel Sunday, February 7th, and the impressive exercises were witnessed by a large assemblage of people. Mrs. Thomas L. Webb presided. Mrs. Jennie Conn, president of the union, read the life of Frances Willard and addresses were made by Rev. O. B. Rippetoe, Rev. O. R. McKay and Rev. E. G. Lewis. Solos were rendered by J. T. Gunn and Miss Vera Winn and together they sang a duet. Miss Emily Wilgus acted as accompanist.

Campbellsburg W. C. T. U. was very fortunate

in securing Mrs. Trego for four lectures, March 3d, 4th and 5th. The illustrated lecture on the last night was unequalled, the pictures were all that was good and elevating. Large crowds were in attendance, especially on the last night. Not only was our Union benefited, but the entire audience was swayed by her earnestness and her gentle, sweet pleading manner and talks. Several new members were taken in to the ranks. We all learned to love Mrs. Trego, and praise God for the new interest she has caused to be awakened in our midst. The proceeds netted \$17.50.

MRS. EVA O. CHAMBERLAIN, Press Supt.

Brookville—The W. C. T. U. observed Frances Willard Day at the home of Mrs. A. O. Dare. Opening song, "My Faith Looks up to Thee," followed by the reading of the Crusade Psalm, the 147th. Sunshine powders were passed, each taking one, which caused a hearty laugh. Next the president stated that the meeting was to commemorate the memorial of Frances E. Willard. The biography of F. E. Willard was read. Then the question, "How may we be benefited by studying the life of Frances E. Willard; also her influence upon the young." Next why should a Christian be a W. C. T. U. member? "The Law of Habit," followed by "A New Era in Temperance;" then "The Coming Brotherhood." Last but not least, "How the Memorial Fund was Used to Organize New Unions." Song, "All Around the World," repeating in concert the Lord's Prayer. Four new members were added for the month of February. The regular meeting was held in the home of Mrs. W. E. Smith. Song, "Some Glad Day." Devotional. Scripture reading and sentence prayer. Lesson subject, "Anti-Narcotics." Leader Mrs. Geo. Vanarsdall. MRS. MARY D. SCOTT, Press Reporter.

The Boswell W. C. T. U. has not been heard from for some time through the Message, but we are still very much alive. We have a membership of 34, including honoraries. We have twelve department superintendents, most of whom are doing good work. We only meet once a month, but have good, interesting meetings, and a new member is occasionally added to our list. At our October meeting with Mrs. Ida Samuel, our delegate Mrs. E. A. Smith, gave us a most excellent report of the Portland convention, which with special music by Mesdames Samuel and Wright. Refreshments, free will offering, and three new members. November first we had a rousing Franchise meeting, with the superintendent of that department, Mrs. Robert Kelly, in charge, using for our study the Polly Grot Petition, with readings of up-to-date statistics concerning the enfranchisement of women. Dec. 6th we enjoyed the Union Signal reports of the World's and National conventions.

January 3d we observed Mothers' Day at the home of Mrs. Bell Myers. Mrs. Anna Eberly, superintendent of Purity and Mothers Meetings had charge of the program, and most all present took part and helped make this a most profitable meeting, and the responsibility and opportunity of motherhood exalted. February 7th members and friends to the number of 33 gathered at the home of Mrs. Kelly to observe in connection with our regular meeting our Frances Willard Day. A program of songs and appropriate readings by Mesdames Cook, Ione Eberly and Luella Vanhorn was given. This was followed by a very interesting and appropriate talk by Rev. Chamberlain, making prominent the facts of Miss Willard's sorrow and consecration, with the thought for us that no life has ever yet, or ever will attain to any degree of real worth or power, without passing through the Gethsemane of consecration and self denial. A social hour was enjoyed and refreshments were served. A free will offering of \$3.00 was received. February 15th a silver medal contest was held with pupils of the eighth grade. We tried the plan of collection instead of admission, and we believe it the better plan as we find that the class of people we are trying to influence are not enough interested to pay an admission. Our contest was a success. We have sent our \$2.00 memorial offering to the National W. C. T. U. treasury. We will present a large framed picture of Miss Willard to the school as near Memorial Day as possible. Our suffrage petition was signed by a goodly number, considering the time and opportunity we had to work it. We have the hearty co-operation of our ministers and teachers, several of them members of our Union. We have twenty copies of the State Minutes in the Union.

MRS. ANNA A. EBERLY.

Richmond Frances Willard Union met at the home of Mrs. Henry Luring. Miss Mary Toms conducted the devotional service assisted by Mrs. Philabaum. In response to roll call members gave quotations from Miss Willard's writings. A duet by Mesdames Longenecker and Gorman was enjoyed. Papers and select readings by Mesdames Ellen Norris and Hannah Graves. "Golden Rule," a solo, by Mrs. Gorman proved very entertaining. Several new members were added and a committee was appointed to draw up and have published, a "protest against the Mormon elders circulating and

promulgating their odious doctrines." A vote was sustained that the union sign a petition asking for the unseating of Reed Smoot, U. S. Senator. A collection of \$1.35 was raised toward our annual \$2.00 memorial fund. The union will meet in two weeks at the home of the Rev. Trautman, 20 South Thirteenth Street.

MRS. L. D. HOPKINS.

The Howard County W. C. T. U. held its fourth quarterly superintendent's meeting in the Friend's Church at Greentown, the second Thursday in February. First a devotional service of scripture reading and prayer. Then an excellent meeting, presided over by Mrs. Ida Mix, the County President. Various subjects of importance to members of the union were discussed. Then came the noon tide prayer. The afternoon service was opened by a song. The five departments namely, Medical Temperance, Contest Work, Peace and Arbitration, Purity in Literature and Art, Law and Statistics, were presented by the superintendents. A very interesting discussion followed. Meeting adjourned to meet the second Thursday in May.

South Bend Colfax Ave. W. C. T. U. entertained their L. T. L. on Washington's birthday at the home of one of the members of the union. Songs, recitations and games were enjoyed and refreshments were served. Over thirty children were present. Mrs. M. J. Sheldon of Perry, N. Y., aunt of the Rev. C. M. Sheldon, the author, was present, and gave the Legion three dollars to be used for literature. The children gave her a rising vote of thanks and the Chataqua salute. The Legion is growing in interest and members through the labors of Mesdames Nash and Lushbaugh.

LaPorte Union held an interesting parlor meeting February 8th at the home of Rev. J. N. Harmon. Miss Libbie Tabor led the devotionals. Suffrage was one of the questions discussed. On February 22d a business meeting was held in the W. C. T. U. parlor. Also Frances E. Willard Day was observed. Those taking part were Mesdames M. Baumgardner, R. Bowers; J. N. Harmon, J. Fuller, Oscar Parkell and Seth Pease.

The Cold Spring W. C. T. U. organized three and one-half years ago, with one exception have held a meeting the first Tuesday of each month. Have met each January with the president for the day. Held at 2 p. m. a Mothers Meeting. This year had seven recitations by the little folks. Selections read from American Motherhood and discussed by all present. Miss Brown, a former member of the union presided at the organ. We decided that day to memorize a passage of Scripture each week of the year and answer roll call each meeting by repeating four passages. Thus far all that have attended since have responded by so doing. We may be able to give a reason for the hope within us and ever have the sword of the Spirit to help fight our battles. February 17th, Frances Willard Day, the Presbyterian minister preached a most excellent sermon from the text, "She Hath Done What She Could." We were invited to hold our March meeting at the home of Mrs. E. Chance, but on account of sickness held it at Mrs. Evans' home. Not many were present. Our county president was with us with her words of cheer and we parted feeling 'twas good to be there. Probably our union has the least paid up membership in the State, but we hope to continue for our Father has said where two or three are gathered together in my name there am I. While we are sometimes pained by the indifference and opposition to our work we will go on trusting that if we do what we can, we will at the close of this life hear the "well done."

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IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. Sarah Cutler: LaPorte Union, is mourning the loss of this dear sister. She was called home Feb. 28th, her funeral was held on Mar. 4th. The text—Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints was very appropriate, Psalm, 116-15. Her age was 83. A long life well spent.

Seymour W. C. T. U. sustained a great loss in the "home going" of Mrs. J. B. Conrad, wife of a Baptist Minister. She was Supt. of the Scientific Temperance Instruction, both local and County, was an earnest and intelligent worker. Held a reception for teachers at her home. Was much interested in all W. C. T. U. work. Three little daughters lost a loving mother; the husband, who fully sympathized with her in W. C. T. U. work, a faithful wife and efficient helper in all good work.

Mrs. Mary A. Ralldigs, Vice Pres. of Marshall Union, died Feb. 22nd, at the age of 77 years. Pneumonia took her away in less than a week. She had been a member of the W. C. T. U. at Annapolis for several years and has been a regular attendant at our Union for seven years, always ready to perform her share of labor and responsibility. Was a charter member of the Marshall Union being Vice Pres. and Sabbath Observance Supt. of both County and Local Unions. She was truly an earnest worker in the cause of humanity and right, was ever ready to lift her voice against the evils of the day. Her work will be sadly missed. It can be truly said of her, she was a mother in Israel. She was rich in heavenly things. When laid away the little white bow was on her breast. The union gave a beautiful floral offering.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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Almost unconsciously but nevertheless irresistibly during the past few months, the Prohibition Reform has been widely extending its influence, its audience and its ranks of recruits in the great "out-side" public once either actively hostile or else stolidly indifferent to its message.

The change has been taking place so steadily and imperceptibly that its importance and significance has scarcely been recognized, but the proof of it lies in this startling fact now everywhere self-evident:

TEN OR TWENTY YEARS AGO, THE PROHIBITION ADVOCATE FOUND SCARCELY AN ITEM OF DATA OR ARGUMENT FOR HIS CAUSE EXCEPT SUCH AS WAS FURNISHED AND PREPARED FOR HIM BY RADICAL PROHIBITION INVESTIGATORS AND AUTHORITIES ALONE.

Today the arsenal of Prohibition ammunition could be supplied with practically every weapon of offense and defense merely from the news articles, studies, addresses and judicial decisions of men and women who may properly be regarded as entirely outside of the ranks of the strictly Prohibition forces.

Prof. S. Lawrence Bigelow of the University of Michigan in Popular Science Monthly for March, 1907:—

"The Federal Government has no disciplinary motive in this heavy tax (Internal Revenue); that function is performed by the individual states and cities under the familiar name of local option. The government merely takes advantage of the strong feelings of so many individuals against the use of alcoholic beverages at all, to levy a tremendous tax. It is an interesting fact in this connection that no increase in the tax has ever produced an appreciable diminution in the amount consumed in this or any other country."

The-Collegiate Prohibition Association of America—Officered by wide-awake, aggressive college-bred leaders, the Inter-Collegiate Prohibition Association of America is rapidly becoming a factor of influence and numerical strength in university life, second only to the College Y. M. C. A. movement itself.

The remarkable development of this unique endeavor in the higher institutions of learning during the past few years is another of the many evidences of the growing strength of the Prohibition reform throughout America.

Twenty-six years ago when Wendell Phillips startled the college world of Harvard with his radical eloquence and boldly championed the cause of Prohibition and Woman Suffrage in his famous Phi Beta Kappa address, conservative scholarship sneered at his "seditious" teachings, and put them down to the professional incendiary of the confirmed "reformer."

Eighteen years later in 1898 and 9, revelations of college dissipation and debauchery at many leading denominational institutions strangled the Christian church, and showed how little effect the appeals of Phillips and his brother-moralists seemed to have had upon the student world.

At this very time, however, while drunkenness and contempt for "temperance" appeared to be rampant in the colleges, an earnest body of young men and women were launching the Inter-Collegiate Prohibition Movement, which, in less than a decade has spread into every leading state, and now counts its friends into the thousands among university students, instructors and professors.

Over 150 colleges and universities are represented on its membership rolls. A large number of prominent college presidents are openly friendly to its endeavors.

There are today colleges in practically every state in the Union in which a large per cent, if not the whole of the faculty-staff are avowed Prohibitionists.

CAPTURING THE UNDER-GRADUATE LEADERS—

The college Prohibition movement has from the start aimed to enlist the undergraduates "honor" men and women in the Prohibition reform, with singular success. College leaders in scholarship, oratory, athletics and religious endeavor now form a large proportion of the active workers in the Inter-Collegiate Prohibition Leagues.

For instance, the third prize winner in the last national oratorical contest of the College Prohibitionists, at Minneapolis in June, 1906, was recognized as one the best all-round athletes of the Pacific coast, and ten days after his participation in this national contest, won second place in the broad jump in the World's Championship Games at London, England, being beaten only by the World's Champion, Peter O'Connor, of Dublin, Ireland.

The National Secretary, Harry S. Warner, of the College Prohibition movement, in an interview with the Associated Prohibition Press today at his headquarters in The Temple, epitomized the purpose in these pointed words:

"A distinguished college authority has said: 'One third of the college students are just ordinary, 'One third go to the devil, and 'One third rule the world.'"

"We propose to get hold of this third for the Prohibition reform."

And their strenuous nation-wide agitation, continually in progress during the college year, with traveling secretaries going from school to school and from state to state, testifies to the success with which they are everywhere meeting.

THE COLLEGE PROHIBITION CAMPAIGN—

Secretary Warner thus outlined the important coming events in the college movement.

"The enlistment of college men for the anti-liquor-fight—that is the key purpose in the coming series of state conferences, which are to be held under the direction of the National Secretaries of the College Prohibition movement in April and May.

"In each of the more prominent states, where such conventions have not been held this year, the students will gather from the colleges and universities to join in two days of earnest discussion as to how to make their lives count most for the removal of the liquor evil from our country.

"A team of National Secretaries, composed of Traveling Secretary, Virgil G. Hinshaw, of Minneapolis, Minn., and General Secretary Harry S. Warner, of Chicago, will attend most of the state conferences speaking daily upon such topics as 'The Claims of the Prohibition Movement Upon College Men,' 'Volunteer Service for Students,' and 'The Sources of the Liquor Problem and How to Get at These Sources.'"

"Prominent state and local speakers will speak upon the work of their organizations and the field in their state and the opportunities it offers. Each half day the Secretaries will lead in conferences on the local League and state work and the value of study of the liquor problem and similar civic reforms during college days.

FOURTEEN IMPORTANT CONTESTS AND CONFERENCES IN THE NEXT SIXTY DAYS—

In the following states at some central college—Illinois, Michigan, Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, Colorado, Southern California, North California, Oregon and Washington.

During each conference an oratorical contest will be held, the winner will be entitled to contest for the National prize. Our Indiana Conference will be held at Greencastle under the local management of the De Pauw University Prohibition League, May 3 and 4. Speakers include Secretaries Warner and Hinshaw. The oratorical contest will be held on Friday night.

"So much for the great legalized branch of the sale of dissipation in Chicago. The net results of the free and undisciplined struggle have been two: The thorough saturation of Chicago—especially of the tenement districts—with alcoholic liquor; and a high and successful premium on the criminal saloon."

Prof. Hartman of the University of Leipzig gives this advice regarding the need of teaching Scientific Temperance in schools.

"Saturate your whole teaching force with anti-alcohol instruction. Place anti-alcohol books in teacher's libraries, and in those of all universities, and polytechnics. See that the subject is discussed by the pedagogic press, at meetings of school directors, and before teachers' gatherings. Secure lecturers of the highest expert knowledge—jurists, physicists, physiologists, to address the combined schools of each city. Introduce the subject wherever possible into the religious classes, the natural science classes, etc. Send circulars home to the parents showing them the danger of alcoholic poisoning to children; and even invite parents together to explain to them the danger of drinking. Urge the teachers to organize for the fight; develop anti-alcohol unions among the school children."

From every organization that sympathizes or compromises with the rum traffic, Christian men should separate themselves and unite in an organization, every member of which shall, at all times, including election days, and in all places, including the polls and with all powers, including the ballot, stand against the giant evil of the day.—Bishop Fitzgerald.

THE WHITE FIBBON.

"I seek it, the white, white ribbon,
In parlor and street and cars
I watch or its flashing message,
As those who watch for the stars;
For though it be frayed and dingy,
And worn on a shabby dress,
It lends to its faithful wearer
A charm you may never guess.
So wear it with pride, dear women,
Morning and noon and night;
Glad to show,
Wherever you go,
You are standing for God and right."

THE YEAR OF JUBILEE.

"To preach the acceptable year of the Lord." means the grateful, pleasant, agreeable opportune time appointed by God. The thought becomes plain when we connect it with the Sabbatical or Jubilee year of the Jews, that was ushered in with the soundings of music and trumpets and the most extreme demonstrations of Joy. It meant so much to these people. All debts were cancelled, Homes that had been lost by famines, sin, sickness or death were restored to the rightful owners and bondmen freed, and great brotherly kindness prevailed.

Under the Gospel dispensation every year may be a Jubilee year. It will come to us along our strongest desires and efforts.

The year of Jubilee can not come to the drunkard restoring his home, cancelling his debts, and freeing his children from the bondage of ignorance, poverty and disgrace until every Christian man and woman "preach the acceptable year of the Lord."

Today is the year of opportunity! What is your duty? Is it not to sound a trumpet blast against the walls of national iniquity that the year of Jubilee may be herelined in.

MATTIE CAMMACH GIBSON.

THE CHURCH'S "MOVE" NEXT.

It's our move. What shall we do to get the boys into the church and then to send them out so nerved and vitalized with its teaching, that its word will be with power, in the body politic? The answer is: Make the church strong. She cannot hold young men with a grip that is flabby.

The national rallying place for a campaign of virility is at the liquor problem; we are informed about it; we are agreed about it; it is imminent; it is moral; it is economic; it is industrial; it is terrible.

Think of the license question. To the Christian voter comes the saloon-keeper, red-handed, saying, "I intend to pre-empt the streams of political power and gear them to gin-mills for grinding young men to saloon pulp. I shall do so, right or wrong; but I prefer to have the right to do it." What do you say?

And the Christian voter fairly gasps at the cruelty and the treason of it and replies:

"You should not do this thing; it is a crime that you propose. The chief asset of the nation of its men; and you break men and bray them as in a mortar. And the chief temples of the nation are its homes, and you loot homes and desolate them. The chief defense of the nation is the school, and you defeat it and pervert its output. The chief security of the nation is the law, and you befoul it at its sources and defeat it all the way. The chief business of the nation is truth and justice and you make them a lie and a farce. The most precious possession of the nation is the hearts of its women, and you despise them. I forbid you, in the name of public virtue."

And the saloon-keeper says: "Oh, well, if virtue is the subject of your story, we can do business. Fetch out your virtue; show it to me; put a price on it; sell it. How much is it?" And this Christian government puts it up for sale, with a tag on it, and even hawks it in the purlieus of the city, and the saloon-keeper says: "Done, I can use that kind of virtue in my business, knock it down to me. I take it off your hands and off your mind. It is mine."

And it is his, at so much money, by the year. That is the license system.—John G. Woolley, to Young Men in HOME HERALD, Jan. 16, 1907.

The Patriot, the leading liquor paper of Washington has the following news:

"The brewing interest of the country have in operation in the city of Washington a press bureau which is intended to educate the people to a realization of the harmlessness of beer as a beverage, and incidentally to look after legislation in the interests of the brewers."

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Flower Mission Day, June 9.

National Independence Day, July 4.

Friends of Prohibition who live near Greencastle be sure and attend the Inter-Collegiate Prohibition Conference held there May 3 and 4. On Friday night the oratorical contest will be held. Be sure and attend.

This conference is of the greatest importance be sure and let nothing prevent you from attending—Lend your influence to this cause by your presence.

The Father is the head of the household, as such he should establish rules for the home, viz: The observance of the Sabbath day.

The bed-time hour when the young folks' callers are expected to leave.

Concerning girls and young women going unchaperoned away from the house at night.

May 1st is not too early to begin arranging for the July 4th celebration.

Plan for a big day. Get posters printed right away and have them put up for miles around. Engage a brass band. Arrange athletic games. Engage speakers.

Seek to pre-empt the day for temperance instead of "foll de roll."

Many readers of the Message are not familiar with the plan and purpose of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Few can explain the plan of organization basis of membership of the State, National and World's unions. Because every member should be well informed she should read "A Brief History of the W. C. T. U." Price 25 cents. Address Union Signal, Evanston, Ill. Send two cent stamps.

FLOWER MISSION.

June 9th is annual Flower Mission Day. Our state superintendent of this Department, Mrs. Nellie S. Davis, R. R. No. 3, Marion, has no doubt been in communication with many of the unions during the year and has urged definite work.

There are many persons who can be reached through the medium of flowers and scripture text cards not easily reached otherwise.

Some good work is done in other state in this department by the superintendent securing

the co-operation of the ladies who have flowers by getting them to promise one or more good sized bouquets a week.

Then enlisting the interest of the boys and girls to distribute the bouquets.

Every bouquet to have attached, by narrow white ribbon, a card bearing a scripture text, and the words, "Woman's Christian Temperance Union" in small type underneath the text.

These bouquets to be taken regular on certain days of the week to the schools, the hotels and the stores.

This work to continue so far as the stores and hotels are concerned as long as the flowers bloom in the yards.

Consider if you please what this would mean.

The message of flowers and scripture texts would reach many through the schools, hotels, and stores. Familiarize them with some of the work of the W. C. T. U. Especially would this be far-reaching and appreciated by the traveling public who notice closely every thing on the dining tables at the hotels and the shopping public which is always attracted by bouquets on the show cases in the stores.

This method of work can be broadened so as to reach many places not included in the usual plan of reaching the sick and afflicted in the homes and at the hospitals.

Flower Mission Day—(some day in June)—the ninth is early for our flowers—should be observed by every union in Indiana, by sending button hole bouquets to some special place. Hospital, jail, offices in the court house, to the fire department, factories, street car barns, orphan's homes, county poor farms.

To some places, besides the bouquets, fruit, or slices of white cake wrapped in tissue paper and tied with white ribbon and scripture card attached would be a dainty gift. This especially to those in street and interurban service.

The Flower Mission work is beautiful and much can be done by one individual.

Each local president should consider the importance of the Flower Mission in carrying the gospel of Jesus Christ and the blessedness of our beautiful White Ribbon work.

The Mid-Year Executive was held in the First M. E. church, Marion, April 2 and 3.

All of the general officers were present and a large representation of the county presidents. The business meetings were held Tuesday, P. M. and Wednesday A. M.

Mrs. Martha L. Gipe, president of Marion Co., represented her county executive in making a nice little speech of request for the state to invite the National W. C. T. U. convention to come to Indianapolis in 1908 or 1909. This was heartily approved.

The National convention will be held this year at Nashville, Tenn., and possibly in 1908 in Denver, Colo. Indiana must have it in 1909 if not in 1908.

The Indiana State convention will be held in October this year at La Fayette.

Invitations were also received from Elkhart and Bedford but a more central place was decided upon.

The condition of the Hadley Industrial School was presented by Mrs. Lizzie Hann, president of the Board of Trustees.

Mrs. Daisy Barr, of Van Buren, Grant county, secretary of the Young Woman's Branch, resigned on account of being called to the pastorate of the Friends church at Fairmount. Mrs. Barr is a woman of rare qualifications for work.

Mrs. ———, a returned missionary, from India, was elected to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Barr.

Mrs. McWhirter urged greater activity of the press reporters in the local unions, showing their wonderful opportunity to keep the reading public informed upon the work of the W. C. T. U., not by contributing articles on department work but by sending in fresh brief items concerning the local, state and national work and workers.

Miss Sears, State Treasurer, reported an increase of paid members thus far this year.

During the Institute's work there will no doubt be a large increase if the local treasurers will collect the dues.

Tuesday evening Mrs. Julia Overman held a diamond medal contest.

On Wednesday afternoon there was a large attendance of the Grant County White Ribboners and friends.

Miss Mary Woodard made a very practical splendid short address on High License or Prohibition.

Mrs. S. M. Stahl spoke with great earnestness on the Mothers' Meetings.

Mrs. Martha L. Gipe spoke regarding the needs of our work.

Mrs. Ida Mix, secretary of the Loyal Temperance Legion Branch, made a good report of the Legion work. She urged that greater effort be made to enlist the young people and to secure leaders.

Mrs. Mix is doing much for the L. T. L.

Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, former state president, was present and enthusiastically greeted. She spoke encouragingly.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley was present for the first of the meeting only, greatly to the disappoint-

ment of many.

Mrs. Vayhinger, our state president, made an able and convincing address upon the Relation of Temperance to Missions. This was a great meeting.

The observance of "Lord's Day Week" has given new interest to our W. C. T. U. work in some places in Indiana.

More people are realizing the danger to us as a nation from the indifference toward the Sabbath Day. Our superintendents are doing some excellent work.

One superintendent of Sabbath Observance in an Indianapolis union asked eighteen pastors to preach sermons on the subject on April 14. Many did so, thus great numbers of our earnest christian people were reached with the appalling need of the christian man's activity against the Sabbath being made a holiday and not considered a holy day.

Great service can be done for our cause by words of commendation and appreciation to the editors of the newspapers, regarding what they do and say favorable to temperance and purity. It would only take a few minutes to write a little note and less time to speak over the telephone. The newspaper belongs to them and usually editors are very sensitive concerning the "pulse of the people."

You say they advertise liquor, yes they do. but it is also a fact that the newspapers carry the news to the people and are our very greatest factors in moulding public sentiments.

A resolution for a good purpose may be passed by a small body of people without creating very much favorable sentiment but if the report of that little meeting including the resolution is published in the local paper, the facts are given wide-spread publicity and are commented upon by all classes of readers. Definite sentiment is thus formed many and many times much good accomplished.

The very greatest need of our local unions is good reporters.

Girls or women who will learn how to do good and acceptable reporting.

Newspaper men want news.

The report of a local union meeting should eliminate all minor details, such as would not be of general interest, but something like the following outline.

Time, place, important items reported. If resolution is passed, give it verbatim. Report such business only as will be of general interest to persons unfamiliar with our work, never report little things in detail. Mention names of each person who is on the program. Married women who are not widely known in the community by their first names should be mentioned in the report by their husband's names or initials—thus Mrs. Parker Smith unless she is well and generally known as Mrs. Elmira Smith. A short concise report type-written or very plainly written with pen will almost always get a conspicuous place in the paper if it is sent in the very day or the next morning after the meeting. Stale news is never acceptable. Poor penmanship is abominable. Proper names can not be guessed at but must be spelled correctly and written plainly.

To shirk the work of writing a report by calling up by telephone and giving the editor the news is not practical and is not wise.

Usually the nicely written, well arranged report will appear exactly as sent in and that is what should always be done instead of telling some things that occurred and expect an editor to write a nice report.

The influence of the newspapers is invaluable to our cause.

The Indianapolis Central W. C. T. U. is working for the appointment of matrons or chaperones to look after young girls who go unchaperoned to our large city parks. This subject was first presented to the union by Mrs. L. D. B. Cowan one year ago. A resolution deploing the need and seeking co-operation was presented from Central union to the Local Council of Women at the May meeting and indorsed, this being the last meeting of the council until October no work was done. Mrs. Cowan again presented the matter to Central union and a committee from the union consisting of Mrs. Cowan, Mrs. S. D. Farabee and Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter was appointed. This committee went before the City Park Board and asked for the appointment of two matrons or chaperones for each park for duty from May 15 to Sept. 15, from twelve o'clock noon on twelve o'clock, midnight, or until the parks are closed. The chaperones to be discreet, capable, christian women who will take a motherly interest in unprotected young girls and have authority to send them home if deemed best. This committee presented the subject to the Methodist Ministerial meeting and to the Presbyterian Ministers' meeting, being received in both instances most graciously and hearing passed in both meetings strong resolutions of co-operation.

Army Canteen, that institution of evil to our soldier boys must be fostered by some public men in order for them to keep the influence of the liquor element so necessary for their support at the polls if they are elected to office.

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RECEIPTS.

Allen County.	Van Buren..... .65
Boston (Monroe-ville)\$6.50	Oak Chapel 2.60
Francis Willard	Farrville 1.95
Ft. Wayne..... 5.85	Shugart 3.25
Hoagland ..... .65	Maple Street..... 1.30
	Little Ridge..... 2.60
	Fowlerton 1.30
	Grant 2.60
	Marion Central... 6.50
Bartholomew County.	Oak Ridge..... 1.95
Hartsville 4.55	
	59.80
Benton County.	Hamilton County.
Boswell 3.90	Eagletown 2.60
Oxford 7.80	Sheridan 1.95
Otterbein 4.55	Westfield .....19.50
	Carmel 3.90
	Hortonville ..... .65
	28.60
Blackford County.	Hancock County.
Hartford City.....18.20	Western Grove.... 3.90
Montpelier 9.10	
	27.30
Boone County.	Hendricks County.
Lebanon 8.45	Danville 1.95
	Plainfield 1.95
Carroll County.	Fairfield 5.85
Burlington 1.80	
Deer Creek 2.40	9.75
4.20	Henry County.
Cass County.	New Castle..... 5.20
Logansport 4.55	
	Huntington County.
Clark County.	Roanoke ..... .65
Jeffersonville 6.50	Jackson County.
Charlestown 3.25	Seymour 4.55
9.75	Jefferson County.
Clay County.	Madison .....22.10
Brazil .....12.35	Dupont 1.95
	24.05
Clinton County.	Jay County.
Mulberry 2.60	Portland .....20.15
Jefferson 2.60	Red Key..... 3.90
Rossville ..... .65	Balbec 2.60
Frankfort 4.55	Bryant 7.80
Colfax 4.55	Pennville ..... .65
	White Oak..... 1.30
14.95	Oakland ..... .65
	37.05
Dearborn County.	Jennings County.
Lawrenceburg 4.55	North Vernon.... 7.15
Aurora 2.60	
Moore's Hill..... 2.60	Johnson County.
Wright's Corner... 3.25	Franklin 1.30
Guilford 1.95	Whiteland 6.50
Dillsboro 1.30	
Cochran ..... .65	7.80
Brights .....14.30	
31.20	Knox County.
Decatur County.	Vincennes 3.90
Greensburg 9.10	
	Kosciusko County.
Dekalb County.	Syracuse 1.95
Butler 3.25	
Auburn 7.15	Lake County.
Garrett 2.60	Lowell 7.15
St. Joe..... 1.30	
	LaPorte County.
14.30	LaPorte 3.25
Delaware County.	Lawrence County.
Eaton 1.30	Bedford .....10.40
Normal City 7.15	
Albany 6.50	Madison County.
Muncie 3.90	Anderson W..... 8.45
	Lapel ..... .65
	Alexandria 1.95
18.85	Anderson Y..... 3.25
Elkhart County.	Elwood 4.55
Elkhart 9.75	
Goshen 7.80	18.85
Middlebury ..... .65	
Nappanee 8.45	Marion County.
	Meridian Union.... 7.15
26.65	Central .....11.70
Floyd County.	Palmer 1.95
Galena 1.95	Bridgeport 2.60
	Vayhlinger 5.40
Fountain County.	Broad Ripple..... 3.20
Covington 6.50	Mapleton 3.90
	Frances Willard... 7.80
Franklin County.	
Bath (Memorial).. 6.50	43.70
	Marshall County.
Gibson County.	Bourbon 3.25
Princeton 8.45	Bremen 1.95
	Culver 2.60
Grant County.	
South Marion..... 7.15	7.80
Upland 5.85	
Fairmount 6.50	Miami County.
Back Creek..... 1.30	Amboy 7.80
Deer Creek..... 9.10	Peru 2.60
Swayzee ..... .65	
Sweetser 4.55	10.40

Monroe County.	Colfax 5.20
Bloomington .....12.35	Pleasant View ... 1.95
Stinesville 1.30	Frances Willard... 6.50
	North Liberty..... 3.90
	29.90
Morgan County.	Tippecanoe County.
Mooreville 4.55	Soldiers' Home... 3.90
Martinsville 5.85	Lafayette 3.25
Morgantown .....12.35	Central 3.90
Monrovia 1.30	Edgerton 3.90
	14.95
24.05	Union County.
Noble County.	College Corner ... 5.20
Kendallville 8.45	Liberty 5.20
Ohio County.	
Rising Sun..... 1.30	10.40
Owen County.	Vandenburg County.
Gosport .....13.00	Howell 1.95
Spencer 4.55	Evansville Central 4.55
	Frances Willard... 5.85
17.55	West Side..... 3.25
Parke County.	
Marshall ..... .65	15.60
Coloma 1.95	Vermillion County.
	Dana 8.45
2.60	Wabash County.
Porter County.	South Wabash.... 2.60
Valpariso 1.30	N. Manchester... 1.95
Hebron 4.55	
	4.55
5.85	Warrick County.
Posey County.	Chandler 5.85
Mt. Vernon..... 4.55	Boonville 5.20
Poseyville .....14.95	Newburg 5.85
	16.90
19.50	Washington County.
Pike County.	Salem 3.90
Petersburg 1.95	Fredericksburg ... 3.25
Pulaski County.	Campbellsburg ... 1.95
Winnamac 3.25	
Star City 1.30	9.10
	Wayne County.
4.55	Economy 3.25
Putnam County.	Frances Willard... 4.55
Greencastle 6.00	Fountain City.... 9.10
Ripley County.	Mary F. Thomas... 4.55
Batesville 7.15	
Versailles 5.20	21.45
	Whitley County.
12.35	Churubusco 5.85
Spencer County.	
Rockport ..... .65	Wells County.
Chrisney 1.30	Bluffton .....11.70
	Keystone 3.90
1.95	Six Mile..... .65
Steuben County.	Elhanan ..... .65
Hamilton 2.60	Ossian 4.55
Fremont 3.90	Nottingham 1.30
Pleasant Lake.... 3.90	Reifsborg ..... .65
	Poneto 3.25
10.40	Liberty Center... 4.55
St. Joseph County.	
Chapin Park.....12.35	31.20

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand from last quarter.....	\$1,024.86
For Minutes	47.95
For Hadley Industrial School.....	359.86
For County Dues	12.45
For Organization Fund	21.64
For Willard Memorial Fund.....	30.00
For Field Work	3.69
Miscellaneous	10.60
For 1277 W. C. T. U. members and five "Y's"	803.30
Total	\$2,314.35
Total disbursements	1,156.40
March 26, '07, leaving balance to date...	\$1,157.95

CLARA M. SEARS,
State W. C. T. U. Treasurer.

PURITY IN LITERATURE AND ART.

At Elkhart we began the new year by holding a meeting in this department with Mrs. R. C. Travis. Rev. H. N. Spear gave an address on Billboards and Impure Pictures. He made some very fine points along these lines and read our state law bearing upon this department. We have sent out eight thousand pages of literature and are hoping to help create public sentiment for a higher class of pictures. Our Penny Arcade has gone to a cooler climate and just now we are rejoicing that no others will enter the field. Were it possible for us to stop the printing even of impure pictures it would help our boys and girls in many ways.

In eleven years there were captured thirty-five tons of obscene matter and destroyed. Dear sisters is there not from these figures something for each of us to do?

Dear Supt. will you not ask every pastor to preach one or more sermons during the year and report the same to me. Send me any suggestion or item of interest. I have sent out re-

port blanks. Any one that has not received one please write me at once.

Yours in the Work,
R. C. TRAVIS, State Superintendent.

ANNIVERSARY PEACE DAY.

"On May 18, 1899, one hundred delegates of the twenty-six nations that had representatives at St. Petersburg, met in a palace at The Hague to consider the Czar's rescript issued in Aug., 1899. The mightiest monarch in Christendom, appalled that the increased cost of armaments was bringing about the very results armies were formed to avert, had urged the nations to discuss gradual proportionate disarmament. For three months the Conference worked steadily on its problems." The result of this work is the permanent International Court and its fine Temple of Peace which is about to be erected at The Hague in Holland.

The Peace department of the World's and National Woman's Christian Temperance Union in co-operation with other Peace organizations asks that the anniversary of that first Conference of Nations, May 18, (or a date near to it) be observed by schools in all localities, where practicable, for the promulgation of arbitration principles.

Suggestive programs and samples of literature can be obtained for ten cents, of the department superintendent, at Winthrop Center, Me.

HANNAH J. BAILEY, Supt.

World's and National Peace and Arbitration.

Marion County Institute was held in Trinity Methodist church, West Indianapolis, with a good attendance. Careful arrangements having been made by the county officers. Mrs. Gipe, county president, was present and ably assisted in the details by the other county officers. Mrs. Vayhinger, state president, was the leader. Rev. Moore, the pastor, was present and helpful in all ways possible. Under Mrs. Vayhinger's able leadership the institute was helpful and interesting. New members were added to the union. Mrs. Vayhinger's address on Suffrage was excellent. The contest on the last night was good.

For Flower Mission Scripture text cards send to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College Ave., Indianapolis. Price 15 cents per hundred. Sold only by the hundred.

Mrs. W. L. Northam writes: "The Sheridan W. C. T. U. and other temperance organizations secured the services of Mrs. Trego for her three days' lecture course. To say we enjoyed her talks would be expressing our feelings mildly. Her illustrated lecture and pictures were fine but she is such an artist at "word pictures" that to some they were more of a treat than the pictures on the canvass. Mrs. Trego's argument is convincing and her style of delivery so entertaining that to hear her once begets a great desire to hear her again. The night services were well attended and as an indication of the appreciation of her work an offering of twenty-five dollars was taken up the last night of her lecture. We considered it a great privilege to have had Mrs. Trego with us.

Monroe County dry but one place and I shall not tell you which that is for we have such a strong union there and with nine honorary members who say to our women command and we will obey so it will be dry too when the time comes. Temperance outlook was never better in Bloomington than now, although our dry town there is much yet to do. Some of the boys are found drunk from Lemon Extract. Now dear sisters for once and forever banish all from your home that contain any alcohol. With Mrs. Beck, Co. President, we think there will be no doubt we will have our six unions. Requests are coming in for organization, so we think the harvest is ready. We have a young lady with us who has won the grand diamond medal. Not many countries can boast of that. I do not suppose she will care if I tell her name—Miss Simmons. Now do not criticise us about our high school trouble. They were not W. C. T. U.'s. Had they been 'twould never happened.

PRES. O. SIRBENTHAL.

Madison County Institute was held in the beautiful First M. E. church, Anderson, Ind., April 10 and 11th. Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, the leader, and the testimony of one and all was that this was the best ever held, the lecture on Wednesday evening was one of the finest.

Medal Contest on Thursday evening good. As a result of the Institute twenty-three active members were secured and ten for the "Ys." Mrs. Retta Jones, the County President, was largely responsible for the success of the meeting in her wise planning and the local women responding to the plans.

Gov. Hock of Kansas, says: The per capita wealth in Kansas is ninety dollars, nearly three times the average in the United States, and a poor-house is always a joke in Kansas. Prohibition is no failure.

It is the duty of liquor men throughout the country to 'spot' every Congressman and member of a legislature, who is suspected of strong temperance proclivities, and exert themselves to the utmost to defeat him."—Texas Liquor Dealer, San Antonio.

FIELD NEWS

South Bend:—The week of prayer for Sabbath Observance under the auspices of Mrs. Kathryn Wert Holler, our indefatigable state superintendent of Sabbath Observance, was held in South Bend and was attended by many earnest people who not only pray but act for a good cause. Mrs. Holler called at the Ministerial Association when that body was in session and urged upon them to preach a sermon Sunday, 14th, on the Sacredness of the Sabbath Day, which was readily agreed to. Professor Thompson will address a mass meeting some time in May on Sabbath Observance. Aside from accomplishing all this, Mrs. Holler conducted a Chart Talk on this great subject at the Gumcydt St. Baptist church which was listened to by a good sized interested audience and also at the Colfax Union the program for the afternoon was on Sabbath Observance and many good thoughts were brought out. Mrs. Holler knows how to push her department work, and she ever meets with success.

Dupont:—Mrs. Trego, a National Evangelist, was with us for a three days' meeting in March. Mrs. Trego's lectures and addresses had excellent influence in this locality and resulted in increased membership of our union and a general good influence on public opinion on the matter of licensing of the liquor evil. Mrs. Trego's final lecture, stereopticon, was an especially powerful shot at the liquor devil. I can scarcely think of anything better for a mixed audience in country or city.—L. C. HOPPEL.

The Boston W. C. T. U. of Monroeville, Allen county, Indiana, entertained the County Institute on March 20th and 21st. This being the third time in succession that the County Institute has been entertained by this union. The Institute was a general uplift to all who were able to attend. Sickness kept many at home. Mrs. Cammack Gibson was present and cheered by her hopeful presence, and helped by her practical advice and encouragement. A Silver Medal Contest was held on the second evening by a class of boys and girls, ranging in age from 9 to 13 years. They were greeted by a crowded house. Master Virgil Youse received the medal. Mrs. Gibson's address, "Five Boys in Knee Pants," was listened to with marked attention. Many favorable comments were heard regarding it. Altogether it was a very interesting and helpful institute amply repaying the Marion team for their work.

The Salem W. C. T. U. held Willard Memorial service at the Presbyterian church here, at 7:00 p. m., on the 17th. The church was crowded two other congregations here being dismissed for the occasion. Mrs. Fanny G. Ellis, our efficient president, presided. The meeting was a success in every way. Judging from their very close attention, remarks at the close of the meeting, and the large free will offering for our work, the big audience highly appreciated the program.

Our Union meets the first and third Tuesday of each month. At our last meeting a member read a lengthy paper on "Equality of the Sexes Morally, Socially and Civilly, is in Accordance with the Scripture." In hope of dispelling some of the ignorance in regard to the woman's rights question, we put on our program for the year, several subjects relating to this matter. Our local Superintendent of Franchises conducted a very successful canvass for signatures to the petition sent out by State Superintendent, securing the signatures of ninety per cent. of those to whom the petition was presented.

MARY N. OVERMAN,
Superintendent of Press Work.

The Columbus W. C. T. U. has had Mrs. Trego with them for a course of lectures. Any Union desiring Mrs. Trego's service need not have any fears of being disappointed. She is fine. Her stereopticon lecture, as well as the others, is first class.

Butterville:—Mrs. Trego visited our community March 17, 18 and 19, and we are delighted with her services. We feel that our cause has been wonderfully strengthened by having had the presence of this eloquent and powerful speaker with us. The audience proved materially their appreciation when the baskets were passed and twenty dollars was given Mrs. Trego. The lectures were powerful and convincing, sound doctrine was the basis of each address. Indiana ought to grow with such women as we have in the field. We have twenty-nine members now.

BERNICE DENTON.

LaPorte Union held a meeting at the home of Mrs. Oscar Parkell April 5, to plan for their spring institute. Other business of importance was also transacted. It was decided to order more literature for the members and others. After the meeting, Mesdames Parkell and Bowers served light refreshments.—MRS. SETH PEASE, Press Reporter.

St. Joseph County W. C. T. U. held a Frances Willard Memorial meeting at the First M. E. church in South Bend. Excellent papers on Miss Willard as a child, as a student, as an organizer, and Miss Willard's Home-going, were read re-

spectively by Mesdames Lydrek, Shumaker, Beyer and Axtell. Mrs. Cotton presided. Excellent music was contributed. The program was followed by a social hour, during which light refreshments were served. There was a large attendance and a generous collection given for the organization fund. Sunday, the 17th, Rev. Appleby preached a memorial sermon at the same church.

Bargersville W. C. T. U. organized in June, 1906, is growing. We have twenty-four members. All are working and are very much in earnest. Temperance Sunday was observed by the Sunday School and teachers, emphasizing temperance truths. Response to roll call was made by the children repeating temperance verses from the Bible. Also three special songs, one declamation and a temperance sermon by the pastor.

Hamilton County Institute was held in the Friends' church at Noblesville, April 8 and 9. Mrs. Rose Pierce was present and encouraged us with many excellent suggestions upon the different departments of work. A number of good papers were read and Mrs. Margaret Cox of Westfield, gave an interesting talk on the Hadley Industrial School.

Mrs. Melissa Emery conducted a successful oratorical contest at the First Methodist church on Monday evening. We feel greatly benefited by the recent lecture delivered in our county by Mrs. Rebecca Trego, and under the leadership of our faithful president, Mrs. Dolly Stalker, we hope to make this a great year for the W. C. T. U. in Hamilton county.—MRS. MARY K. SHOE-MAKER.

Blackford County W. C. T. U. Institute, held April 8th and 9th, at Roll M. E. church, was profitable and inspiring. We were fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. Culla Vayinger. Monday evening she held a large audience in rapt attention by her pointed, decisive truthful utterances, and rendered the temperance work comprehensible to us common people. Her enthusiasm and energetic labors were continual throughout the entire institute Tuesday. The refreshments were served in the basement of the new church, thereby making it possible to have all day service. Our beloved county president, Mrs. S. M. Stahl, in her own impressive, gentle spiritual manner, rendered equally profitable service. Ten new members were gained for Roll union and a splendid Gold Medal contest Tuesday evening was held by Mrs. Bert Ritter, county superintendent of contest work. The music furnished by a ladies' quartette, and a male quartette, was exceptionally pleasing. Mrs. Bert Ritter won the medal.—MARY B. DUNLAP, Press Superintendent.

Oak Ridge Union held a very unique all day meeting with an interesting program, consisting of inspiring remarks concerning the National convention, short talks on various subjects. In the afternoon the Oak Ridge School, with Miss Johnson, the teacher, attended in a body and sang some beautiful and appropriate songs. Mrs. McVicker explained the work of the Loyal Temperance Legion. A splendid dinner was enjoyed by the many present. The special feature of the day was the "Linen Shower" for Hadley Home, consisting of table linen, napkins, towels, dish towels, dust cloths, two comforts, one quilt, fifteen yards of curtain goods, twenty-eight yards of muslin, pillow cases, dresser scarfs, etc. Mrs. Ann Shugart donated one hundred dollars to the Home. She is an earnest member of Oak Ridge Union. This was a great day for Oak Ridge church.

Seymour W. C. T. U. program for a meeting at the home of Mrs. W. A. Wylie:
Devotions—Mrs. M. C. Carpenter.
Business.

Prohibition—Where, and With What Success—Mrs. Hadley.

Ladies' Quartette Mesdames Hoffman, Tickermyer, Carpenter and Wylie.

Other Means Employed—Mrs. W. F. Pfaffenberger.

Music—Ladies' Quartette.

Papers were carefully prepared and of unusual interest, and good attendance. In addition to program Mr. Hadley, father of T. H. Hadley, was present and spoke encouragingly.

Seymour W. C. T. U. arrange to have Gov. Hock's Prohibition address printed in three daily papers, also in the two weeklies. Our special edition was delivered to every home in the city. Seymour believes in the printed word as well as spoken.

Huntington County Institute first day was ably conducted by Mrs. Irene Gard, county president. Our Leader Mrs. Cammack Gibson, had illness in the family which prevented her attending. The subjects presented were instructive and interesting, followed by lively discussions. In the evening we listened to a report of the National and World's conventions, by Mrs. Irene Gard of Warren, which was full of inspiration and worth to our local unions. Tuesday, 19th, our leader being with us added greatly to the interest and enthusiasm, her very presence makes one want to do things, and push work along all lines. Her lecture in the evening was listened to by an attentive audience. His Divine Presence, seemed very near.

Elkhart Birthday Anniversary—A Press meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Wertz to which a pressing invitation had been sent to nearly three hundred people, two hundred of whom accepted. Among the out of town guests were Mrs. Caroline Fassnacht and Mrs. Charles Holler of South Bend, and Mrs. E. M. McCaskey, president of Goshen Union. There were twenty members of the Hudson Street Loyal Temperance Legion present. Mrs. Lillian M. U. Stevens, president of the National W. C. T. U., was the first Press Superintendent for the United States. This Press meeting was held in her honor.

The following we quote from an Elkhart daily: "The press' idea was carried out in the decorations, there being a tree in one corner whose branches held 'Union Signals,' 'Crusader Monthlies,' 'Messages' and the 'Phalanx,' which are some of the state and national temperance organs. Above this in large blue letters on a white background were the words, 'Press Department.' In an archway hung a large, beautiful picture of Mrs. Stevens, above which were a shield and the press colors, red, white and blue. Other decorations were mottoes and colors.

"The literature committee; Mrs. L. E. Hall and Mrs. Alice Watson, wore Union Signal dresses and during the program told of the 'Tree We Love' and 'How to Tell a Story.'

A piano selection beautifully rendered by Miss Rose Keene, opened the program.

"Mr. Kent, editor of the Daily Review, spoke on 'The Power of the Press,' Mr. L. H. Martin on 'The Press as a Promoter of Evil,' Rev. Grimes, pastor of Castle U. B. church, on 'How Should Christian Organizations Utilize the Press,' and Mrs. B. C. Rowley on 'The Work of the Press Department of the W. C. T. U.'

"These addresses were all excellent and most heartily appreciated. The L. T. L. sang a legion song and gave their legion yell.

"Mr. La Tanner gave a fine piano selection and Mrs. Johnson sweetly sang 'The Holy City.'

"The humorous reading, 'The Editor's Guests,' was delivered in a charming manner by Miss Nellie Smith, and followed by a social hour came press napkins, pressed peanut sandwiches and newspaper cake. At this time Miss Verna Miller and Miss Anana Peterson, Junior Legioners, favored with piano solos.

"Willard autograph cards, tied with the press colors, were given as souvenirs.

"Everyone declared that they had spent a delightful evening at the hospitable Wertz home.

"When the Legioners were ready to leave, they were again asked for their yell, which is here given:

"Hobble! Gabble! Razzle! Dazzle,
Sis, Boom! Bah!
Hudson Street L. T. L. Rah! Rah! Rah!
Will educate and agitate
For God and home and native state,
Rah! Rah! Rah!"

Grant County Jubilee, a red letter day indeed, for the W. C. T. U. forces of Grant county, was Thursday, the 18th of April.

Representatives from 18 different unions gathered in the beautiful country home of their beloved president, Mrs. Gulie E. Shugart. In order to surprise her there was no need of any strategem to insure her absence for a short period as every one knew of her devotion to her church and that this was the time for the regular mid-week service. No inconvenience was encountered by those that quietly took possession of the premises upon the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Shugart, imagine the greeting! More than one hundred White Ribbons fluttered over as many loyal hearted comrades who met them in the yard with the Chautauqua salute, singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds." After a most royal welcome had been extended by Mr. and Mrs. Shugart, a banquet feast was enjoyed, such as has not been surpassed recently, either in quality or quantity. Three long tables filled and re-filled until in a remarkably short time all had been served.

In the afternoon a surprise in a more practical form arrived, consisting of a beautiful \$25.00 kitchen cabinet which was presented by Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, with a few well chosen remarks. It was most graciously received by Mrs. Shugart. Her husband, B. L. Shugart, paid a high tribute to his wife when he said, she is worthy not only the ranks of the W. C. T. U., but as has been proven in every place she has been called to fill. Beautiful remarks were made by the Rev. Daisy Barr and the Rev. Harvey Ratliff.

At the regular meeting held recently at the home of Mrs. Sarah Robertson the members planned a happy and complete surprise by the presentation of a solid silver sugar shell, the date happening to fall on the anniversary of the birthday of the hostess. The gift is highly appreciated by the recipient.

IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. Rebecca J. Bulla, of South Bend, died March 3d. She was a valued member of the Colfax W. C. T. U. Was an earnest prohibitionist, though, in common with her sex, was denied the right of suffrage. Was a member of the C. W. B. M. of the First Christian Church and also of the South Bend prohibition alliance. Long continued ill health and especially the last few years, compelled her to cease activity along these lines, but a deep and abiding interest remained to the last.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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INDIANA SUPREME COURT TO DECIDE.

Sixth Successive Defeat for Saloon Within Three Months Drives Liquor Men to Higher Tribunal.

INDIANAPOLIS.—DECISION NO. 4—AND LEGAL VICTORY NO. 6 for the Prohibitionists in their judicial campaign to prove the saloon nuisance and saloon-license unconstitutional, has just been rendered in the Noblesville Circuit Court by Special Judge Reed Hollman, appointed by Judge Christian, in granting a change of venue to the attorneys of Edward L. Sopher, in the case in which his own famous decision was rendered on April 13th, last.

Special Judge Hollman had no sooner rendered his decision than THE LIQUOR ATTORNEYS GAVE NOTICE THAT THE DEFENDANT WOULD APPEAL FROM THE JUDGMENT AGAINST HIM TO THE SUPREME COURT.

This is just what the Prohibitionists have been waiting for ever since Judge Artman's decision, Feb. 13, 1907.

The Future of the Case Before the State Supreme Court.

This appeal, at the outset of course puts the saloon side at a disadvantage. The editors of the Patriot Phalanx, largely through whose courtesy the Associated Prohibition Press has been enabled to give its readers the first particulars of the last five victories against the liquor business, thus outline the possible future of this case, now appealed to the highest judicial tribunal in the State of Indiana:

"The liquor attorneys Shirts and Fertig, of Noblesville, have filed this appeal on behalf of their client Sopher, who was fined by Special Judge Hollman for maintaining a public nuisance, squarely on the ground that all saloons ARE NUISANCES PER SE." In making the appeal to the Supreme Court they asked the court to allow oral argument. If this is granted, there will certainly be a court room packed with interested hearers when the case is heard.

"THE ATTORNEYS ALSO OFFERED TO FILE THEIR BRIEFS IN TEN DAYS, AND PETITIONED TO HAVE THE CASE ADVANCED. This will probably not be done, as our Supreme Court rarely advances a case, the chief exceptions being when the life or liberty of some one is in jeopardy. THE EVIDENT PURPOSE OF THE SALOON ATTORNEYS IN TRYING TO HAVE THE CASE HURRIED UP, IS THEIR HOPE TO GET THE DECISION BEFORE THE RISING TIDE OF PUBLIC SENTIMENT IN THIS STATE GETS ANY HIGHER, aroused by the decisions of the judges who have declared the license law unconstitutional. THE PROBABILITIES ARE THAT THE CASE WILL NOT BE HEARD UNTIL AFTER THE SUMMER VACATION."

Another Liquor Seller Follows Sopher and also Appeals to State Court.

"Attorney Pierson has also filed a transcript for an appeal to the Supreme Court in the case against his client, Mr. Laham, of Sheridan, who was denied a license in the decision of Special Judge Hutchinson at Lebanon."

The Attorney General of State Will Appear for Prohibition Side.

"When these cases are argued in the Supreme Court, the saloon attorneys mentioned will of course be re-inforced by the best legal talent that the liquor side's money can employ, as the brewery and saloon forces realize the very life of their business is at stake. ON THE OTHER SIDE, HOWEVER, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE IS REQUIRED BY THE LAW TO APPEAR IN COURT FOR THE TEMPERANCE SIDE, since the decision of the Circuit Judges upheld the side taken by the County Prosecuting Attorney. Assisted by Doan & Orbison, it will certainly make a strong legal combination, which will plead for the judicial abolishment of Indiana's liquor license law."

Details of Sixth Great Indiana Victory in Less Than 100 Days.

NOBLESVILLE.—The score is now six to one. Edward L. Sopher has just been found guilty of maintaining a public nuisance in conducting a saloon in this city. He was fined ten dollars and costs. This was the case in which Judge Christian, in overruling a motion by defendants to quash indictment, rendered his famous decision declaring the saloon a nuisance and the law

which licenses it unconstitutional. After the Judge's ruling, that the facts were sufficient to constitute an offense, Attorneys Shirts & Fertig for the defendant asked for more time before proceeding to trial, which was granted. They then asked for a change of venue from Judge Christian, which was granted, and he appointed as Special Judge, Reed Hollman, an attorney of Lebanon.

In the trial just concluded here, the only witness examined was Sopher's bartender, who testified that the defendant was engaged in the saloon business in Noblesville, and that the saloon was open to the public on March 9th, the date alleged in the affidavit. The defendant's attorneys insisted that it was necessary to prove that this particular saloon was a public nuisance because of disorderly conduct and violation of the law, if such existed. The judge, however, held to the opinion that all saloons are nuisances per se.

Appeal to Supreme Court Saves Trouble for the Defendant.

Notice was at once given that the defendant would appeal from the judgment against him to the Supreme Court. It might have gone harder with saloonist Sopher than it did. The judge intimated that he would have ruled to abate the nuisance by ordering the saloon's doors permanently closed had the attorneys for the State insisted upon it. The prosecuting attorney, with Doan & Orbison, preferred that the nuisance question be first passed upon by the higher court.

Decision of Judge Hollman.

At the conclusion of the arguments Special Judge Hollman rendered an oral opinion, which though brief was right to the point. This gives court victory number four in Indiana, in less than one hundred days, to the opponents of the saloon and the law under which it is protected and fostered.

In passing on the case, Special Judge Hollman said: "The only question involved is whether or not the retailing of intoxicating liquors is so injurious to the public as to make the business a public nuisance. In view of the fact that nothing good comes from a saloon, except financial gain to the proprietor, it is in my mind purely a public nuisance. It is a nuisance because the results, both directly and indirectly are bad. The saloon effects the man who goes in by robbing him of his character, his money, his reputation, and making of him, in many instances, a criminal and a vagabond. Indirectly it affects his family, who must suffer by reason of his abuse and his failure to provide. THE SALOON AFFECTS THE PUBLIC GENERALLY IN THE INCREASED EXPENSE NECESSARY FOR MAINTAINING JAILS, PENITENTIARIES, ASYLUMS AND POOR HOUSES. IN MY JUDGMENT, A BUSINESS WHOSE CONSEQUENCES LEAD TO SUCH RESULTS IS WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF A PUBLIC NUISANCE, AND THEREFORE AMENABLE TO THE STATUTE UNDER CONSIDERATION."

INDIANAPOLIS, May 9.—News has just reached this city that the boards of County Commissioners in Morgan and Fountain Counties, (at Martinsville and Covington) in regular monthly session this week, received applications for saloon licenses and turned them down unanimously.

Each county of Indiana has a board of three County Commissioners, which board receives applications for licenses, and heretofore has always granted them, unless there is a remonstrance filed with the majority of voters in a city, ward or country township.

IN THESE CASES THERE WERE NO SUCH REMONSTRANCES, BUT THE COMMISSIONERS TOOK THE HIGH GROUND THAT JUDGES ARTMAN AND CHRISTIAN WERE RIGHT IN THEIR DECISIONS AND THEREFORE ACTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS CONVICTION.

Applicants for licenses in those two counties must now "lie down" or appeal to judge of the Circuit Court, where THE ISSUE WILL BE SQUARELY MET AND ARGUED ON THE LINE OF CONSTITUTIONALITY OF THE LICENSE LAW.

Morgan County now has eight saloons, all in the county seat, Martinsville.

Fountain County has 34! Four of them sought to have their licenses renewed at this term of the Commissioners.

The first honors for this precedent-making action goes to Morgan County, where on Monday last the Commissioners refused licenses to two applicants from Martinsville.

The cases being up for determination, Frank E. Carlisle, of Mooresville, a Commissioner,

moved that, inasmuch as it was the understanding and opinion of the board that a saloon is a public nuisance, and that there was a remonstrance on file, the board was without authority of law or morals to grant a license to sell intoxicating liquors, and further that if any one should grant a license to sell intoxicants in Morgan County, it should be the Circuit Court and not the Board of Commissioners. This motion was sustained by the other two members, James Blair and S. W. Tackett.

Morgan County Commissioners Upheld by County Attorney.

The commissioners then asked County Attorney Silas C. Kivett for his opinion on the question. Kivett upheld the board and stated: "If the saloon, as an institution, is within itself a public nuisance and inherently dangerous to public peace, public safety and public morals (as, in my opinion it is), then this board has not only the right to refuse a license to conduct such an evil, but it is wholly without authority to grant such a license."

In answer to questions put to him by attorneys for the applicants, Mr. Kivett further said that it was his understanding "that THE SUPREME COURT OF THIS STATE, THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT AND THE COURTS OF LAST RESORT OF MANY OF THE STATES OF THE UNION HAVE ADJUDICATED CASES WITH REFERENCE TO THE SALOON BUSINESS ON THE BASIS THAT A SALOON IS A DANGEROUS INSTITUTION AND IF SUCH IS ITS STATUS, THEN NO RIGHT OF LICENSE CAN EXIST; THAT IT IS A NATURAL RIGHT OF EVERY CITIZEN TO BE FREE FROM SUCH AGENCIES AS ARE INHERENTLY DANGEROUS TO HIS PEACE, SAFETY AND MORALS; THAT NO COURT OR LEGISLATURE HAS THE POWER TO ADOPT A RULE OR PASS A LAW WHICH ANNULS THIS NATURAL RIGHT; THAT NATURAL LAWS ARE SUPREME, IRREVOCABLE AND UNCHANGEABLE — WHOLLY BEYOND THE POWER OF LEGISLATURES TO REPEAL, MODIFY OR AMEND—BUT FROM THE VERY BASIS UPON WHICH SOCIETY RESTS, NATURAL LAWS MUST BE HELD SUPREME. It would shock all sense of modesty if a law should be passed authorizing and directing this board to grant to certain men, on the presentation of certain credentials and the payment of a fee, a license to commit acts of public indecency on the streets. Even the most hearty supporters of the saloon would not hesitate to condemn such a law and proclaim its invalidity as being against the common right, and, to my mind, the evils inseparable with the sale of intoxicating liquors, perhaps by long custom more easily endured, are by far more dangerous to society than the case suggested, and hence deserves like condemnation, and I can not advise this board that there is any law empowering it to barter away the rights of citizens to be free from things in their very nature dangerous to their peace and safety and the well-being and good morals of the community."

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

As already announced, June 30th is to be Sunday School Anti-Cigarette Day. Each Sunday School Superintendent should be interviewed and won to an effort to observe Anti-Cigarette Day. Try to have the Anti-Cigarette Program prepared by our Department used in every Sunday School. Furnish the Sunday School with all needed supplies. This will be a wise and good investment of the funds of the Local Union; though we recommend, also, that Sunday Schools purchase their supplies. The afternoon of June 30th should be devoted to an enthusiastic Anti-Cigarette Sunday School Rally, with a program of interest in which representatives of each Sunday School shall have part. Mrs. Stella B. Irvine has prepared a new Anti-Cigarette Rally Program, which will be easily arranged, and we believe very effective. Offer a prize for the best essay on "Why Sign the Anti-Cigarette Pledge?" Have the essay read and the prize awarded at the Sunday School Rally. Superintendents, push the medal contest work in the Sunday Schools. Have at least one contest each quarter, just before the Temperance Sunday. The new Sunday School medal is beautiful.

Enroll the Sunday School workers, including Sunday School teachers on our Department Roll of Honor. Each will receive a certificate and our catalogue of supplies. Send the names to me. Send for programs, etc., to Mrs. Stella B. Irvine, Riverside, California.

Lida Outland,
State Supt. S. S. Work, Upland, Ind.

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All moneys for whatever purpose, including the Hadley Industrial School, must be sent to Miss Clara M. Sears, the Treasurer, whose address is given above.

Flower Mission Day, June 9th.

Temperance Rally Day, July 4th.

All Local Treasurers should send reports promptly June 15th to County Treasurers. The County Treasurer should send a Summary Report of all Local Treasurers Reports to the State State Treasurer by June 25th.

MEMBERSHIP DUES.

Every member of our local unions should feel an interest in the collection of membership dues. The liquor men count us by our membership, and that is only from the reports giving the number that have paid dues. Our petitions and our resolutions carry weight with them just in proportion to what number they represent. The Ohio W. C. T. U. with over sixteen thousand members demands consideration. No body of men will turn away from a request sent in by that many women without giving it due consideration, favorable, usually. The Indiana W. C. T. U. with only six thousand can not have the influence that Ohio can have. Now in every Union there are some who would help us by the payment of dues if they understood how greatly we need the influence of each name. We need the influence of each woman! Every name added to our membership means much for our cause. Women! collect dues and thereby help to make the W. C. T. U. of Indiana a more powerful organization. There are few Christian women who will refuse to give their names and their dollar membership fee for our temperance cause. To secure members, district the town, or city, and go out in twos, visit every woman who is not openly in favor of saloons. Tell these women of our great need of their influence in this time of greatest temperance activity in Indiana. If the temperance people gain the victory over the saloon element we must have strong reinforcements. Every woman who will help in increasing our membership during the near future will be definitely helping to hasten the day when Indiana will shake off the saloon yoke. Help! Help now!!

Hon. Charles Eckhart of Auburn, Indiana is one of our best friends. He helps the Prohibition cause and he helps the W. C. T. U. Mr. Eckhart gave \$25.00 in gold to the Inter-Collegiate Prohibition Association for the first oratorical prize.

Kentucky has ninety counties under prohibition and in each of the remaining twenty-five counties there is some prohibition territory. This is the old Bourbon State.

PROHIBITION FOR TENNESSEE.

The liquor business is outlawed in the State of Tennessee, except in the following four places: Nashville, Chattanooga, Memphis and LaFollette, a small mining town in the mountains of Eastern Tennessee.

Clinton County Institute was held at Mulberry. Mrs. Trego was present. Of her Mrs. Hattie Steckel says: "She is a splendid all round consecrated W. C. T. U. worker. She did our Union and our town good. Explained our work along many lines."

The liquor trade is no longer a loosely scattered business with 200,000 individual and independent agencies for the retailing of intoxicants, but a big monopoly with \$500,000,000 of vested capital interests, with greater political power than any three of the other so-called trusts, and a grip upon organized vice, corruption and crime, which once broken by its own legal destruction, would more surely tend to the purification of politics and the redemption of American manhood than all other moral endeavors now being carried on, the church alone excepted. That is the situation today and the Prohibitionist is confident that the hour of final victory for the greatest moral reform of modern history is already sounding in our ears.

The State Prohibition Oratorical Contest was held in the college chapel at DePauw University on May 3d, at 7:30 p. m., with a fair audience. There was a big delegation from Taylor University; smaller delegations from other colleges. Invocation by Rev. J. F. Hoagland, who prayed specifically for the speakers and the cause they represented. The speakers and subjects as follows: "Conspirators Shall Not Rule," Wm. D. Leekens, Valparaiso; "America's Coming Crisis," A. B. Kenna, Taylor University; Gustave Noelscher, Earlham; "The Eternal Solution of the Liquor Problem," A. R. Gephart, De Pauw; "Why Swallow was Defeated," Lloyd M. Crograve, Indiana University. Excellent music was furnished, among which was a vocal solo by Mr. Lawrence Oulay and violin solo by Mr. Ross Baker. While the judges were out Mr. Nattkemper, a DePauw student, who won the diamond medal at our State Convention at Columbus, gave a humorous reading. The prizes were in gold; first, \$25.00; second, \$15.00; third, \$10.00; The first was won by the Earlham man, second by DePauw and third by Taylor University. The local arrangements were in charge of the DePauw Prohibition League, J. Raymond Schmidt, president. During the State Conference, of which this oratorical contest was the closing, Mr. Schmidt was elected state president of the Inter-Collegiate Prohibition Association. Mr. Schmidt is an earnest, energetic young college man, of whom Indiana has reason to be proud.

The Mid-Year Executive Committee emphasizes reports and reporting. Mrs. Potter, superintendent of Rescue Work, also tendered her resignation and the department was left vacant the remainder of the year.

Moved by Mrs. Retta Jones, that we as a State W. C. T. U. ask for municipal suffrage at our next Legislature. A hearty unanimous vote was given to this recommendation.

The subject of final reports was introduced by Mrs. Cammack-Gibson by the following motions: That advance sheets of the superintendents' reports be printed previous to the State Convention, and that the reports be in the hands of the recording secretary by the 25th of September, was indorsed; as likewise the following: That superintendents make a summary of the work done in their departments at the close of their reports.

Miss Woodard handled the subject, "Making a State Directory," in a very helpful way, urging the county presidents to have their unions hold their elections early in the year, (first meeting in September) and send names of officers immediately to the corresponding secretary; and also that counties hold their conventions before State Convention and report officers and superintendents.

RAILROADS.

There are nearly half a million miles of steam railways in the United States, and over 1,200,000 employes in connection with those railways; and the mileage of the roads of the country is all the time increasing. And besides the steam railway, there is the electric car lines; 500 miles of surface street car lines in New York City alone. Then with the postmen, policemen and firemen of the country, your mind can grasp that a great work can be done through this department, touching the lives of so many hundreds of thousands of earnest workers.

In some places free reading rooms and libraries have been opened, where railroad men can go and pass the time when "off duty," when otherwise they would have no place but in the saloon—these places always being ready and anxious to receive them. During the past year, Kansas

City, Mo., has opened one of these havens of rest and good influence. This one, besides having a free reading room, has bath, waiting, lunch rooms and room for games. The building has cost \$2,000, but it is all paid for, and since opened, a few months ago, the library has been visited by 300 cattle men, 400 railway men, 100 wayfarer men and boys, and others. The dear, faithful women are running it in opposition to the seven saloons that are about it. One day a man said to the superintendent, "that he had been shipping cattle to Kansas City for the past seventeen years, and that this "Willard Free Reading Room" was the first door that had been opened to him, outside of the saloon;" and then he said, "I want to see the women that have done this great work."

In some places drinking fountains have been erected in convenient places, where the street car men can get a drink of pure, good water, instead of going to the saloon, to be refreshed after a hard run.

Many superintendents send invitations to railway men and their families to be present at special services, and these services are usually well attended. Several State Superintendents report "the interest is growing in this department."

TEMPERANCE LITERATURE.

Dear Editor—Please state in your paper that I am requesting every National Officer and Superintendent of Department Work, every Evangelist, Organizer, State President and Superintendent of Temperance Literature, and through them, every Local Superintendent of this department in the Union to observe Neal Dow's birthday, March 20th, as Union Signal Day, by holding a public meeting and by striving as did that great and good and wise man, to flood their State knee deep in Temperance Literature.

I have asked, that if they had received a blessing this year, to send to my associate in office, Miss Addie Austin, The Silversmith Building, Chicago, for Miss Anna Gordon's book, "Toots and Other Stories," and to give it to some little child. If they could do no more than to send out one leaflet where it might do good, or to send thousands to hotels, lumber camps, lodges, saloons, clubs, depots, parks, sanitariums, reformatories, reading and rest rooms, schools, pulpits, S. A. Camps, churches, hospitals, public meetings and Sunday Schools. Asking that God will bless a service done in His name for temperance and prohibition. Yours with love,

MRS. MAE A. DAVIS,

1115 Montana Street, El Paso, Texas.

Artman Decision.—It will be good news to prohibition and temperance workers everywhere to know that the famous decision of Judge Artman, of Indiana, declaring saloon license unconstitutional has been printed as a United States government document, and is now available as such from the public printer at Washington. It is "Senate Document No. 384, 59th Congress, 2d Session," and its title page shows that on motion of United States Senator Jacob H. Gallinger, on March 2, 1907, the Artman decision was "ordered to be printed." This is in itself a notable achievement. "Senate Document No. 384, 59th Congress, 2d Session, ought to be in great demand.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

June 30th will be Anti-Cigarette Day in the Sunday Schools of the United States. This is in accordance with the request made by our National Superintendent of Anti-Narcotics, Mrs. E. B. Ingalls, and also by the appointment of the Temperance Department of the International S. S. Association. The plans outlined by the S. S. Department are as follows: Let a special committee interview each S. S. Supt. presenting the Anti-Cigarette Program for the S. S. hour and offering assistance. Confer also with Temperance Secretaries and tactfully suggest plans for Anti-Cigarette Day. Let unions furnish all the needed supplies. Send to Mrs. Stella B. Irvine, 115 Walnut Street, Riverside, California, for the S. S. Anti-Cigarette Budget of "Helps;" price, 15 cents. Circulate Anti-Cigarette Pledges and such literature as will cause an "arrest of thought." Plan for a S. S. Anti-Cigarette Rally in the afternoon, using the program prepared by Mrs. Irvine, entitled "The Anti-Cigarette Warfare." Each school can be represented on this program. Announce and advertise the rally, stirring the hearts of the people by printed articles in the local papers. Offer a prize for the best essay on "Why Sign the Anti-Cigarette Pledge," and have the same read by the writer at the rally. Report the work done to your County and State Superintendents of the S. S. Dept. Beloved White-Ribboners, the call comes to you for service. June 30th, Anti-Cigarette Day for the Sunday Schools, affords you a wonderful opportunity—will you not seize it? All the "tools" needed for this work will be found in the "Budget" above mentioned, and also new, illustrated and very attractive Anti-Cigarette leaflets. Let us equip ourselves and begin at once to plan for the observance of Sunday School Anti-Cigarette Day.

THE MESSAGE.

INSTITUTES.

The Whitley County Institute was held at Churubusco. The Institute opened with the County President, Mrs. Pressler in the chair and Mrs. Retta Jones as leader. Reports were given of some special temperance work done in the county; some of the county superintendents also gave very good reports of their work. The State Program was used through the entire session of the Institute, with only one exception, "that of holding a contest in the evening." Many subjects were discussed that were very interesting and instructive. The question box brought many questions before the Institute, which, with their answers, convinced many that suffrage should be given to women. The lecture on Thursday night, April 18th, was well attended. Mrs. Jones presented many thoughts on the subject of "Social Perils" and proved that the greatest of all are impurity and intemperance. The subject for the second night was, "Why Disfranchise the Women?" This was a grand address given by Mrs. Retta Jones. The recitations, songs, solo, quartette and instrumental music were all very good.

MARY M. COULTER.

The Mooresville W. C. T. U. entertained the Morgan County Institute April 22d and 23d, which was said to be the best institute ever held in this county. With two such loyal leaders as Mrs. Bettie Adams of Morgantown, our county president and Mrs. Rose Pierce, state superintendent, as our leader, our institute could not have been otherwise than a grand success. The attendance was good and a greater interest was shown than was ever known in this county. Our white ribbon women in Mooresville are greatly encouraged and have renewed courage and hope to press onward and upward in this grand work God has given us to do. Our superintendent of Flower Mission is planning for a public entertainment in the near future to secure friends to carry on the Flower Mission. Our baby contest was greeted with a crowded house and was a success in every way. We have been asked repeatedly to hold another, which we hope to do soon. Little Doris Lietzman, who won the medal, was only six years old. The following poem she recited was written by one of our white ribbon sisters, Mrs. Dora Dresslar:

A HAPPY HOME.

Now friends you have heard this story
And Oh! could it be more sad?
Listen, now I will tell you another
Which will make your hearts more glad.
I have the bestest papa
That ever you did see,
He loves mamma more'n a bushel,
And they both love me.
He brings me all the good things
Every time he comes,
And he never scolds and snaps at me,
Like the papas who drink rum.
To the serpent in the wine glass, he says,
"No!"
And stamps it to the ground,
"I'll never be a brute for you!
But I'll be a man all round!"
Oh we love each other dearly,
And we have the happiest home,
Just let me tell you the secret,
Cause my papa don't drink rum.

Morgan County Institute at Mooresville—The Woman's Christian Temperance Union held their annual institute at Mooresville, April 22d and 23d, conducted by Mrs. Rose Pearce. Mrs. Bettie Adams, President of Morgan County, opened the first session, which convened at two p. m. Monday. Mrs. Alice Burke gave the address of welcome, which was responded to by Mrs. Pearce. Some good papers were read and recitations given; these with the business consumed the time. Much interest was shown along all lines of temperance. A silver medal contest at night closed the exercises for the day; Miss Gentry of Mooresville, being the minner of the medal. The second and third sessions were brim full of enthusiasm. Several ministers and citizens of the town being present, all of whom took part in the afternoon session. Great interest was manifested at every meeting, and this proved the best institute in attendance and interest ever held in Morgan County.

Mrs. Bessie Grove, Press Reporter.

The Dearborn County Institute was held in the M. E. Church, Dillsboro, Indiana, with a good attendance. We had the pleasure of having our State Treasurer, Miss Clara M. Sears, with us. She ably assisted our dear County President, Mrs. Rynerson, and the rest of our officers in carrying out the program. We had a number of excellent papers. Prof. J. H. Roubust on "The Boy and the Cigarette;" Rev. A. A. Helms on "Evils of So-Called Patent Medicines;" Rev. V. B. Hargitt on "Licensed Evil; a Violation of the Purpose and Spirit of the Law;" with a number of other good papers read. Many good things were helpfully discussed. The Medal Contest was fine. Miss Mamie Vinson, of Dillsboro, receiving the medal. The address by Miss Clara Sears the second evening was very good. So in all we feel we have had a very helpful institute and the hospitality of the good people of Dillsboro will long be remembered.

Mrs. Emma Wernke.

Wells County Institute was held March 28th and 29th, in the First M. E. Church, of Bluffton, with our dear sister, Mrs. Cammack Gibson, as leader, who with her store of knowledge was ever ready to answer our many questions, and give information on many subjects. Rev. Harrington, pastor of the Christian Church, Bluffton, was present and gave us much encouragement by his presence and the many good things he said. He is a thorough voting Prohibitionist, therefore his heart is in the work. A number of other Prohibition brethren were also in attendance. The first evening there was a grand gold medal contest, with six contestants. The winner of the medal was a young man, one of Wells County's enterprising school teachers. Friday evening we went to the Mission, where we were greeted by an enthusiastic crowd, and listened to a very able discourse by the leader. He urged us on to greater activity in the cause we love so well. Many beautiful flowers were donated to our use by the Myers Green House, among them a beautiful bouquet of white carnations. These were all taken to brighten the rooms of the sick of the city.

The Bartholomew County Institute was held in the U. B. Church at Orinoco, May 9th and 10th. State President, Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, leader, who is now a resident of our county. There was a large and enthusiastic audience at both evening sessions. Thursday evening Mrs. Vayhinger gave her lecture on "Why Disfranchise Women Citizens," in a forcible manner. The following ministers assisted with the program: Revs. Harlow, Haley, Hyde and Neal. The session closed Friday evening with a gold medal contest class from Hartsville, prepared by the County Contest Superintendent, Mrs. Minerva Cummins, of Hartsville. Miss Pearl Clap won the medal. There was a silver offering of \$10.00 taken, and a gain of twenty-five new members during the institute, three being honorary members; twenty-one members going to the Orinoco Union, which gives it a membership of thirty-one active and four honorary members. The union was organized last September. We already feel the effects of Mrs. Vayhinger's residence in this county, there being a general awakening of temperance sentiment.

Miss Birdella Brown,
Columbus, Ind., R. F. D. No. 1.

The Benton County Institute met in Oxford April 25th and 26th. It opened Thursday afternoon with devotion by Miss Phoebe Kolf of Oxford. The institute was greeted in a pleasing manner by the County President, Mrs. Amanda Smith, after which the State Organizer, Mrs. Rose Pearce, leader, took charge. Mrs. Petree led in a discussion on "How Best to Push the Work." Mrs. Pearce occupied the rest of the time in answering questions on our new laws, and how best to enforce them. Mrs. Pearce lectured in the evening on general lines of temperance work. Owing to the cold, disagreeable weather Thursday, the audiences were not so large as was hoped, but Friday made up for our disappointment as the members from Otterbein and Boswell came on the early trains and all spent a very profitable and interesting day. Rev. Miller, of the Free Methodist Church, gave a most interesting talk on "Why he is a Temperance Man." He attributed it to his early training in the L. T. L. Mrs. Ella Maddox, of Otterbein, read a paper on "Representative Women of Today." Mrs. Edith Wright of Boswell, had a paper on "Anti-Narcotics," showing that tobacco, as well as drink, punishes the innocent with the guilty. Mrs. Florence Smith's paper on "Why Should a Church Member Belong to the W. C. T. U.?" was full of good reasons why all Christians should belong. Mrs. Laura Hawkins not being present her paper on "Purity in Literature and Art," was read by Mrs. Gwin. The symposium on "The Attitude the Church Should Maintain Toward the Saloon," was introduced by Rev. Gillet of the Christian Church, followed by Rev. Raxon of the M. E. Church, and Rev. Chamberlain of the Boswell M. E. Church, which was very interesting. Mesdames Rowe and Petree conducted the parliamentary drill, which was made interesting by everybody trying. Mrs. Rowe read a paper on "Are the Newspapers of Today Educative in the Best Sense?" An expression was taken as to whether Benton County wished to have the National Convention invited to Indianapolis in 1908 or 1909. Those present were in favor of it. Also much pleasure was expressed at having the State Convention at LaFayette this year. Friday evening a silver medal contest was held, in which eight contestants took part. Robert Metsker, of Boswell, received the medal, his subject being "I and Hepsy." The Glee Club and other musical talent of Oxford, which helped in the entertainment made it a very decided success.

H. W. M.

The Porter County Institute was held in the U. P. Church at Hebron, on May 2d and 3d, with Mrs. Rose Pearce as leader. She instructed us along all lines that were helpful and did us much good. Our county president was with us and represented the Valparaiso Union. Many interesting papers were read and discussed, all of which inspired us on to nobler efforts. A silver

medal contest was held the evening of the 2d in the largest church in town, which was filled to overflowing, showing the interest in our work in the community. In our contest were five girls and two boys. The medal was won by Opal Wright, a girl of Hebron, speaking "The Deacon's Sermon." Mrs. Pearce in a pleasing speech presented the medal and explained the different steps in the work. Many members were added to our list as the result of our county institute.

ELIZABETH RICE.

The Jefferson County first annual meeting and county institute was held at Dupont, Ind., May 2d and 3d, and was a grand success, conducted by our County President, Mrs. G. W. Augustin, with our beloved State Treasurer, Miss Clara Sears as instructor. We all voted her a host in herself and want her again. We had a fine attendance and an exhilarating and helpful session. Gained seven new members; six for Dupont and one for North Madison. The papers read are being published in the Madison Daily Democrat. Quite a number of subscriptions were obtained for the periodicals represented.

Mary C. Douglas.

Presbyterians See Cheer in Current Prohibition Progress.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, May 18.—In its annual report to the Presbyterian General Assembly the Permanent Committee on Temperance declared that current events were full of encouragement to the prohibition reform. Continuing the report said: "One-half of the area and more than one-third of the population of the United States is now under prohibitory law. The attitude of science, industry, education, religion, journalism, sociology, law, labor, capital, business, economics, art, literature and general public sentiment all prophecy the overthrow of the liquor traffic."

FROM MRS. STANLEY'S NOTE BOOK.

I am glad to report fifty new members from my recent trip north. I spent two days in Argos and the country near by. Had good audiences and all the churches were full of enthusiasm. They had just had an unjust decision by the courts, which defeated their remonstrance, and therefore the people were eager to hear the gospel of Prohibition. Mrs. Shedd joined me there for a county campaign. We went to Plymouth, Culver, Bourbon, Gilead and Bremen, and found the local unions all on the surface and many of them in fine fighting trim. I spent the Sabbath at South Bend, where Mrs. Fassnacht had plans well laid for her county. We went to Mishawauka Sabbath morning, where Rev. Travis had a fine audience for us. The women there are anxious for organization. The afternoon and evening were spent in South Bend. The forces there have decided to move against their saloons under Judge Hartman's plan. Sabbath afternoon I addressed the Y. W. C. A., and the M. E. Church in the evening. The meetings at La Porte, Valparaiso, N. Liberty and Knox were small on account of the rains, but withal enthusiastic. The offerings to the State Fund were as follows: Bremen, \$5.18; Argos, \$5.20; Plymouth, \$1.57; Culver, \$6.50; Bourbon, \$5.00; Gilead, \$3.31; Mishawauka, \$10.50; South Bend, \$7.15; La Porte, \$1.89; La Porte, later, \$1.11; Valparaiso, \$2.15; N. Liberty, \$1.95; Knox, \$2.36. I was called to Bloomington last Saturday by the Temperance Committee of the Friends' Church. Had three fine audiences. Our dear little De Ella Leonard is pastor of the church there. She will help our cause in Parke County. The victory is ours.

Elizabeth T. Stanley.

The April meeting of the Carmel W. C. T. U. was held at the M. E. Church on the afternoon of the 18th. The subjects discussed were of special interest to mothers. Mrs. Mattie Cox, county superintendent of Mothers' Meetings was present, and addressed the meeting on the subject of "Mothers Responsibilities and Duties." A cradle roll was organized with an enrollment of thirteen. After adjournment refreshments were served, and quite a number of visitors being present a social time was enjoyed during which three new members were enrolled.

EVA JESSUP, Press Supt.

The LaFayette Union of the W. C. T. U. gave a very successful silver medal contest recently, and under the management of Mrs. I. S. Wade. It was a class of little girls from ten to fourteen years of age, and their skill in this work was quite pronounced. Miss Henrietta Meachens being the winning contestant. There was a good audience and was a financial success. This union expects to give another contest in a very short time.

Seymour.—The Mothers' Meeting in April at the home of Mrs. J. E. McKinney was a decided success in numbers present and excellence of the program. Mrs. Brook's paper, "Girls and Boys of the Present," was highly appreciated and discussed. Visitors contributed to the program and to the pleasure and profit of all. Mrs. F. H. Hadley, local superintendent of Mothers' Meetings was in charge.

L. T. L. STATE CONVENTION, ELWOOD, JULY
9th, 10th AND 11th.

THE MESSAGE.

FIELD NEWS

Indianapolis Central Union has three L. T. L's. Mrs. Helen M. Gougar is an honorary member of this union.

Temperance Literature is necessary now in every community to counteract the influence of the great advertising schemes of the brewers and the whiskey men. Send for catalogue of temperance literature to Miss Ruby I. Gilbert, 131 Wabash Avenue, Chicago; and send for catalogue of publications to The National Temperance Society, 3 East Fourteenth Street, New York City. Select leaflets and buy enough to help to inform people regarding the use of alcohol and concerning the liquor business.

LaFayette—The Annual Spring Institute of the Tippecanoe W. C. T. U., held in the assembly hall at the Soldiers' Home, was largely attended by the various unions of the county. The program was good. Mrs. Sarah Stevens was unable to attend. Her paper was read by Miss Naomi Jester. "Benefit to be Derived from Entertaining the State Convention?" Mrs. Belle Carver, Mrs. Richardson; Music, Miss Stiltz; "What Preparation Do I Need for Successful Work in W. C. T. U.?" Mrs. Sarah Stevens was the leader of the discussion, Mrs. E. Seoney; "Will the Blind Tiger be Made to See His Way Out?" Rev. Rippetoe; "Help and Hinderances in Department Work," Mrs. Jennie Conn, leader of discussion, Miss Strang; "Study of Indiana's Reform Laws," Rev. Frank Cones; "Building a Living Monument to Frances E. Willard; How and by Whom?" Mrs. Mary George, leader of discussion, Mrs. E. S. Moore; "The Great Awakening; Have You a Part in It?" The subject was ably handled by Mrs. Helen M. Gougar, who took the place of Mrs. Ray Stinespring, giving much encouragement to suffrage workers and other interesting and helpful thoughts. The numbers on the program were all very interesting and were enjoyed by all. A pleasant feature of the day was the dinner served at the noon hour in the dining hall at the home. The spread was prepared by the ladies of the city and was enjoyed by about seventy of the members. The W. C. T. U. has done much good work in the past year. The campaign for the coming year was discussed. The attendance showed the great interest.

Mrs. A. L. Greene.

Fairmount Union will hold a grand rally day on the Fourth of July at the Wesleyan Camp Ground.

Mrs. Mary McVicker organized a Legion of Farrville recently. Both Junior and Senior.

The Lafayette W. C. T. U. held a memorial service for Frances E. Willard at the home of Mrs. C. C. Robinson at 2:30 p. m., Mrs. A. L. Green presiding. The exercises began by reciting the 23d Psalm, after which Mrs. J. E. Chamberlin offered prayer. A short program opened with a solo by Miss Anna Robinson. "The Flower of Temperance Chivalry—Frances E. Willard," was read by Mrs. H. H. Moore. Miss Lucile Brady gave instrumental numbers upon the piano, Miss Henrietta Meacham and two little loyal legioners, Lewis Keilin and Willard Greene, recited pleasing selections. Mrs. C. C. Robinson read our national president's letter, urging the observance of Miss Willard's memorial day. In this way we not only commemorate her grand life and noble work, but in reviewing it we gather inspiration for our own effort in the cause she so bravely championed. At these meetings the free-will offering is devoted to organizing new unions throughout the State and Nation. Refreshments were served at the close of this pleasant profitable meeting.

Local Union Presidents are urged to appoint Superintendents of Railroad Department. All who do so please send the full name and address of the new superintendent to the State Superintendent, who will send instructions.

Mrs. Anna Campbell, State Supt.,
405 Washington Ave., Frankfort.

Mrs. J. F. Brown, a beloved member of Indianapolis Central Union, has been sojourning in French Lick for two years. Soon after identifying herself with the Church and Sunday School she became interested in some boys and girls. Very soon she organized a Loyal Temperance Legion. With the Legioners she has held oratorical contests, which have popularized the work greatly, so that invitations from several points in the county to hold contests have been accepted. There are fifty members in the Legion. This Legion is the only temperance organization in French Lick or in the whole of Orange County. This wonderful woman, for such she is, surely is worthy to be the daughter of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Clark, of the Patriot Phalanx.

The Steuben County Institute was held at Angola, with Mrs. Retta Jones as leader. From the Angola Magnet we quote from the report of Mrs. Smith, County W. C. T. U. President: "The first two meetings were largely devoted to reports from the various officers and superintendents, and many helpful suggestions were brought before us as to necessary preparation and planning in order that success may crown our efforts

in the future. Father Delaney spoke briefly and to the point on social purity. The army canteen was discussed.

"The Gold Medal Contest in charge of the county superintendent of contest work, seemed to be the greatest attraction. The contestants were well drilled, and all deserve honorable mention. The medal was awarded to Miss Madge Cleckner, of Pleasant Lake. Instructions given as to the best way to conduct a Legislative campaign. Temperance in the Sunday School was discussed. The question box for the department of franchise was the cause of spirited discussion. Licensed evil, a violation of the purpose and spirit of the law, was presented by Prof. Bailey. The address was a decided protest against license, showing that the law was intended to provide for the general welfare and protection of the people and we have no right to license that which brings ruin and desolation to so many homes. D. R. Best discussed the same subject, explaining the relation of national law to State law, and made plain the truth that when the majority of voters do not want the saloon it must then be a thing of the past. We were made to understand why we should study a digest of state laws, by Judge Woodhull, and learned from him that the licensing of the liquor traffic is an invasion of the rights of the people.

"The Importance of the new Inter-Church Movement for Temperance," by Revs. Knepp and Stauffer brought to our attention the fact that this movement is bringing Christians face to face with things as they are, and as soon as we go forward unitedly in the name of our Master, then the victory will be won. The evening address on "Why Disfranchise Women?" was given by Mrs. Retta Jones. In her gracious way she insisted that the right of franchise must be granted to women, because it is God's plan."

President H. B. Brown, of Valparaiso Normal School, has come out squarely for the Prohibition party. The Valparaiso School now has an annual registration of 5,000 students, being second in size in the whole country to Harvard alone. National Secretary Harry S. Warner, of the Inter-Collegiate Prohibition Association, addressed nearly 300 of the leading students of the institution in Y. M. C. A. Hall, on "The Claims of the Prohibition Movement on College Men."

At Markland M. E. Church was held one of the most eventful and interesting institutes the W. C. T. U. ever held in Howard County. The institute opened with Mrs. Ida Mix, county president in the chair. Devotions were conducted by Mrs. Ida Wygant, county evangelist, after which plans for pushing the work were presented by the various county officers and superintendents. The Hadley Industrial School was represented by Mrs. Retta Jones of Alexandria. She told of the needs of the school and of our duty in caring for those needs. At the noontide hour a very impressive consecration prayer service was conducted by Mrs. Jennie Wooten. After the organization of the institute by the leader, Mrs. Retta Jones, the subject of Sabbath observance was presented and a very able paper by Mrs. Myra Small was read. The discussion was opened by Mrs. Clara Edwards, in which almost every phase of Sabbath desecration was touched upon and mention made of some very definite work done along that line. A solo by Mrs. Bertha Baldwin was enjoyed. A pathetic recitation was rendered by Mrs. Luella McKee entitled "No Room." At night a large audience was delighted with an able address, delivered by Mrs. Retta Jones on the subject, "Why Disfranchise the Women?" The speaker proved equal to the emergency and the subject was viewed from almost every angle. She spoke of the excuses and reasons advanced by those who oppose women suffrage and we think successfully refuted every one. Miss Edith Hillis sang a solo. The principal features of the last day were a talk on "Purity" by Mrs. Luella McKee. The address of Judge A. B. Kirkpatrick on "Licensed Evil as Applied to the Liquor Traffic," was spicy and full of enthusiasm. One of the many good things he said was, that legalized traffic in rum was a national evil and that license, either high or low, was wrong. In closing the judge paid a high tribute to the memory of Miss Frances E. Willard. Rev. Shoemaker of Markland Avenue M. E. Church, spoke briefly on the importance of the New Inter-Church Movement. The speaker divided his time with Mr. Laramore, known as the "Phalanx Man," who spoke for a time on "Out and Out Prohibition." A very enthusiastic talk was given on the subject of "Medical Temperance," by Dr. Baldwin of Greentown. The result of the meeting was an increase of seven new members and an uplift for all the old ones.

Vanderburgh County W. C. T. U., including Central, Frances Willard, Independence and Howell Unions, meets on the last Saturday of every month at the W. C. T. U. rest room, Evans Hall. This is our Temperance Hall, having perhaps the largest audience room in Evansville. The W. C. T. U. occupy the entire front with their lunch and rest rooms. They have been established for about two years, and have been successful from the beginning. Mrs. M. J. Jennes is the superintendent. Our rooms are patronized by sales and business women, school teachers, school girls and shoppers from the city

and smaller towns; also a number of men and boys. We have the daily papers, a piano and couches in our rest room. At our last meeting Mrs. Jennes reported there had been fifty for dinner on that day. Last summer we had an emergency tent, with a trained nurse at the Evansville Chautauqua Assembly. We also had a W. C. T. U. day. Mrs. Florence Richards of Ohio, being our speaker. This year we expect to have a tent and Manager Archer has been corresponding with Dr. Anna Shaw, but as yet we are not sure of securing her services. County President, Mrs. Bell Whitney, has successfully conducted a number of medal contests, and has planned for several others, including a gold medal contest. During the year I have contributed a number of articles to the press, but here the work of the local press is impossible. Evansville is the second city in Indiana; they want the news, not columns of essays. Still they are much more ready to give space than formerly. The County Institute conducted by Mrs. Rose Pearce will be held here. Down here in "the pocket of the State" we seem rather remote from W. C. T. U. centers. Sometimes we have felt rather neglected. As all State offices and superintendents are held in the Northern or Central part of the State. The Central Union is one of the oldest unions in existence, dating back to the crusade. At one time it was the largest in the State. Any W. C. T. U. member visiting Evansville should be sure to come to our headquarters. Always open at Evans Hall, corner Fifth and Locust streets.

Zannie K. Pattison,

County Press Supt.

Indianapolis North-East Union is not dead by any means. It is just as good as ever, though not so noisy as it once was. It is still at work with all its might. The meetings are very good, the attendance is excellent and at almost every meeting there are new members added to our list. At the last meeting there were three new members received. Our union observes the different rally days with an interesting program. Mrs. Gipe, our county president, attended the March meeting. Her presence and short address inspired us to greater work and deeper interest.

TILLIE MORRIS, Cor. Sec'y.

Wabash County W. C. T. U. held their institute in April, with a good attendance, and all felt it was a day well spent. Mrs. Cammack Gebson's presence with us was very profitable and acceptable. Her lecture the previous evening was given to quite a large and appreciative audience. The institute closed with a social in the evening at the home of our County President, Mrs. Emma Sullivan. Those who braved the storm enjoyed the evening very much.

LaPorte Union on April 29th was much favored by having Mrs. Stanley at an afternoon meeting in the W. C. T. U. rooms. The ladies served supper. Then through the rain repaired to the M. E. Church, where Mrs. Stanley gave an interesting and very helpful lecture. On May 6th we held our institute with Mrs. Pearce, a former member of our union, as leader. We were all so pleased to have her again with us. The day was beautiful and it was well used. The churches were represented by their pastors, there being four present. One, however, was called away on account of sickness. Everyone seemed interested and the discussion of the different topics entered into with zeal and earnestness. Dinner and supper was served at the W. C. T. U. headquarters. In the evening at the Baptist church Mrs. Pearce addressed an appreciative audience. The coming to us of these estimable sisters has been very profitable.

Mrs. Seth Pease.

The Bremen W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Miller in their regular monthly meeting with about thirty ladies present. The subject for the afternoon was "Good Literature." Mrs. S. A. Knoblock read a comprehensive paper on the subject and many other ladies took part in the discussion which followed. Mrs. Oyler of Warsaw, gave a very interesting talk, which was much appreciated. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Ed. Henry. A special invitation has been given to ladies to attend and take part in the meetings. In the evening of the same day Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, the State Vice-President of the W. C. T. U., spoke to a large and appreciative audience at the Evangelical Church. Her subject was "The Work of the W. C. T. U." Her address was very strong and forcible convincing many people of the good that the W. C. T. U. is doing in our country. At the close of her address nine ladies signed the pledge and became members of our local union. During Mrs. Stanley's short stay she made many friends, who will be glad to welcome her back to Bremen.

PEARL PLATT, President.

IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. Rebecca J. Bulla of South Bend, died March 3. She was a valued member of the Colfax W. C. T. U. She was an earnest prohibitionist—though in common with her sex, was denied the right of suffrage. She was a member of the C.W.B.M. of the First Christian Church and also of the South Bend Prohibition Alliance. Long continued ill health and especially the last few years, compelled her to cease activity along these lines, but a deep and abiding interest remained to the last.

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LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

The thirteenth annual convention of the Indiana Loyal Temperance Legion will convene in Elwood, Indiana, July 9, 10 and 11, 1907. For many months the loyal workers at Elwood have been looking forward to these convention days, working and planning that our stay among them might be one of profit to us. Let us, then, repay them by bringing enthusiasm, both in our numbers and our reports. Let us prove to the good people of Elwood that we have learned to combine the enthusiasm of the college student with the thought and sincerity that comes from our desire to help those less fortunate than ourselves. Let us come into this convention with earnestness and a desire to make it the very best meeting we have ever held, as much ahead of 1906 as 1906 was ahead of all the preceding gatherings. The program will be inspiring—our cheery faces and enthusiasm will be inspiring.

We extend a most cordial welcome to all friends, and especially to our mother, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, to visit any or all sessions of this annual meeting.

Sincerely yours,
(Miss) Edith Hillis,
State President.

(From Associated Prohibition Press.)

Hon. Charles R. Jones in an after dinner speech at a banquet at Evanston, Illinois, May 2d, regarding prohibition victories said:

1. Abstainers.

"Despite some surface indications, which can not hide the actual fact, it may be set down as incontrovertible that there are today millions of total abstainers from alcoholic drink where there were only thousands fifty years back and practically none at all a century ago. Says a well-known authority on this topic: 'A hundred years ago nearly everybody took something. Liquor was to be found on every side-board. Besides the grogshop, every grocery sold it, and no tavern was without it. Freer was its use than water by the human species.' Today there are abstainers in every occupation and walk of life and the milder non-alcoholic beverages have displaced the decanter and the 'side-board' in thousands of lunch rooms, restaurants and private dining rooms.

2. Scientific Teaching.

"Today the laws of the Federal Government in the District of Columbia and in every Territory and the laws of all the forty-five states unite in requiring that America's 25,000,000 school children shall be thoroughly taught the dangerous effects of all alcoholic drink. The fundamental system of scientific temperance education has been developed and completed through the able and persistent agitation of the W. C. T. U., led by Mrs. Mary H. Hunt during the past two decades. Less than twenty-five years ago there was not a single statute on the law-books of any State or Territory making any such provision.

3. Railway Abstinence.

"Less than a generation ago railroad employee" were among the hardest drinkers in the land. Since, 1899, when the American Railway Association, controlling 160,000 out of 200,000 miles of track in the United States, adopted total-abstinence rules for its 1,000,000 men, the movement has extended itself to practically every road in America, with constantly growing emphasis upon both the spirit and the letter of prohibition. These total abstinence rules now apply to more than 1,500,000 men in the service of American railways.

4. Abstinence in Industry.

"No more striking item in our 'net' progress appears than in the pronounced abstinence movement in industry. Within the memory of some men now living, liquor was generally regarded as an essential part of a worker's diet. 'Mechanics and laboring men,' says Dr. Fehlandt, 'were provided with a daily ration of spirits, to which the town bell summoned them at four and eleven, as regularly as meals were provided at other hours. The farmer, during harvest and haying time, kept his help in the field constantly supplied with a bottle of whisky or New England rum. The man who couldn't drink was not supposed to be of much account when it came to hard work.'

"Today, it is quite unnecessary to point out, this attitude openly championed by any business man would be treated with general contempt and ridicule. But the business world has gone much farther than that. The United States Census Reports for 1897-8 show that out of 6,792 employers of labor interrogated 3,527, or more than

fifty per cent now make some requirement as to abstinence, and more than 1,284 of the latter require total abstinence on or off duty. That was a decade ago and this percentage is undoubtedly greater today.

"Labor itself is arriving at the same position. Here is the personal testimony of Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor, in a recent interview: 'Fifteen or twenty years ago, the common meeting place of a labor union, would be a saloon or the room adjoining a saloon, but we changed all that. I would not say that it is now never done, but the whole influence of the Federation is given against it. It was not good for the men. It was not good for the unions. There was more likelihood of violent talk and unwise measures. It hurt the standing of the unions in the community. Hence that is practically done away.'

6. Fraternal Orders.

"Fifty-six out of sixty-four leading fraternal orders of the United States, with an aggregate of over 3,000,000 members, now refuse to admit saloon-keepers and bartenders to their ranks. Such discrimination would have been thought impracticable a quarter of a century ago."

7. Medicine Bars Alcohol.

"A veritable revolution has occurred in medical science within a generation. In an important paper read before the Central Texas Medical Association in 1903, Dr. R. B. Turner states these facts. 'Thirty years ago the dominant principle of the practice of medicine was stimulation. Alcohol was supposed to arouse and support vital forces in disease; hence its universality in the therapeutics of that age.'

"In contrast with this there is now a strong element in the medical profession who have almost wholly discarded the use of alcohol, except in extraordinary cases; National Temperance Medical Associations in both England and America, have been organized led by many of the most distinguished physicians and surgeons now living; several leading hospitals have successfully banished alcoholic remedies from their medical commissary; and now investigations carried on by many of the great insurance companies are emphasizing the startling conclusion of actuaries that teetotalers, as a class, live from twenty to fifty per cent longer than moderate drinkers.

8.—Prohibition Law.

"Such comprehensive progress in social thought, public opinion and scientific and industrial experience has inevitably crystallized in widespread legal reform against the drink traffic. It is sometimes erroneously stated that there was more prohibition territory in the United States fifty years ago than there is today. That is wholly incorrect. Before 1890 there were only nine States in which prohibition had been in actual operation for a longer consecutive period. than a year or two, and in at least half of those States its effective enforcement was never permitted through the alliance of the outlawed liquor interests and the dominant party in power.

"Since 1890, State prohibition has been in operation with constantly increasing success in three States, while county, district, municipal and township prohibition has extended its sway into more than half the entire country, including the almost total banishment of the saloon in ten other States north and south, and large sections in at least twenty of the remaining thirty-two.

9. Uncle Sam vs. Curse.

"By ceaseless educational agitation the United States Government has been prevailed upon to take several historic steps in line with all this advance. Since time immemorial liquor had formed an indispensable part of the soldier's or sailor's ration. By adequate legislation Congress abolished the last official remnant of this custom in January, 1901. The sale of liquor in the Navy has been forbidden since the order of Secretary Long, February 3, 1899. Illinois has just taken the first notable advance step in this line, creating by law, a prohibition district a mile in diameter around the famous army post of Fort Sheridan, thus giving the death blow to the 'outside dive' plague, and setting an admirable example to the rest of the States. After urgent, popular appeal, Congress has abolished the open saloon-buffets for many years the disgrace of the National Capitol Building.

10. Court Hits Traffic.

"No phase of this progress is so notable as the increasingly rapid succession of judicial decisions unfavorable and distinctly hostile to every pretension of the licensed liquor traffic. The epoch-making decisions of Judges Artman and Christian, declaring saloon-license funda-

mentally illegal and unconstitutional, are not based, as might be supposed, on the theoretical logic of the temperance reformer, but are at every point anchored securely upon the highest judicial conclusions of the State and Federal Supreme Courts themselves without an attempt at original or sentimental argument.

11. Church Militant.

"But of greater importance than any or all of these encouraging features, we find that public opinion is today thoroughly abreast of this progress in our great reform, and that prohibitory law and the latest judicial decisions equally find a great people in actual sympathy with their purpose and intent. There will be no reaction due to emotional victories or unbalanced enthusiasm. It is the era of reason and common sense in civic endeavor. But the transformation is remarkable. The church 100 years ago shut its eyes to dissipation in both pew and pulpit. Today practically every church in Christendom stands upon the platform well-expressed in the quadrennial address of the Bishops to the General Conference of the Methodist Church, at Los Angeles: 'The banner we follow in this holy war must bear these two legends: Total abstinence and legal prohibition—total abstinence as the only personal security and the only foundation for effectual help to the 'weaker brother'; constitutional prohibition of the manufacture and sale of all intoxicating liquors to be used as beverages, and the only method yet discovered for any widely effectual and permanently successful war upon the liquor traffic.'

12. Women to Rescue.

"In addition, the White Ribbon Movement, with its 300,000 mothers and home-makers, and its 300,000 young people, and the other powerful temperance organizations altogether represent an organized force wholly undreamed of a generation ago.

13. Press in Line.

"The daily and weekly secular press are publishing more prohibition news and friendly editorial comment monthly than were to be found in the entire prohibition and religious press a decade ago.

14. Saloon Not "Necessary."

"Finally, the developments of the past twenty-four months in law-enforcement, Sunday closing and complete prohibition in various of our largest cities has once for all silenced the boast of brewer and distiller that the liquor traffic is a necessity or a permanent fixture in any center of population, however situated—provided that officials true to their oath of office are once elected, backed by a permanent political organization of the best citizens.

15. The Prohibition Party.

That is the crux of situation today, and the Prohibition party for more than thirty years has steadfastly championed the policy which all experience and necessity now unite in pressing home to every patriotic citizen. What, does some one ask, has the Prohibition party to show for its persistent career of nearly four decades, that it should claim the right to now command the attention of the awakening nation to its principles? What part in all this progress belongs to it. Most certainly it has such right and part. For twenty-five years all the leaders of the temperance reform, with very few exceptions, have been open and are pronounced party Prohibitionists have held more public rallies to further the cause than all other agencies combined.

"The Party Prohibitionists through their publications have furnished at least nine-tenths of all the important data, statistics, argument and educational information on the liquor problem, and at great expense have sent their investigators around the world, to every leading country of the earth to get the actual facts at first hand for every worker in the reform.

"Party Prohibitionists, it is no exaggeration to say, contribute more than three-fourths of all funds annually raised for the furtherance of the battle against drink. A conspicuous recognition of this natural leadership is noted in the fact that when the United States Government last year undertook to enforce the Prohibition law of Indian Territory, it passed over all known deputies and marshals in the field and chose William E. Johnson, a Party Prohibition editor for the job, and inside of ninety days, four hundred joints, backed by the biggest breweries in the nation, had surrendered and their panic-stricken keepers were hustling their illegal wares and fixtures to more favorable climes.

"Well, but what about its actual political victories? A decade ago the party could not point to a single man of any consequence who had

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Temperance Rally Day, July 4th.

Temperance Day, Winona, July 30th, 3:30 p. m.

The Indiana State W. C. T. U. Convention will be held at LaFayette, October 11 to 15, 1907.

W. C. T. U. Day at Bethany Park, August 6th.

The National W. C. T. U. Convention will be held at Nashville, Tenn., in November.

Mrs. Vayhinger, state president, will speak at Spencer on July 4th.

Rev. J. F. Snyder, for fifteen years connected with the Western Chautauqua at Island Park, Rome City, is now connected with the Winona Publicity Department. This staunch friend of the W. C. T. U. and prohibition served faithfully and well the highest interests of Island Park Assembly. On account of the refusal of the railroad company to grant any concessions for Island Park Assembly this year, the work cannot be carried on there as previously. The Winona management have thus been able to secure this able and energetic Christian man with great executive ability.

Any Union paying expressage on five copies of the State Minutes they will be sent them free, by sending their order to Miss Clara M. Sears, State Treasurer, Anderson.

BEER-MAKERS IN NATIONAL COUNCIL PLAN TO EXTEND DEFINITE EDUCATIONAL PROPAGANDA.

Brewers of America in Forty-Seventh Annual Convention Admit Strides of Prohibition, Praise State and Federal Government for Promised "Substantial Recognition" of Business, Propose to Cut Loose From Whisky Interests to Save Their Trade, and Find Consolation in Increased Sales, Aggregating Five and One-Quarter Million Barrels of Product in Past Year.

(Staff Correspondence of the Associated Press.) CHICAGO, Ill., June 22.—More than three hundred leading beer-manufacturers of the United States, representing three times their number,

participated in the forty-seventh annual convention of the United States Brewers' Association, which has just been concluded at Atlantic City.

The convention devoted its attention exhaustively to the remarkable current progress of the prohibition cause, and listened to detailed reports from every State in the Union, where the liquor business is now being threatened by awakening public sentiment.

Brewers in National Convention Admit Progress of Prohibition.

What the leaders of the brewing industry think of the outlook for their business, despite their increased beer sales, is vividly manifest in the following militant call to arms presented by the so-called "Vigilance Committee," and which was afterwards unanimously adopted as the utterance of the convention itself:

"The recent alarming growth and intensification of the prohibitory spirit, as shown in this exhaustive review, call for the gravest concern on our part and point the necessity for a general closing up of our ranks and the adoption of vigorous measures of defense.

"It is only too apparent that the enemies of our industry have more than held their own in the struggles of the past year.

"Emboldened by their victories in the South—victories conditioned by a wave of fanaticism—cheered by their advance in the West and not discouraged by their setbacks in the East, they are planning greater conquests in the near future. Their resources are without limit and they refuse to admit defeat. They are pledged to a war of extermination.

"The friends of personal liberty, of the 'square deal,' of just and equal government, could not ask fairer warning than is afforded by the history of the past year."

The report itself of this "Vigilance Committee" covers more than 10,000 words descriptive of the trials, tribulations and defeats and successes achieved by the paid lobbyists and hired defenders of the traffic in every section of the country. What the "Vigilance Committee" of the Brewers Finds Noteworthy in Various States.

Some of these striking details are as follows:

"Alabama—Our predictions with regard to the prohibition and dispensary movement in this State have been only too literally fulfilled. Our esteemed member, Mr. J. M. Wilzin, of Birmingham, writes us that the Legislature has passed and the governor signed both a County Option Bill and a County Dispensary Bill.

"California—Through courtesy of Mr. J. G. Phillips, acting secretary, we learn that the Brewers' Protective Association of San Francisco, have been successful in their fight against Sunday closing, the Council passing the requisite ordinance on March 17th.

"Colorado—Mr. A. J. Zang of Denver, reports briefly as follows: 'The Legislature, which has just adjourned, passed a Local Option law permitting any voting district or precinct to vote upon and decide the liquor question. We tried our best to defeat this measure, but were handicapped by having a Methodist preacher for governor, backed up by woman suffrage.'

"Delaware—Our zealous citizen, Mr. Harry W. Stoeckle, of Wilmington, writes: 'The recent Legislature passed a bill providing for special election on the question of 'License or no License,' to be held throughout the entire State in November next. Governor Lee has signed the bill.'

"Georgia appears to have found herself directly in the swath of the late temperance tornado. Within the past three months two large towns have voted liquor out.'

"Idaho—Mr. John Lemp of Boise, kindly advises us: 'At its recent session the Legislature passed a Sunday closing law for the whole State.'

"The people of Illinois have lately been receiving much enlightenment as to their foolish and antiquated laws from the United Societies for Social Self Government. Nothing more useful in the line of popular education was ever undertaken. The Societies represent a voting strength of 150,000 and have the backing of the Federation of Labor.

"Indiana—Judge Artman of the Circuit Court of Lebanon, has made a sensational bid for fame by deciding that the state has no more right to license saloons than to license gambling.

"Iowa—Many bills adverse to our industry were introduced at the late session of the Legislature, but most of them failed of passage. A bill prohibiting saloons within one mile of any military reservation was passed.

"The high tidal wave of anti-saloon fanaticism which swept over the south made itself strongly felt in Kentucky. At present there are thirty-two 'wet' counties and eighty-seven 'dry' counties, a gain of twenty-five counties for the Prohibitionists since the enactment of this law. There are still pending twelve elections to be held within the next two months.

"Massachusetts—Somewhere about twenty bills affecting the liquor interests were introduced into the Legislature this year, several of which were particularly dangerous.

"I AM HAPPY TO REPORT THAT WE WERE ABLE TO DEFEAT ALL THESE MEASURES AND THE OTHERS WHICH ARE NOT REFERRED TO HERE SPECIFICALLY WERE KILLED IN THE COMMITTEE.

"South Carolina—After fifteen stormy years, checkered with fraud and scandal and marked

by agitation so violent that it was more than once threatened to break into civil war, the famous—many say infamous—Couth Carolina Dispensary has been formally abolished by act of the Legislature.

"Texas—These figures indicate the progress of local option in Texas; under local option 102 counties out of 230.

HELEN M. GOUGAR DEAD.

Noted Indiana Temperance Agitator Dies Suddenly of Heart Disease.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., June 6.—Mrs. Helen M. Gougar, one of the leading temperance workers and woman suffrage leaders in the United States, fell dead of heart disease, this morning, at her home in Columbia Street, this city.

Mrs. Gougar had just arisen from bed and was in the act of dressing when she told her husband that she was very ill. He arose to assist her, but she fell dead on the floor. Mrs. Gougar had suffered attacks of heart trouble, but she was in her usual health last evening.

Mrs. Helen M. Gougar was one of the most remarkable women in Indiana, and was regarded as one of the most effective orators in the middle West. She participated in political, temperance, religious, union labor and woman suffrage movements, and in every one her executive ability was of great value.

Lectured for Twenty-Five Years.

Mrs. Gougar was the daughter of William and Clarissa Jackson, and was born in Hillsdale, Mich., July 18, 1843. She was graduated at Hillsdale College in the class of 1862, with the degree of A. M., and was married to John D. Gougar, of Lafayette, December 10, 1863. On the great social and philanthropic problems of the day she acted with a courage that startled the boldest men. As an organizer she had few equals. Early in her career she started out as a public lecturer and for twenty-five years she was in lyceum bureau work.

Mrs. Gougar was a firm believer in the system of government in New Zealand and desired the United States to adopt the same kind of laws. Lecturing almost daily, she traveled long distances to fill engagements, which extended over nearly every State in the Union. She also published a newspaper, wrote magazine articles and books and engaged at the same time in temperance and woman suffrage lectures.

Regarded as a Born Agitator.

Mrs. Gougar was recognized as a born agitator, leader and reformer. As an orator she was original in expression, wholly free from affectation and spoke without manuscript. Some of her opponents accused her of being too accrimonious, and in this respect it may be said that when she administered a verbal castigation her words always attracted attention. Many of her admirers termed her the "queen of the rostrum." Her contributions to magazines and newspapers were filled with fearlessness, directness and originality.

Mrs. Gougar was a warm friend of Mr. Bryan and in 1896 she went from coast to coast advocating his cause. She closed the campaign the night before the national election in Lafayette with a rousing address at the opera-house. One of the issues involved in the campaign of 1882 in Indiana was a woman suffrage amendment to the State Constitution. The Republican party favored the submission of the amendment to the people; the Democratic party took the opposite side. Mrs. Gougar entered the struggle with all the energy of her nature enlisted in behalf of the Republican Legislative ticket. At that time she owned and edited a newspaper, known as Our Herald, which had a wide circulation, and through this medium she advocated her cause.

For five years, 1878 to 1883, the temperance people of Lafayette remonstrated against the licensing of liquor. No attention was paid to the remonstrance until Mrs. Gougar interested herself in the movement and conferred with the committee. In the midst of the campaign Mrs. Gougar became involved in a scandal which her friends always declared was a slander without cause. She sued the people who started the scandal, and a judgment of \$5,000 was awarded her.

Mrs. Gougar delivered more than two hundred lectures a year for twenty years. She visited Europe four times studying labor questions of the Irish race under English rule and embodied her observations in books and pamphlets. She espoused the cause of home rule on the platform as well as with her pen. Her most noted works are: "Strange Incidents in One Life" and "Forty Thousand Miles of World Wandering." She had also written many pamphlets on political questions.

Her Last Appearance.

In the winter of 1885 Mrs. Gougar caused to be introduced in the Kansas Legislature the bill granting municipal suffrage to the women of Kansas. She spoke many times before different State Legislatures in the country, and several times was called on to address special meetings of the United States Senate. Her last appearance in public was at the last session of the Indiana Legislature when she spoke before both Houses on the prohibition subject.

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been elected to office on the straight party ticket. Today we have over 1,000 men in office in a dozen States, and members of ten Legislatures who were elected either on the party ticket alone, or in conjunction with independents.

"But of more significance than all else is the growing friendliness among leaders of thought and action with the idea and their appreciation of the supreme need of immediate national political union to oppose and compass the annihilation of the now nationally organized traffic in drink."

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE.

Dear Comrades—The last quarter of our W. C. T. U. year is well underway, and what we do further before final reports are due must be done quickly. Our cause has been gaining ground this year as never before, and our State organization must keep pace with the progress. It is very important for our influence in the State that we have a gain in membership this year. Many Unions over the State have made encouraging gains and are still hard at it trying to win other new members. Shall we not all try with increased earnestness and zeal for our cause to increase the membership of every Union in the State? Hold on to every old member, is possible, and win at least three new ones this quarter.

From the news that comes to me from various parts of the State, I am expecting a fine report from our Superintendent of Medal contests. This department affords us marvelous opportunities to train our young people for temperance and to educate public opinion. In our own community the contests call out people who never attend any other kind of temperance meetings, and no doubt this is true in every other community. Let every union in the State hold at least one contest during this quarter. If any Union in the State is discouraged, I recommend a good medal contest as an infallible remedy for the "blues." Try it this quarter. Mrs. Trego will return to our State early in September, for a four months' engagement. Dates will be made for her first in the northern part of the State. Unions that want her may write to me at any time and I will plan for you when she is in your part of the State.

I would like to know all the dates I am to plan for before I begin to make out her route, so it is not too soon to make your request. Mrs. Trego has done us excellent service, and we are fortunate in getting her to return to the State so soon, as she is much in demand elsewhere.

Let every Union in the State plan to send a large delegation to our next State convention at LaFayette. We all need the inspiration of these large gatherings of our forces to quicken our zeal for the cause. Many delegates attended our last convention for the first time and went home with an enthusiasm that has not oozed away with the passing months. And sisters; by all means go to our great national gathering at Nashville, next November. The expense will not be great, and every moment of the time will be crowded full of good things. One hundred representatives is the very least that should content Indiana in that convention. We want to capture the next convention, or at least 1909, for Indiana. A large and enthusiastic delegation, such as we mean to send, will do much toward winning favorable consideration for our invitation. Begin now to plan to go, or to help send some one from your Union.

Yours to serve,
Mary E. Woodard.

MRS. STANLEY'S NOTE BOOK.

This June will go down in history as a phenomenal one. We have had constant rains where our meetings have been planned and only the great enthusiasm of the people has made it possible to continue the work. I had a fine audience in Franklin County on Decoration Day. Addressed the conference of the Universalist Church in Union County; held two meetings for the Friends' Church, and one for the United Brethren since my last message.

Went to Mooresville on the 11th inst. and found their Union on the boom. They are going to put Morgan County in "benefit night" at the State convention. I also visited Monrovia and Brooklyn Unions—had a small audience on account of heavy rains, but Monrovia had a fine parlor meeting. Young women served refreshments, and at Brooklyn we elected new officers and got ten members to hold the forte.

Morgantown is wide awake. They had a brass band and a fine audience to greet me. They had just held a grand-mothers' contest—the first in the State. They had a grand-mothers' choir also, and they have almost doubled their membership this year. Contributions to State work were as follows: Mooresville, \$1.40; Monrovia, \$1.87; Brooklyn, \$2.52; Morgantown, \$3.71; total, \$9.50. We also secured fourteen active and two honorary members.

I now go home dear sisters and must remain there until God opens the way by sending me a capable house-keeper.

Yours for victory,
Elizabeth T. Stanley.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP.

Dear Co-Workers—No doubt you have your plans all made for the Fourth of July Rallies by this time. I hope so. There is no time in the whole year when the principles of Christian Citizenship can be taught so forcibly as on this day, when everybody feels true patriotism, and the Christian people are anxious to raise the celebration of this day above fire crackers and like amusements that have taken the place of what the day really stands for. I quote from the May Message: "Seek to pre-empt the day for temperance instead of 'foll de roll.'"

I hope you have done excellent work in this department all through the months that have passed. Less than three months remain before my report will be in the hands of the State Recording Secretary, as decided at the Mid-Year Executive Committee Meeting, so that advanced sheets of superintendents reports may be printed previous to the State convention. So please be prompt in reporting to me. Keep full account of all work done in this department. I shall expect County Presidents to report to me, where you have no County Superintendent of Christian Citizenship. In a short time you will receive from me report blanks like printed below. Please fill them out and send to me by September 20th.

Faithfully yours,
Gertrude Fulton, State Superintendent.

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION. Department of Christian Citizenship.

Local Report Blank.

- Name of Local Union.....
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1. No. Christian Citizenship rallies.....
 2. How many church societies have active Christian Citizenship Committees?.....
State plan of work done by said committee.....
 3. What other organizations have held meetings.....
How many?.....
 4. Did you utilize Fourth of July to each Christian Citizenship?.....
 5. How?.....
 6. No. sermons.....No Lectures.....
Parlor Meetings.....
 7. Pages of literature on this department distributed.....Items in Press.....
 8. Has an effort been made to bring about law enforcement against gambling, polygamy, liquor selling contrary to law?....
 9. The same in regard to the social evil?....
Please state work done in this line.....
 10. Has Christian Citizenship been presented at Chautauqua Assembly, G. A. R. Encampment, Old Settlers' gatherings?.....
 11. How many Church societies observed one Sunday in October as Christian Citizenship Day?.....
 12. Give items of interest in regard to the work below.....

Return not later than September 20th.

Mrs. Gertrude Fulton,
State Superintendent.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

My Dear Sisters—The month of roses is again with us and that reminds us of dear Jennie Cassaday and our messages of love and helpfulness to be carried in the fragrance of the flowers, to shut ins from sickness and also those shut in by prison bars. May the Father baptize each one of you for this tender service and give you the wisdom which He has promised. June also reminds us that our year is three-fourths done, only three more months for work before closing up our books for another year. At the opening of this year many said: "It shall be the best!" Has it been? The saloon was never so talked about in Indiana as it is today. As the sarchlight of truth is thrown about it, all the hideousness and blackness of the monster is brought out in bold relief and the people are gathering the pebbles which, when slung by the Davids of the State will sink into the vitals of this giant and mean his death. I am glad you have been in this fight for years, have served, many of you all through the years of unpopularity, have borne the jeers and criticisms, yet remained true to God and right. Many people who used to say, "The saloon is here to stay," since reading of the rapid strides made by the temperance reform the past year, are not so sure about its staying, and are hunting for a seat in some of the numerous band wagons belonging to the many temperance organizations of the State, so as to be in the final parade and join the chorus, "We killed the saloon, way down in Indiana." Many towns and townships are saying to the saloon, "You can not stay in our yard," but there is still a great work for the W. C. T. U. Until our yard is bounded in on the north by Michigan, on the east by Ohio, on the south by Kentucky, on the west by Illinois, the Hoosier State can not do without her white ribboners. May we take as our motto, "We co-

operate with every organization which has for its end the overthrow of the liquor traffic, but we work to make our own organization the greatest power in the State for total abstinence and the prohibition of the manufacture and sale of alcoholic liquors."

Will your county come up in October with a gain of one hundred members? Will your Union be on the honor roll because your subscription list to the Union Signal equals one-fourth your membership?

Yours for service,
Culla J. Vayhinger,
Hartsville, Ind.

GIFTS RECEIVED BY THE W. C. T. U.

Through the executor, James F. Reed, of the estate of the late Mary S. Gates, of Greenfield, Ind., the Treasurer, Miss Sars, received \$100.00 on the endowment fund for the Hadley Industrial School, and \$100.00 for the W. C. T. U. of Indiana, to be used in temperance work.

The State received \$99.34 from Eunice P. Wilson, to be held in trust for the Grant County W. C. T. U. A gift from the late Lucy Baldwin estate of Grant County.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Alexander of Franklin, through the generosity of kind hearts hearts and interest in the work gave \$100.00 to be used for the Hadley Industrial School. These gifts are much appreciated.

Mrs. Don P. Baine, National lecturer and organizer, of Washington, D. C., is doing splendid work in the northern part of our State, filling a month's engagement, returning to the East July 2d. Many new members are being secured and paying dues, which means much to local Unions who secure a worker.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 18.—The National Baptist Anniversary Meetings in this city yesterday, completed the first definite organization of the denomination under the name of the Baptists of North America, and this great assembly, representing churches in twenty-seven States and a constituency of 2,000,000 members, then SIGNALIZED ITS HISTORIC ACTION BY UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTING AS THE FIRST RESOLUTION OF THE NEW BODY A MOTION TO ENDORSE AND SUSTAIN THE MOVEMENT FOR AN INTERDENOMINATIONAL TEMPERANCE FEDERATION, which was formally proposed at the Pittsburg Interdenominational Temperance Conference, January 31, 1907.

(The movement for an Interdenominational Temperance Federation to "unite all Christian Churches in aggressive warfare against the whole liquor traffic," was first suggested in an appeal issued by the Permanent Committee on Temperance of the Presbyterian General Assembly, at Des Moines in 1906. In response to this appeal church leaders representing the official Temperance Committee of sixteen denominations representing 15,000,000 church members met at Pittsburg, Jan. 31, 1907, and drew up an outline basis for such a National Federation, to be closely affiliated with the "Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America," which was unanimously adopted. This proposal was to become valid as soon as approved by the churches represented in the conference.

WHY NOT A WHITE RIBBON DAY?

By Mrs. E. M. Pearce, in Pennsylvania W. C. T. U. Bulletin.

In our public schools we have "Longfellow Days," "Whittier Days," "Lincoln and Washington Days," why not a white ribbon or Frances Willard Day? Miss Virginia McQuiston, a young, enthusiastic teacher in the Saltsburg, Indiana County Schools, asked this question, and solved it for herself by having it.

For her annual visitor's day she wrote a little play called "The White Ribbon," in song and dialogue. Many patriotic features were introduced. The States represented, especial recognition being given the original 13. There were fairies, a children's play would not be complete without them—the fairies of the "red, white and blue," and these added much to the pretty spectacle, but the coming of the "White Ribbon" sprites, two little girls, literally covered with white ribbons, bearing in their hands the gift of the "white ribbon" for each state, and receiving its pledge, aroused the enthusiasm of the audience, and the applause was long and loud. The final scene showed two score white ribbon streamers waving high in the air as little arms could reach, while sweet child voices in song pledged the young singers to work for "God and Home and Native Land," and over all the sweet face of Frances Willard looked down. At the conclusion, the white ribbon sprites passed among the visitors, giving to each a little bow of white ribbon, and in an instant it became a company of white ribboners, for they were all pinned on, and so worn out on the street.

In this room temperance is taught not only from text books, but an effort has been made to secure the written pledge of each pupil to total abstinence. That she might not exceed her prerogatives as a teacher, Miss McQuiston had each pupil carry the pledge card home, show to parents, and if consent were given to signing, it was so returned.

FIELD NEWS

Keystone W. C. T. U.—Contest work is being very successfully carried on under the Superintendency of Mrs. Sabrinna Black. Early in May the second Matrons' Silver Medal Contest was held, in which six contestants participated. The medal was won by Mrs. Olive Deboy. There was a good audience and a liberal collection was taken. The second L. T. L. Silver Medal Contest was held on the evening of May 25th. There were seven contestants, two boys and five girls. The medal was won by Miss Vemes Walter, one of our Junior L. T. L. girls. The W. C. T. U. and L. T. L. of this place are both flourishing and much good is being accomplished by them.

Mrs. O. E. Hagler, Press Supt.

The Campbellsburg Union held their Grand Gold Medal Contest on the night of May 23d. A large crowd was in attendance. The speakers acquitted themselves with honor. The medal was given to Mrs. Blanche Batt. The door receipts amounted to \$18.50. Our County Institute should have been held at the same date, but for some unknown reason our leader, Mrs. Pearce, failed to meet with us.

Mrs. B. H. Chamberlain.

Seymour W. C. T. U. secured Rev. Edger chaplain of the Reformatory at Jeffersonville, on Sabbath evening recently. The large audience room of the M. E. Church was filled with a most appreciative audience. He said that among the many causes for crime sending young men there, strong drink, either directly or indirectly sent nine out of every ten.

The Decatur County Institute was held in the Presbyterian Church at Greensburg. Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, leader. There was an enthusiastic audience at both morning and afternoon sessions. Mrs. Carrie Meek gave the welcome address, which was responded to by Mrs. Bungle. Mrs. Powers read a splendid paper. Recitations and songs were given. Several ministers and citizens being present, all of whom took part. In the evening a grand address was given, "Why Disfranchise the Women?" by Mrs. Vayhinger. The county was organized with the following officers: President, Miss Mary Gray, Greensburg; Vice-President, Mrs. Nettie Parker, Greensburg; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hester Westport; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Ella B. Wright, Greensburg; Treasurer, Mrs. Ella Smith, Sandusky. (Miss) Mary Gray.

Kendalville L. T. L.—This has been a splendid year for the L. T. L. of Kendalville. Last year the maximum attendance was about thirty, while this year we have reached nearly a hundred many times. We commenced the year with a trolley party, through the courtesy of the T. C. I., and closed with a social meeting, at which ice cream and cake were served. At one of the Stanley evening meetings, one hundred of the children were on the platform, singing "Our Coming Army," "Saloons Must Go," and "We'll turn our glasses upside down." We also gave the L. T. L. Yell. The children are all enthusiastic over the temperance question and will help greatly towards putting out the saloons in our town. Our meetings have been held twice each month, immediately after the W. C. T. U. meeting, and often a number of women will remain to enjoy the exercises and see the children so happy in their L. T. L. work. Every W. C. T. U. should have a healthy, growing child, the L. T. L.

Clark County Institute was held at Utica. Leader, Mrs. Ella Kroft of Whiteland. Visitors were present from Jeffersonville, Charleston and Sellsburg. Miss Henrietta Smith was elected to fill the unexpired term of Miss Spangler, whose resignation takes effect in July.

The work of the institute consisted of papers and addresses and discussion of these, and of methods in advancing the temperance cause. An excellent paper was given on the evils of patent medicines by Miss Lide Spangler. Rev. Grimes of New Albany, discussed the subject of "Temperance in the Sunday School," and Rev. Zugg of Charlestown, the subject "The License Evil Contrary to Spirit and Purpose of Law;" Mrs. Kroft gave a paper on "Woman's Suffrage." All these were much enjoyed and were helpful and hopeful in spirit.

The ladies of Utica showed their hospitality in many ways, and especially by the delicious dinner and supper served. Especial thanks are due to Rev. Baldridge, of the M. E. Church, who was helpful in many ways.

It was intended that a medal contest should be held on the evening of the 28th, but as this was impossible, a mixed program, arranged by Mrs. Knowles of Charlestown, was given. It consisted of music, drills and recitations and formed a pleasing part of the Institute. The Institute was most excellent and helpful.

Mrs. F. R. Zugg, Reporter.

The Goshen W. C. T. U. has experienced a real temperance revival. A series of meetings

were held, in which Mrs. Don Blain of Washington, D. C., a National W. C. T. U. lecturer, delivered three excellent lectures and conducted a parlor meeting. Mrs. Blain attributes the success of the meetings to the loyal and intelligent help of the local women, who prepared for her coming by the use of printers' ink, by personal invitations, by letter and phone. But the Union attributes its success to Mrs. Blain's ability to interest her audiences. She is a pleasing speaker, presenting facts that interest voters as well as women in an attractive manner. She made many warm friends while in Goshen. Fifteen new members were added to our ranks.

Mrs. Amanda S. Kauffman, Cor. Sec.

Dana W. C. T. U. made their annual visit to the County Home, June 6th, and were welcomed by the new Superintendent, Mr. Brown. There were twenty-five inmates in the home and all but three were able to attend the services, which were held in the large dining room. The room looked cheerful with the tables covered with flowers and literature, which were supplied by the Union. After short service Bro. Greenway gave an instructive talk, after which each inmate was presented with a treat of candy, oranges and bananas.

Vermillion County—A remonstrance was signed against the saloon in Helt Township, lately, by a majority of thirty. This puts the saloon business out of this township for two years.

The Huntington County Institute was held in Huntington, with Mrs. Gibran as leader. County President Irene Gart, presiding. The attendance was fairly good, and interest excellent throughout. Three Unions were well represented. All our pastors were invited, but two responded, giving short talks on the suffrage question that was much appreciated. Our county convention is to be held at Warren, when we hope to have a more extended report to give you. Our local Union is still alive and holding on with some good results, for our principles are spreading, and like the Bayan tree, taking root every where. As is our custom, we observed Decoration Day by a visit to Mt. Hope, placing a sprig of evergreen with our card attached by a white ribbon upon the graves of our promoted members, sixteen in all, who lie there and sending the same tribute to our graves in country church yards. We have lost by death and removal several members in the last year. We always remember Jennie Cassiday's birthday by a visit to the County Infirmary, taking literature, fruit, candy, nuts, cake, ice cream (always donated by a local firm), bright pictures and calendars for their rooms, have a short song and praise service, and the inmates I think look forward to our coming with great anticipation. We have two medal contests on the way, and hope to have a more cheering report later. Our letter from home, The Message is excellent.

Mrs. Emily R. Newcomb.

Hartford City Union held its annual all day picnic at the beautiful country home of Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Moore. The morning was spent socially and delightfully. At noon a sumptuous dinner was served, there being fifty-three present. In the afternoon a meeting of the Union was held with an excellent program, consisting of selections by Rev. and Mrs. Naftzger; a select reading by Mrs. Hollingshead; readings by Miss Edna Carrell and Miss Lizzie Hummer. Short talks by Mr. O. K. Moore and Rev. Naftzger, which were much appreciated. Three new members were added. Mrs. J. A. Bedwell.

Huntington County is alive. We have held one institute and two executive sessions; at Roanoke we have gained twenty-two members; we have given our report of the National W. C. T. U. at ten different points, not all in Huntington County. We have arranged to hold a joint meeting with the Prohibitionists, on the Fourth of July. We have fourteen different departments and a County Directory. We also have been asked to report our parlor meeting, held at Warren, at the spacious home of Mrs. John Border. A literary program was rendered, after which, the report of the National W. C. T. U. was given. A call for members, one was added to the list. A fine collection.

Yours for service,

Mrs. Irene Gard.

Campbellsburg Union was organized in April, 1900, after which time it has held the following contests: Silver medal, 9; gold, 5; grand gold, 1.

Indianapolis Central Union held a meeting at the home of Mrs. Mary Moody. After the usual routine was over a special memorial service was held in memory of Mrs. Helen M. Gougar, who was an honorary member. Mrs. Regan opened the service by singing, "Take Up Thy Cross." Tributes were paid to the memory of Mrs. Gougar by Mrs. L. D. B. Cowan, Mrs. Sylvester Johnson, Mrs. Kistler, Miss Malvin, Mrs. Moody and Mrs. McWhirter. After which the president, Mrs. Frances Boyer spoke of Mrs. Gougar being in our meeting just four weeks previous, right there in Mrs. Moody's home, speaking at our request, of her work in our recent Legislature, her bill and efforts for municipal suffrage for women. At this time Mrs. Gougar said she in-

tended to work for suffrage through and with the W. C. T. U.

Bedford Union observed Flower Mission Day with a service at the First M. E. Church, after which bouquets were taken to the jail and hospital, to the Mayor's office, to the editors and to the sick. Many faces brightened.

LaPorte Union received three young lady members at a recent meeting—all of whom are active Christian workers. The Union will be greatly benefitted. On Flower Mission Day bouquets, with scripture text cards attached, were taken to the sick, and to the jail, where a short service was held. Reported by Mrs. Pease.

Terre Haute Union observed Flower Mission Day, which came on Sunday. A wagon was decorated with flags and a number of the Union went out to the poor farm. Going out of town they sang, "Wind the White Ribbon Round the Nation." A beautiful service was conducted by Rev. Nysman, Baptist minister, in which several persons took part. On Saturday members of the Union visited the hospital, street car barns, police station, fire department, Rose and Glen Orphans' Homes. Cut flowers being scarce over 600 artificial roses were made of pink tissue paper. These seemed to be appreciated as some said they could keep them longer. Distributed 150 cut flower bouquets, 550 Scripture text cards, 4,245 pages temperance literature. On Sunday many of the men were wearing the pink roses.

Mrs. J. F. Curry.

Fourth of July at Park—The Tippecanoe County W. C. T. U. will hold a Fourth of July celebration at Columbian Park. An interesting program has been arranged and a delightful day is anticipated. There will be a silver medal contest and speeches will be made by A. B. Kirkpatrick of Kokoomo, Martin A. Quinn and Joseph Gilbert, of the Labor Union of this city. There will be a swimming contest and band music. The following committee is in charge of the day's entertainment: Chairman, Mrs. T. L. Webb, Mrs. Henry Budge, Messrs. Stinespring, Blackstock, Dorwin, Gunkle, C. B. Jamison and Rev. Rippe-toe.

Judge Artman Overwhelmed With Invitations to Speak in Many States.

By unanimous vote the Indianapolis Union Ministerial Association invited Judge Samuel R. Artman of Lebanon to address a mass meeting in that city, Sunday May 12th, at Roberts Park M. E. Church. Judge Artman was in the Baptist Church at Shelbyville in the evening.

Judge Artman now has applications for lectures from thirty-six places in many States, and several offers from lecture bureaus and Chautauquas for every available date, at a price that would turn the head of a less modest and retiring man. But he has refused all these tempting offers, and after being persuaded for weeks, has at last reluctantly overcome his modesty and has placed his entire vacation in the hands of these business men of Indianapolis who brought this suit on which he rendered his now famous decision declaring saloon license unconstitutional, and he will be offered in a series of lectures, at a reasonable fee, the proceeds to go to create a fund to carry all the cases now projected, as well as the three that have been tried, to the Supreme Court of the United States. As the dates are necessarily very limited, those desiring Judge Artman's lecture should at once correspond with C. E. Newlin, 5372 E. Washington Street, Indianapolis, for dates and terms.

A GENEROUS GIFT.

Dear Editor—A recent phone call by Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Alexander, of this place, gave the welcome information of a donation of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for our Industrial School for girls. This is the second generous gift with which Mr. and Mrs. Alexander have favored the school. They have been much interested in the successful school work of two of our girls who have been attending the Franklin High School for the past year and who are expecting to finish the course here.

At the last meeting of Franklin W. C. T. U. there was an expression of gratitude for the generosity of these noble benefactors, whose second gift has followed so closely the generous gift of Mrs. Cybert of this place, at our last State convention.

The trustees believe there are many people of means in our State who would gladly help the school if they were more fully acquainted with its plans and purposes, and with what it has accomplished. Let the members of local unions do their whole duty in giving the necessary information.

Mary Hadley Hall.

IN MEMORIAM.

Lafayette Union of the W. C. T. U. will deeply feel the loss of Mrs. Helen M. Gougar. She was ever ready to respond when called upon to assist in the work. The May meeting was held at her home and Mrs. Gougar gave an address, taking as her subject, "Home Reading for Children." The meeting was for Mothers. Light refreshments were served by Mrs. Gougar. Oh how we shall miss her! We feel that the work will be greatly crippled in Tippecanoe County.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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Ex-United States Senator E. W. Carmack of Tenn., said: "I believe that we may have come to the parting of the ways with the whisky power, and that the time for half-way measures has passed. The saloon has sinned away its day of grace and must be dealt with henceforth as an incorrigible offender against society."

"Whenever it has been demonstrated that any business is essentially injurious to the public morals, the public peace, the public health, or in any way to the public welfare, such business should come under the condemnation of the law."

"The saloon, by its insolence, its arrogance, its persistent lawlessness, has forced the issue upon the people, and the people must meet it. It refuses to be reformed; it must therefore be destroyed. It has proclaimed by its conduct that it would die rather than obey the law. In doing so, it has left but one course for self-respecting and law-respecting people."

The tidings that come to us from Georgia are, indeed, uplifting and inspiring. The State Senate there passed the Prohibition bill by a vote of 33 to 7. Governor Hoke Smith has announced his purpose to sign the bill. The House will certainly pass it by an overwhelming majority, and Prohibition will go into effect in that great State January 1, 1908. The Georgian, the daily paper of which Hon. John Temple Graves is editor, has made a brave and valiant fight for prohibition as was outlined by the Associated Prohibition Press last week. The next Southern State to adopt state-wide Prohibition will perhaps be Mississippi. Then will come Texas, and one by one, there is scarcely a doubt, that every Southern State will in the near future enter the Prohibition column. Georgia will not be satisfied with mere statutory State Prohibition; they will adopt a constitutional amendment forever prohibiting the sale of liquor in the State. The same course will be followed in the other States. Meantime, the new State of Oklahoma is waging a courageous battle for incorporating Prohibition in its original constitution. There is every prospect that the Prohibitionists will win.

Artman Decision Goes Marching On.—The Indiana Supreme Court bolstering of saloon-license last month is already well-nigh forgotten by the great mass of the people, but the Artman decision goes marching on as if nothing to the contrary had been recorded. The latest idea to prove popular Church and Prohibition rallies is to call for a vote of the audience on a resolution endorsing the Artman verdict and predicting its approval by the United States Supreme Court within a given number of years. Here is a news item of this sort just received.

In a remarkable address at the First Methodist Church of Memphis, Tenn., the pastor, the Rev. Lewis Powell, declared that the nation is waiting impatiently for the approval of the Artman decision by the United States Courts, and at the close of the service at least 1,000 of an audience of 1,500 endorsed by rising vote the following resolution: "We are advancing to the point that the Supreme Court of the United States will inevitably pronounce against the liquor traffic, and that such a decree will come within ten years."

In the course of his sermon Dr. Powell said: "The African slave trade, the nefarious gambling, lottery institutions, prize fighting, once had the sanction of law and protection of civil government, but the judiciary of government in Christian civilized lands had adjudged these things immoral and therefore could not have the sanction and protection of the State. The Supreme Court of this nation has also adjudged the liquor traffic inherently immoral and harmful to human interests and has declared that to engage in its traffic is not one of the rights of American citizens. All that remains for the Supreme Court of the United States to do is to advance one step further and in its decision to say that the liquor trade is inherently immoral and harmful to human interests, therefore it cannot be legalized and protected by this State or municipal government, and it will not be ten years at our present rate of progress, in our appreciation and recognition of the immutable law of right, until such a decision is reached and the liquor traffic outlawed. Within ten years there will not be a liquor saloon in Memphis, nor one tolerated under this Federal Government."

"Our indictment against the liquor traffic is that it is an enemy to morality. It is an enemy to religion, to education, to life, to our safety, to our liberty, and an enemy to the happiness of our people, to equity, to justice, and an enemy to domestic tranquility. It is man's greatest

enemy for it is the devil's best friend. It is God's enemy, and in the name of American citizenship, and in the name of high Heaven, we insist that the Supreme Court of the United States should hasten their conclusions and reach a decision which will outlaw this nefarious liquor traffic."

Brewers in National Convention admit effect of reform wave.

ELEVATE THE STANDARDS OF JOURNALISM.

The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union has inaugurated a concert of action for the ethics of journalism, through its department of work for Purity in Literature and Art, of which Mrs. Emilie D. Martin of New York city is World's and National Superintendent. Mrs. Martin writes:

"After fifteen years of organized work, it is an encouragement that the President of the United States would bar from the mails unexpurgated accounts of the particulars of the Thaw case, and that one of the United States district attorneys, Henry L. Stimson, has threatened the papers with criminal proceedings for violation of Section 3893 of the revised statutes regarding mail matter. Attorney Stimson further states that the mere fact that such matter purports to be an account of a judicial proceeding, furnishes no excuse for a violation of the statute in question."

"A leading New York paper, through its officials, recently pleaded guilty to publishing indecent advertisements in violation of the statutes concerning obscene books, pamphlets, pictures, papers, etc.; yet many newspapers received in our homes today are violating these same statutes."

"When such violations are discovered, W. C. T. U. members should call upon the editors or write to them, and induce others to call or write, using their influence for the suppression of that which degrades and demoralizes. When these means fail, bring the matter to the attention of the postmaster-general and the district attorney."

"Where one person reads a book, five thousand read a newspaper. With its telephone annexes, all the world twice a day passes in review. The power of the press should be used to stem the swelling current of details of crime, and advertisements both medical and fraudulent that pamper to morbid conditions."

"An encouraging feature in this fight for purity in the home and society and for the suppression of evil reading is the attitude of the National Editorial Association, expressed in the following resolution:

Resolved, That the National Editorial Association of the United States earnestly sympathizes with the woman's movement for the promotion of purity in literature and art, as tending to maintain the moral standard and endeavoring to realize the prime object of the press—the elevation and betterment of humanity, intellectually, morally, and socially; for the suppression of sensationalism, cruel personalities, and immoral details in the reports of vice and crime, which tend only to degrade the moral standard of the community, often inciting to the re-enactment of the horrors thus depicted; and that we will further endeavor to make the press one of the truest and best friends of humanity by refusing space to all questionable and impure advertising, also excluding from our writings and doings, the untruths and half-truths, which are often more dangerous and often have more of poison than unmasked vice, because of the pure alloy which promotes their circulation."

"The International League of Press Clubs has reaffirmed the action of the National Editorial Association, also passing the following:

"Realizing the important place the press assumes as one of the great educational influences of the day:

Resolved, That it shall be our earnest effort in the future, as it has been in the past, to assist the guardians of the home in their endeavor to send forth from thence such citizens as will guide and guard the best interests of the fireside in every land; as tending to the uplifting of humanity, which leads at last to peace, purity, and truth."

"State and Territorial Editorial Associations have passed resolutions to raise the moral tone of the press. The motto in an appeal to editors or associations should be: 'To exalt virtue above self-interest.' Emerson said: 'The truest test of civilization is not the census or the crops, but the kind of men the country turns out.'"

Resolutions of the National W. C. T. U.:

"WHEREAS, Many of the magazines and newspapers of the day carry advertisements of alcoholic liquors and also other advertisements and pictures which should not be allowed to enter the home; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we choose for our homes, so far as possible, the newspapers and magazines which exclude such advertisements; that we will, however, in a spirit of frankness and kindness, ask publishers and editors to cease to include in their publications objectionable advertisements; moreover, we will remonstrate against such advertisements and pictures being posted in public places, believing them to be demoralizing; and we consider that it is the duty of town and municipal authorities to prevent such displays on bill-boards or in other public places."

"Right thinking by the individual is the basis of a righteous nation. The mind must have the

best nutrition for right thinking. It is timely to consider pure intellectual food as well as other pure food; for 'as a man thinketh in his heart, so is he.' Paper is as patient as Job; it gives back all it receives. The censorship of public opinion relating to trusts, corporations, railroads, and graft, will not hesitate to sound the knell of all that retards the growth of wholesome journalism."

Suggested impurity, through printed word and portraiture, is the parent of impure act, soon reinforced by the fire-feeding alcohol. Thus, the purified journalism of a nation would tend to a temperance of wide and deep character."

Certain Chicago newspapers have recently published articles exposing the evil effected by the low-grade theaters, and condemning these and the "nickel theaters" as corruptors of youth. Very good, thus far. But as proof that there is still something to be accomplished in behalf of purity on the part of these very newspapers, it is to be noted that one great daily, which exposed and condemned a certain infamous "sensational dance," carried, in the very same issue, a theater advertisement of that identical dance! We are fast coming to realize that the advertising columns of a paper should bear some degree of consistency with its editorial policy, and to demand that no part of the publication shall offend against decency. Yet too many purveyors of news and information still permit in their advertising columns what they would not dream of printing elsewhere—words and pictures that are unfit for the eyes of men and women, much less for those of the children who are permitted to see them. Definite, insistent protest on the part of white ribboners will go far towards elimination of the objectionable from the press, and prompt report to the Post Office department of violations of the postal laws regarding impure matter, will go still farther."

We hereby call upon every mother and father reading these words to take counsel with the bravest and wisest impulse of mind and soul, fall into line with every effort of the Purity in Literature and Art department of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and by any means and all means strive to remove the traps that are being set for innocent feet. Feet? Souls! For these are things that bring eternal blight. It is a slaughter of the innocents too deadly to contemplate, and those who, having knowledge of the evil fail to take up arms in defense of the innocents, take part in the slaughter!

Another phase of this work, and a most important one, is what has been appropriately termed, the menace of modern fiction. Popular books, high-class magazines and many of the best weekly publications, contain an appalling amount of free advertising for liquors and tobacco, in the guise of fiction. Let a vigorous protest go from every reader to the publishers of this class of fiction, and it will soon cease to be a marketable product. The evil calls for heroic measures, which should be promptly applied in the form of cancelled subscriptions, should a courteous but unmistakable protest fail of the desired result. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union represents 300,000 homes, and its demand for current literature which shall be free from insidious suggestions for the cultivation of the liquor and tobacco habit, is of sufficient importance to meet with a respectful hearing."

Army Canteen—That institution of evil to our soldier boys must be fostered by some public men in order for them to keep the influence of the liquor element, so necessary for their support at the polls, if they are elected to office. Yes, and too the great dailies must occasionally publish an editorial favoring the canteen, this they do. In order to make the canteen a little more acceptable to the temperance people, it is now asserted in an editorial in a great daily that "it is a notorious fact that the abolishment of the canteen was accomplished by the aid of whisky influence."

NEW LIGHT ON COCA COLA.

Mrs. Martha M. Allen, Homer, N. Y.

There has been much discussion as to the presence of cocaine in the drink advertised under the name of Coca Cola. The company manufacturing this beverage has been very abusive of the writer of this article because she said that if Coca Cola is made of coca and cola, as its name would indicate, it must contain cocaine, because cocaine is the active principle of the coca leaves. Why the manufacturers should

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Indiana W. C. T. U. Convention will be held at Lafayette, October 11th to 15th.

National W. C. T. U. Convention will be held at Nashville, Tenn., November 8th to 15th.

Picnic at Hadley Industrial School, August 8th.

Mrs. Annie W. Clark, president of the Ohio W. C. T. U., died of pneumonia recently, after a very brief illness. Our sympathy goes out to the great White Ribbon host of the Buckeye State in the hour of bereavement. A leader is fallen.

President Roosevelt has sent more messages to Congress than any other President of the United States. Why does he constantly ignore the subject of the liquor business? Our people are spending more than one hundred million dollars a month for intoxicating liquors. Every class of intelligent, thinking people (except those connected with the liquor traffic) agree that the liquor problem is the most gigantic moral, economic and industrial problem that faces the American people. Why is our President silent? Why did Senator Beveridge favor the seating of the Mormon, Reed Smoot, in our greatest law making body, the U. S. Senate? Why did Vice-President Fairbanks invite Mormon Reed Smoot to preside over the U. S. Senate during his temporary absence?

OUR DEPARTMENT OF PURITY.

It seems to us that a timely suggestion to the Unions is demanded. No more delicate nor difficult field of work is included in the broad undertaking of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union than that of the promotion of purity. It begins with the child, continues along young womanhood and manhood, strives to impress its teachings upon parents and matured men and women. Even here the work cannot end but must become more potent by enlisting the aid of the church and the school.

As civilization becomes more complex, we realize the solidarity of every institution, which makes either for the uplift or degradation of the race. Nothing in the social compact stands isolated nor without vital importance to the great moral problems, which we are striving to solve.

The State has an obligation to society and to the home along the lines of promoting purity, which has not been largely felt. Judges and courts do not realize their tremendous power and their duty along these lines. As an illustration, in the city of Indianapolis, recently, a young girl

was met in a restaurant by an old woman; asked to go to her home, was kindly treated for a day or two and then given beer on the third evening, told to keep quiet or there might be trouble, and that night visited by young men. We blush to state so plainly the sad occurrence; and nothing short of conscientious conviction that it ought to be done, would induce us to bring before the readers of The Message such awful conditions. The old woman was tried; the evidence from her was that the girl only sixteen years of age had asked for beer, that she had no knowledge of the alleged happenings, which the girl had confessed and upon this finding the judge dismissed the case against the woman.

In another instance, with details almost as revolting, a young girl was found in a place of evil resort; and, although only a child sixteen, the woman who contributed to her delinquency was fined by Judge Whallon of the Police Court in the paltry sum of ten dollars.

Let our Purity Department superintendents over the State and Nation post up on the law; and especially the penalties for violations; and, if these judges have done the best they could have done, let us demand more stringent measures. Time should not be lost. Get ready for the next session of the Legislature, and see that such laws as we now have shall not be overlooked. The judges and courts ought to know that we expect them to come up to the full measure of their responsibility.

EFFECTIVE WORK.

In many places nothing is done to advance the contest work. Simply electing a superintendent amounts to little unless the person elected is personally interested and seeks the pleasure of having a "good report" at the end of the term. White Ribbons in many places are anxious to multiply Unions, and yet allow the work among children to languish because an utter lack of helpful influence. It is not so everywhere.

Mrs. Fannie E. Wade, wife of the well-known lecturer, I. S. Wade, is superintendent of Contest Work in Lafayette Union, W. C. T. U., and in a short time has given out three silver medals to prize winners, as follows: May 7th—St. Paul M. E. Church, LaFayette. Good class. Fine attendance. Winner of medal, Henrietta Meacham. In this contest Helen M. Gouger was one of the judges and in presenting the medal delivered her last speech. June 24—West LaFayette M. E. Church. Good attendance. Good general program. Prize winner, Lois Jackman, a niece of Rev. A. W. Jackman of Monticello. July 12—West Side M. E. Church. Attendance not large. Interest good. Class of boys. Prize winner, Robert Parsons.

The work will continue until LaFayette Union has six candidates for the gold medal. No branch of the W. C. T. U. work better deserves encouragement from women who don the White Ribbon than this labor among children. Miss Anna Robinson is assistant superintendent, and is energetic in pushing the work.

STATE SUPERINTENDENTS.

Dear Superintendents—At the Mid-Year Executive Committee meeting it was voted that advanced sheets of the superintendents reports be printed previous to the State Convention. Therefore your report must be in the hands of the recording secretary by the 25th of September. It was also voted that superintendents make a summary of the work done in their departments at the close of their reports.

(Mrs.) Gertrude Fulton,
Secretary of Board of Supts., Portland.

W. C. T. U. PICNIC HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, AUGUST 8th.

The friends of the W. C. T. U. Hadley Industrial School are cordially invited to meet in the grove of the Hadley School farm and enjoy an old fashioned out of doors picnic. A good program by the children. We hope to have our State President, Mrs. Vayhinger and Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley with us. Bring well filled baskets; stay all day; enjoy an outing never to be forgotten. Trains leave Indianapolis for Hadley, 7:15 a. m. and 5:00 p. m.; return leave Hadley 9:45 a. m. and 4:40 p. m. Come. We want you to meet the girls and look over the building and farm. Yours for a good day,

Lizzie C. Ham.
Lida Outland.

PRESS SUPERINTENDENTS.

As time carries us on I am reminded that reporting time is drawing near, and am very anxious for a full report. Twice this year I have asked for the names of County and Local Press Superintendents, and but very few responded. To be sure you all read everything in the Message each month, so when you finish reading these lines PLEASE get a postal card, and if you are a County Press Superintendent write your own name and address, and that of your local press superintendents in the county, and if you are a local press superintendent, send your own name and address, and you will receive a blank report. Now, I am not asking much of each of you, but if you fail to respond I can not send you a blank and your work will not be counted

in the annual report. I am sure that much work has been done this year, but our report to the National Superintendent will depend on you dear ones. Again, I repeat it, please send me your names and addresses as soon as you read these lines. I still have some excellent press leaflets which are yours for the asking. Yours for success,
(Miss) Laura Cammack,
Converse, Ind.

MRS. STANLEY'S NOTE BOOK.

I attended the State L. T. L. Convention at Elwood, July 10th. It was indeed inspiring to see the brave young people so full of zeal for our great cause. Oh! that every Union in the State had an active L. T. L. I went to Summitville the 11th, Lapel the 12th, Anderson the 13th, and Muncie the 14th.

The weather was very sultry, but we had good audiences at most places—and men and women alike ready to accept the gospel of Prohibition. I found the manufacturers of Anderson circulating petitions in an effort to move the saloons out of the industrial section of the city, and locate these crime breeders in the business district, where the police force might be better able to "put on the lid," but the business men objected to their proposed neighbors, for they know that every legitimate industry is robbed by the saloon, and they don't want to mar the beauty of their proud city by these plague spots. Muncie is bidding for schools and prap the saloon to move on. Lapel closed her saloons and drove them to Anderson, where they will perhaps do a better business. But the "hand writing is on the wall" and the people realize that the only way to curtail the traffic is by cutting off its head. Donations to State Fund: Summitville, \$3.00; Lapel, \$3.06; Anderson W. and Y., \$2.54; Muncie, \$3.00; Normal City, \$4.70.

Yours for victory,
Elizabeth T. Stanley.

UNITED STATES BREWERS' CONVENTION.

The "Vigilance Committee's" report as follows, was adopted by the convention:

Admit Progress of Prohibition.

What the leaders of the brewing industry think of the outlook for their business, despite their increased beer sales, is vividly manifest in the following militant call to arms presented by the so-called "Vigilance Committee," and which was afterwards unanimously adopted as the utterance of the convention itself:

"The recent alarming growth and intensification of the prohibitory spirit, as shown in this exhaustive review, call for the gravest concern on our part, and point the necessity for a general closing up of our ranks and the adoption of vigorous measures of defense.

"It is only too apparent that the enemies of our industry have more than held their own in the struggles of the past year.

"Emboldened by their victories in the South—victories conditioned by a wave of fanaticism—cheered by their advance in the West, and not discouraged by their setbacks in the East, they are planning greater conquests in the near future. Their resources are without limit and they refuse to admit defeat. They are pledged to a war of extermination.

"The friends of personal liberty, of the 'square deal,' of just and equal government, could not ask fairer warning than is afforded by the history of the past year."

The report itself of this "Vigilance Committee" covers more than 10,000 words descriptive of the trials, tribulations, defeats and successes achieved by the paid lobbyists and hired defenders of the traffic in every section of the country, State by State.

Some Sample Reports.

Here are a few sentences from some of their State reports:

"Alabama—Our predictions with regard to the Prohibition and Dispensary movement in this State have been only too literally fulfilled. Our esteemed member, J. M. Milzen, of Birmingham, writes us that the Legislature has passed and the Governor signed both a County Option bill and a County Dispensary bill."

"Colorado—A. J. Zang, of Denver, reports briefly as follows: 'The Legislature which has just adjourned passed a Local Option law permitting any voting district or precinct to vote upon and decide the liquor question. We tried our best to defeat this measure, but were handicapped by having a Methodist preacher for Governor, backed up by woman suffrage.'

"Georgia appears to have found herself directly in the swath of the late Temperance tornado."

"Kentucky—The high tidal wave of anti-saloon fanaticism which swept over the South made itself strongly felt in Kentucky. At present there are thirty-two 'wet' counties and eighty-seven 'dry' counties, a gain of twenty-five counties for the Prohibitionists since the enactment of this law. There are still pending twelve elections to be held within the next two months."

"North Dakota—The Legislature has passed an extraordinary bill which forbids soliciting for the sale of intoxicating liquors. This law goes into effect July 1st, and, as a consequence, most of the brewers doing business in the State will withdraw their agents."

THE MESSAGE.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE THIRD QUARTER, 1907.

Allen County.	Little Ridge 7.80
Boston (Monroe-ville)\$ 5.85	Fowlerton 3.25
Bartholomew County.	Jonesboro 4.55
Columbus 11.05	Grant 1.30
Hartsville 8.45	Marion Central.. 3.25
Columbus, Orino-co 6.50	Oak Ridge 3.25
	Linwood 2.60
	West Marion ... 1.30
	Aron Worth.... 9.10
	Van Buren 7.15
	\$104.65
Benton County.	Hamilton County.
Boswell 4.55	Sheridan 4.55
Oxford 2.60	Westfield 8.90
Otterbein 3.25	Carmel 8.45
	Noblesville 1.95
	\$23.85
Blackford County.	Hendricks County.
Hartford City ... 16.90	Plainfield ..... .65
Montpelier 11.70	Fairfield ..... .65
	\$1.30
Boone County.	Henry County.
Lebanon 1.30	New Castle 2.60
Zionsville 8.45	Greensboro 14.95
	\$17.55
Carroll County.	Howard County.
Burlington 3.25	Kokomo 18.85
Clay County.	New London ... 4.55
Brazil 14.60	West Middleton. 7.80
Clinton County.	South Kokomo.. 9.75
Mulberry 3.90	Greentown 13.00
Jefferson 15.60	Sycamore 9.75
Rossville 1.30	Phlox 6.50
Frankfort 8.45	
Colfax 2.60	\$70.20
	Huntington County.
\$31.85	Huntington 16.25
Dearborn County.	Warren 10.40
Lawrenceburg ... 1.95	Markle 7.80
Aurora 1.30	Roanoke 11.05
Moore's Hill.... 2.60	
Guilford 1.95	\$45.50
Dillsboro 1.95	Jefferson County.
Bright 2.60	Deputy 3.90
Cold Springs .... .65	Madison 8.45
	Dupont 3.90
\$13.00	\$16.25
Decatur County.	Jay County.
Greensburg 14.30	Portland 1.95
Westfort 2.60	Red Key 1.95
	Balbec ..... .65
\$16.90	\$4.55
DeKalb County.	Jennings County.
Auburn 1.30	North Vernon .. 7.15
Garrett ..... .65	Johnson County.
St. Joe 1.65	Franklin 1.95
	Whiteland 4.55
\$3.60	Bargerville 1.95
Delaware County.	\$8.45
Eaton ..... .65	Knox County.
Normal City 3.25	Vincennes 7.15
Albany 4.55	Kosciusko County.
Muncie 1.30	Syracuse 6.00
	Lake County.
\$9.75	Crown Point 4.55
Dubois County.	LaPorte County.
Ireland 3.25	La Porte 4.55
Duff 1.30	Lawrence County.
	Bedford 9.10
\$4.55	Madison County.
Elkhart County.	Anderson "W".. 10.40
Elkhart 9.75	Lapel ..... .65
Goshen 5.85	Alexandria 1.95
Middlebury ..... .65	Anderson "Y" .. 3.25
Nappanee 5.20	Summitville 3.90
	Elwood 2.60
\$21.45	22.75
Floyd County.	Marion County.
New Albany 3.25	Meridian, Indpls. 13.65
Galena ..... .65	Central, Indpls.. 14.30
	Palmer, Indpls.. 5.20
\$3.90	Vayhinger Indpls 5.20
Fountain County.	N. Tast, Indpls.. 1.00
Covington 2.80	Mapleton, Indpls 4.35
Franklin County.	Frances Willard
Bath (Memorial) 3.25	Indpls. 1.95
Brookville 4.55	Bridgeport ..... .65
	Broad Ripple.... 5.20
7.80	\$51.50
Grant County.	Marshall County.
South Marion... 11.70	Argos 4.55
Upland 3.25	Bourbon 5.20
Fairmount 7.15	Brenen 12.35
Gas City 7.15	
Back Creek 3.90	
Deer Creek 6.50	
Swayzee 3.25	
Maple Run 9.10	
Haufield 1.30	
Farrville 6.50	
Maple Street ... 1.30	

Culyer 5.85	Tippecanoe County.
Plymouth 1.30	Lafayette 3.25
	Central 1.30
\$29.25	Edgerton 1.95
Miami County.	Frances Willard 8.45
Amboy 2.60	\$14.95
Peru 7.80	Union County.
	Liberty 3.25
\$10.40	Vandeburg County.
Monroe County.	Howell 1.95
Bloomington 6.50	Evansville Cen- tral 6.50
Morgan County.	Evansville, Fran- ces Willard .. 6.50
Mooreville 11.05	\$14.95
Martinsville 8.45	Vigo County.
Morgantown 13.65	Terre Haute 1.30
Monrovia 1.95	Warrick County.
	Booneville 7.80
\$35.10	Newburg ..... .65
Noble County.	\$8.45
Kendallville 3.90	Washington County.
Rome City ..... .65	Salem 1.30
	Campbellsburg .. 4.55
\$4.55	\$5.85
Ohio County.	Wayne County.
Rising Sun 1.30	Economy 3.25
Owen County.	Frances Willard, Richmond 2.60
Gosport 5.85	Fountain City... 3.90
Spencer 4.55	Mary F. Thomas, Richmond 2.60
Carp (Stanley).. 6.50	\$12.35
\$16.90	Whitley County.
Parke County.	Churubusco 7.15
Marshall ..... .65	Wells County.
Porter County.	Bluffton 12.35
Valparaiso 5.20	Tocsin 1.95
Hebron 2.60	Six Mile 3.25
	Ossian 5.85
\$7.80	Poneto 5.20
Pulaski County.	Liberty Center. .80
Winamac 2.60	\$29.40
Oak ..... .65	
\$3.25	Total Receipts.
Putnam County.	Total receipts for the quarter was \$1,702.51
Greencastle 9.10	Bal. on hand last quarter 1,157.95
Spencer County.	Total \$2,860.46
Rockport ..... .65	Disbursements.
Steuben County.	For the quar- ter was....\$1,500.34
Hamilton ..... .65	Bal. on hand. 1,360.12
Fremont 1.30	
Pleasant Lake .. 4.55	Clara M. Sears, Treasurer.
Angola 3.90	
\$10.40	
St. Joseph County.	
Chapin Park, S. Bend 5.20	
Colfax, S. Bend. 10.40	
Pleasant View, S. Bend 1.30	
N. Liberty 1.95	
Frances Willard 2.60	
\$21.45	

NEW LIGHT ON COCA COLA.

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be so indignant over such a statement is matter for wonder, when they sell a drink under such a suspicious name.

However, the truth about the cocaine in Coca Cola has come to light. Some months ago the Coca Cola company entered suit against the United States government to recover money paid during the Spanish-American war as a tax upon their product, which was listed by the government as a patent medicine subject to a war tax. During the trial, the attorney for the company stated that Coca Cola is a little less than half sugar, the liquid in which it is held in solution being water. In each glass there were, he said, about 1 to 1½ grains of caffeine, one-fourth hundredth of a grain of cocaine, and 1½ grains of phosphoric acid, with flavoring added, and with less than one-half of 1 per cent. of alcohol as a preservative.

So the company has, through its attorney, admitted that there is a small quantity of cocaine in each glass of Coca Cola. Whether there is as little as the attorney stated may be a matter of doubt with some people. After the great show of righteous indignation made by the manufacturers when it was hinted that cocaine might be hidden away in their product, their word as to the smallness of the quantity, when forced to tell, may be regarded as uncertain.

Why have so many analysts failed to find cocaine when examining coca cola? Let the council on Pharmacy and Chemistry of the American Medical Association answer. In referring to "Tucker's Asthma Cure" in the Journal of the American Medical Association for March 16, 1907, the Council reports different analyses, some of which give cocaine a constituent of the Tucker "Cure." In regard to the inconsistencies

of the analyses given, it is said, "These are partly due to the fact that proprietary medicines often vary in their composition from time to time and partly to difficulties inherent in the analysis of a complex mixture. Cocaine can be identified by characteristic qualitative tests, but its quantitative determination is very difficult, and, when the quantities are so small, it is practically impossible."

It is now easy to understand why so many chemists reported finding no cocaine in Coca Cola. "It is practically impossible" to determine it when very small quantities are used.

Another point is: the composition of some proprietary medicines differs widely according to the part of the country, or the world, where they are to be sold. For instance, in Australia a chemist of good standing reported finding over 40 per cent. of alcohol in a preparation which in Massachusetts contained 28 per cent. and in North Dakota, with its strict drug law, only 21 per cent. was found. It would seem that proprietary beverages also may differ as sold in different states. In some parts of the South, it is said by a prominent paper of the drug trade, Coca Cola drinkers call it "dope," and in Tennessee some very careful, reliable persons say that this drink has certainly a very peculiar effect upon those who imbibe. Cases were followed up of boys and girls who drank it, and they seemed to be in an unnatural condition, and wanted it in increasing quantities.

All will grant that cocaine is a dangerous drug, even in small quantity, as it has such a capacity to form a disastrous craving. But is the other ingredient, caffeine, perfectly harmless? Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, chief chemist of the United States government, wrote recently of caffeine in headache remedies, as follows: "Caffeine (or theine), the alkaloidal principle of coffee and tea and of other plants, is a drug frequently used in headache remedies, and its effect as a drug upon the human system is so pronounced as to render its use in headache remedies a matter of the gravest importance. Even in tea and coffee its effect is so strong that many persons drinking them late at night will have their sleep disturbed, or often pass an entirely sleepless night. But when caffeine is separated from tea and coffee, and used as a separate drug, it exerts a more specific action upon the system than when in natural combination. Caffeine has a direct stimulating effect upon the nerves, the brain, and the spinal cord; its general effect, when used as a drug, is to induce nervousness with deranged digestion and impaired health."

Wolfe has shown that three grains of caffeine will impair the quality of the gastric juice, which may make clear Dr. Wiley's reference to deranged digestion. The attorney for the Coca Cola company said that each glass contains from 1 to 1½ grains of caffeine. Will not impaired digestion result from drinking Coca Cola throughout a season?

The attorney for the government in the suit referred to declared that Coca Cola "should be classed as a dangerous medicinal compound," which will "originate, engender, cultivate and inflame the desire for stimulants, opiates and narcotics." This is as strong as anything the Woman's Christian Temperance Union has ever said. Let us pass it along to others.

N. B. This article, somewhat elaborated, can be brought out in leaflet form to be sold at 30 cents per 100. If there is sufficient demand to warrant its publication, it will be printed. Please write to Mrs. M. M. Allen, Homer, N. Y., stating how many copies you will order.—Ohio Messenger.

THE PROHIBS AND THE BIG POLITICIANS.

(From Mida's Criterion (Liquor Organ.)

The prohibits are in a bad way over the conduct of the leading public men who are spoken of as presidential timber.

Vice-President Fairbanks is vigorously condemned because cocktails were served at his home on May 30 when President Roosevelt was entertained by him.

As for the President, he is altogether too outspokenly liberal and independent on the liquor question to suit the straight-laced saints on earth.

Carrie Nation gave our President particular fits because in passing through Kansas he had aboard a few of the good things that aid in stimulation.

"Uncle Joe" Cannon, of Illinois, is getting no support from the prohibitory element because he is liberal in his views on the drink question, and has a palate that keenly relishes the ancient in vintage and the aroma of good tobacco.

In Ohio the anti-saloonists are opposing the nomination of Secretary of War Taft because he earnestly advocated the restoration of the army canteen as a step toward true temperance. And so the test of big politicians might be gone over, for a man to suit the prohibits must be built on too narrow lines to ever become prominent or popular. They are certainly scarce of presidential timber.

The Knights of Pythias have recently issued an order excluding wholesale and retail liquor dealers, bar-keepers, and proprietors of hotels where bars are kept from membership.

A PROGRESSIVE CONSTITUTION.

Extracts from a speech made by Dr. J. P. D. John, at the Fourth of July W. C. T. U. picnic, held by the Greencastle union:

Genuine temperance sentiment was never before so strong throughout the land as it is on this anniversary of our nation's birth. East, west, north, south, the people are shaking off their lethargy. They are waking, they are nearly awake. And when they fully open their eyes to the menace of the saloon its days will be numbered. In the south the people are more fully aroused than in the north. In the state of Texas, they have county local option, and during my recent trip through that state, the battle was on again between the enemies and the friends of the saloon. When a county votes "dry," the saloon is banished for two years. Then at the expiration of the limit, the contest is on again. They are voting all over the state of Texas this week, and if the birds that whispered in my ears last week tell the truth, the forces of righteousness will prevail. And what is true of Texas, is true throughout the greater part of the south. And what is true in the south, is, in large measure, true throughout the length and breadth of the land.

When the people record their verdict that the saloon is immoral and a menace to the State and nation, that moment the saloon will become an unconstitutional thing, whatever the statutes of the state or nation may declare.

The constitution cannot be changed except by constitutional methods, but its interpretation changes with the convictions of the people. What was unconstitutional once, is constitutional today, though the instrument itself is the same. This is true, whether it be the constitution of a state or of the nation.

Public sentiment has much to do with the construction and exposition of obscure, doubtful, or prophetic passages in the constitution. Indeed, parts of the fundamental law are inoperative until the public conscience becomes quick and tender enough to see to the bottom of its truth.

The constitution of the state of Indiana is founded on Christian morality. Whatever is immoral is illegal, either actually or potentially. Moral legislation against immorality cannot be unconstitutional, because it is the very essence of the constitution.

Public conscience must decide what is immoral and what is moral. The time was in the state of Indiana when public conscience decided that lotteries were not immoral. Legislation in the interest of lotteries was then constitutional. The time now is when public conscience says that lotteries are immoral, and legislation in the interest of lotteries is now unconstitutional. It is the same constitution but a revised public conscience.

The time has been when the public conscience has said that the saloon was not immoral, and legislation against it was, therefore, unconstitutional. The time is close at hand, if indeed it is not already here, when the public conscience is saying that the saloon is essentially and irretrievably immoral, and when the public conscience formally utters that word, all legislation in its interest will be unconstitutional.

It has been reserved for a distinguished jurist of our own state to anticipate the omnipotent proclamation of the public conscience, and in the generations to come, I would rather be Samuel R. Artman, though he should never rise above the position of a circuit judge, than to be any one of the supreme justices, who may temporarily reverse his decision. Whatever the decision of the present supreme bench may be, the decision of the future will be that Samuel R. Artman saw the truth, and heard the utterance of the public conscience while it was yet unspoken. Some things which men called truth a century ago, we call error today. Is it the truth that has changed, or is it the philosophers? Truth is eternal, but its appearance varies with the eyes of the beholder.

The uprising of the temperance people throughout the nation is phenomenal. Men and women of all creeds and parties are demanding the suppression of the saloon. This tide of sentiment cannot be stayed. The people are in earnest. If our public servants, whether in legislative, executive or judicial circles, heed the call, it will be well with them and the nation. But if they close their ears to the call of the new public conscience, and open their ears to the threatenings of the demagogue, the hot fires of the public indignation will flame against them; and the people will rise in their might and their clear vision of the right and drive them from executive, judicial and legislative halls, and remand them to private life; and the people will find other servants who will not falter in the presence of duty, and who will courageously ring the death knell of the saloon.—Greencastle Banner.

The United States Supreme Court by recent decision has made it unlawful for any person to solicit orders for liquor in the State of Kansas. A conviction is subject to a fine of not more than \$500.00 nor less than \$100.00. In addition there may be a penalty of from one to six months.

FIELD NEWS

Union County Convention of the W. C. T. U. will be held at the country home of Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley. Every preacher in the county is invited and the Prohibitionists are planning to be present. Medal contest by the young people is one of the helpful features of the program.

Munsey's Magazine editorially announces: "No more advertising contracts for whiskey, beer or wine, and no more objectionable medical advertising, or objectionable anything, in fact, will be accepted for Munsey's Magazine."

Greencastle W. C. T. U. held its annual Fourth of July meeting and picnic in the beautiful grounds surrounding the house of Mr. and Mrs. O'Daniel. Mrs. J. P. D. John, the president, in charge. The program was of unusual interest. Those participating were Rev. C. Cauble, who had charge of the devotional service. Dr. H. A. Gobin, who spoke on "The Stainless Flag." Dr. J. S. Hoagland told of the victories for temperance. Dr. J. P. D. John's subject was "A Progressive Constitution." Followed by Prof. John B. DeMotte, who spoke briefly, with great earnestness regarding local conditions. The singing evangelist, Mr. Harry Maxwell, greatly assisted by his interest and enthusiasm. Numbers by a male quartette, consisting of Messrs. Maxwell, Potorff, Oucley and Connelly, were much appreciated. A feature of the meeting was the singing of a chorus of girls from the Loyal Temperance Legion. Among the much admired decorations was a floral design in patriotic colors, the gift of Mrs. Hattie Moore. The afternoon was closed with a picnic supper of generous proportions brought by the guests and eaten in true picnic style. Facts taken from the Greencastle Banner. Prof. and Mrs. DeMotte generously furnishing ice cream for the entire company.

Contest Work is booming in Indiana. Counties in the lead are Grant, Marion, Madison and Jay. Competition is close. One local superintendent has held fifty contests within a year. The new Educator No. 12, is now in the hands of the State Superintendent. It is bright, new, and up-to-date. Send for copies to use as prohibition literature. Let me hear from counties that want a representative in the Diamond Medal Contest at State Convention at Lafayette.

Julia Overman,

State Superintendent, Marion, Ind.

Temperance Posters—Printed on manila card board, in large, red and black letters, setting forth the latest temperance statistics. Tack them up at Fourth of July celebrations, cha-ta-quas, fairs and anywhere they can be seen. They are silent educators for temperance. Price five cents each. For sale by Mrs. Eva Miller, 723 Jackson Street, Peoria, Ill.

Lafayette Memorial Service for Mrs. Helen M. Gougar—The W. C. T. U. Unions of our city held a memorial service for our well loved comrade and friend, Mrs. Helen M. Gougar, at 3:30 p. m., June 30th, in the Second Presbyterian Church. Miss Eliza F. Baker, County President, presiding. The Rev. John P. Hale, pastor of the church to which Mrs. Gougar belonged, voiced the invocation at the beginning of the service. Beautiful vocal numbers were rendered by Rev. Trucksess and the Mises Berry and Mitchell, with organ accompaniment by Miss Eva Linn. Dr. I. S. Wade paid a well merited tribute to the life and character of Mrs. Gougar, likening her to famous heroes of the past, who dared everything for righteous principles. Rev. A. W. Conner, of the Christian Church, also spoke in high commendation of Mrs. Gougar, citing some of her original remarks, which always carried a wholesome truth. Mrs. Mary George gave a sketch of Mrs. Gougar's life and some of its accomplishments. Beginning to teach in the public schools at the age of sixteen years, she thus early assumed the responsibilities of her phenomenally successful and useful career, which from our mortal vision ended all too early. Thus we publicly showed forth the love we bore our great hearted leader, and our sorrow for her loss. For we of Lafayette do indeed feel stricken and bereaved in the going from us of Helen M. Gougar.

Mrs. H. H. Moore.

Ray—Mrs. L. F. McWhirter, editor of "The Message."—We wish to express our appreciation of the work done in Steuben County by Mrs. Don G. Blaine, of Washington. Hamilton, Angola, Pleasant Lake and Fremont Unions experienced temperance revivals; new members being added to each of the unions, and those already enrolled were encouraged to go on with the work, which must be successful. Her lectures were pleasing, setting forth the great truths in a convincing manner. The parlor meetings were well attended and the work done was greatly appreciated by all. We pray that God's richest blessing may be with Mrs. Blaine.

(Mrs.) Edna S. Smith,

President Steuben County, Ray, Ind.

The Prohibitionists of Huntington County held an all day's picnic in the beautiful Chamber's grove, six miles south of Huntington, on July 4th, with fine weather and good attendance. In the forenoon the W. C. T. U. were invited to give a gold medal contest, and Mrs. Effie Hubley,

our superintendent of that department, responded with a class of six of exceptional merit. Miss Elizabeth Mason winning the prize. Her reading was "The Ballot of the Bishop and the Brewer." After a sumptuous dinner we listened to a most able address by Rev. Harry G. Hill of Indianapolis. All combined a most profitable and sane Fourth of July.

Hendricks County Flower Mission Superintendent, Margaret Kendall, has gone on before. We shall miss her loving visitations and words of cheer. From our May meeting we sent her a beautiful double white potted geranium, with the text: "The Angel of the Lord Encampeth 'Round About Them that Fear Him and Delivereth Them." She told her nurse to water it and take care for it and when she was gone to send it back to the Union. There were five ministers took part at her funeral. Rev. David Hadley leading with the text, "This woman was full of good works and alms which she did." A very appropriate text in her case. Another said, "She hath done what she could." Margaret said to the writer a few months ago, "Soon it will be said of me, 'She is gone, it's all right.'"

Rhoda McClain.

New London is small but loyally active. Flower Mission Day is observed annually. This year after a beautiful service, held at the home of the pastor, participated in by several persons, including young ladies who are interested, visits were made, and bouquets with text cards were distributed. The young ladies seem to enjoy this work and their help is appreciated.

Lafayette—Tippecanoe County Swimming Races—The celebration at Columbian park, under the auspices of the County W. C. T. U. was very successful. In the silver medal contest Miss Esther Brown secured first prize, the others participating being Miss Anna Shipley and Miss Bernice Crowden. Miss May Thomas, county superintendent of silver medal contests, officiated. In the afternoon there were addresses by A. B. Kirkpatrick, of Kokomo, and Joseph C. Skemp of this city. Judge Kirkpatrick spoke on "Christian Patriotism" and Mr. Skemp on "The Labor Question. Both addresses were eloquent and interesting. There were many swimmers in the contests in the swimming pool. Charles B. Jamison had charge of the contests and the following won prizes: Guy Duessler, best exhibition of diving; William Terry, best swimmer; Joseph Redman, best all-around swimmer. The prizes were donated by Jamison Brothers, Reitemer & Ditzler and J. Higley. The uniform rank of Woodmen of the World gave an exhibition drill. The Mulberry band furnished the music.

Miss Susan Clark, our state superintendent of work among colored people, died on July 16th, after a long illness at the home of her brother, Mr. W. F. Clark, editor of The Patriot Phalanx, of Indianapolis. Miss Clark was for years a close friend of Mrs. L. D. B. Covan, Mrs. J. R. Wood and Mrs. Mary E. Balch. She was a member of the Indianapolis Central W. C. T. U. Besides her State work, she was, until stricken by disease, a persistent, efficient local worker. She held mothers' meetings among the colored



women of the city and conducted a Loyal Temperance Legion composed of colored children. In early womanhood she had been a missionary, going out under the American Board. Mrs. Clark led a life of active service, Christ-like simplicity, and her heart was ever responsive to the needs of humanity. She loved much. In Miss Clark's death our cause has lost a loyal, energetic friend. Her life was a plea for the holy living and a protest against sin. She did what she could.

IN MEMORIAM.

Mr. Robert Gilmore of Bloomington a devoted loyal brother in-law of the W.C.T.U. died after a serious illness of weeks. His wife, our sister, Mrs. Jeanette Gilmore has our deepest sympathy. Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore went to Los Angeles, in 1905, with our Indiana party.

In Memory of Our Promoted Comrade.

The Heavenly Father has seen fit in His wise providence to remove from the ranks of the Princeton W.C.T.U. our dear sister, Mrs. Elmira Blair. We deeply feel our loss and extend to the bereaved family and sorrowing relatives our heartfelt sympathy.

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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DOES IT PAY. By Rev. Chas. Scanlon.

This is an excellent recitation.—[Editor.]

DOES IT PAY to license a traffic which lessens the demand for the helpful things of life, which increases their cost and diminishes the ability to pay for them?

DOES IT PAY to license a traffic which makes men less skilful, less steady, less reliable; which lessens endurance, lessens confidence, lessens credit, lessens the demand for food, clothing, shelter and tools with which to work?

DOES IT PAY to license a traffic which breeds idiots, paupers, criminals, lunatics and epileptics and casts them upon society to be supported by decent, honest, industrious people?

DOES IT PAY to license a traffic which increases taxes by creating a demand for jails, penitentiaries, asylums, hospitals, almshouses, orphanages, reformatories, police and criminal courts?

DOES IT PAY to maintain a national quarantine against criminal and dependent classes from abroad and license 25,000 saloonkeepers to manufacture such products at home?

DOES IT PAY to support the families of saloonkeepers and bartenders and pay their rent, taxes, insurance and buy luxuries for them in order to get a few pennies of our many dollars back in revenue and license?

DOES IT PAY to employ teachers to teach children the evil effects of alcohol upon the human system and license men to sell a thing which inflames the stomach, hardens the brain tissues, softens and weakens the blood vessels, impoverishes the blood, overworks the heart, dims the eye, dulls the hearing, diseases the throat, lungs, kidneys, liver, nerves and muscles; the demand for which is wholly artificial, and when supplied serves no good purpose?

DOES IT PAY to call ministers to preach the Gospel of love, charity, honesty, purity, forgiveness and redemption, and license other men to engage in a traffic which fosters hate, engenders strife, breeds dishonesty, impurity and destruction?

DOES IT PAY to levy a tax to support orphans and widows and license the murderer of husbands and fathers?

DOES IT PAY to maintain 275 life-saving stations on our coast at a cost of a million and a half, and out of the same pockets maintain 250,000 life-destroying stations at two billion and a half?

DOES IT PAY to listen to the sophistries and falsehoods of passion, prejudice, ignorance, appetite and greed and close our ears to the voice of conscience, reason, judgment, suffering, religion and God?

Pittsburg, Pa.

WHOLESALE'S CONVENTION.

The National Wholesale Liquor Dealers' Association met in Atlantic City, June 18th to 20th, two weeks after the adjournment of the United States Brewers' Association.

Following the example of the brewers, or perhaps more correctly, stirred by the same threatening current events adverse to their trade, they raised an even more strenuous note of warning and alarm against the apparently irresistible progress of Prohibition sentiment, legislation and law-enforcement during the past year. After furnishing the principal topic for consideration during the first three sessions of the convention, all day Tuesday, and Wednesday morning, June 18th and 19th, the "vexed question of Prohibition," as their official journals call it, became the one sole issue to which the convention could devote its attention at the fourth momentous session on Wednesday afternoon, and it was still the uppermost night-mare of the convention spellbinders in its closing hours on Thursday, June 20th.

Here are a few pointed excerpts from addresses as published in the leading liquor press of the country:

"I can say without fear of contradiction that during the past year we had more troubles to confront us than during the entire period of our existence."—President Taylor, of the National Wholesale Liquor Dealers' Association of America, in his report to the Twelfth Annual Convention at Atlantic City, N. J., June 18, 1907.

"During the past twelve months the prohibitionists have made grave inroads on our business. Especially is this true in the South, and unless we work with more energy and determination to stop this tidal wave, every State in the

South would be closed to us."—The Same.

"Difficulties confront us now that were undreamed of at the birth of the Association."—The Same.

"At no time, at least in recent years, has the liquor trade had as much to contend with as during the past year. It has been beset with much difficulty and opposition, which came from both within and without. Efforts to restrict and suppress the sale of liquor have been strongly urged and few sections of the country have been free from agitation. Every function of government has been called into play to accomplish restrictions."—Report of the Executive Committee of the National Wholesale Liquor Dealers' Association, June 18, 1907.

"The past year has been one of continuous activity. Attacks on the trade have been widespread, varied, and persistent. No part of the country has escaped. Legislative bodies have been deluged with bills hostile and unjust in character. . . . The number of elections held has also been large."—Report General Manager Protective Bureau, National Wholesale Liquor Dealers' Association, June 18, 1907.

"The reports of our officers and the speeches on the floor of the convention all point out as the most important point to be considered, the increased efforts of the prohibition element, both in enforcing Prohibition laws and in endeavoring to obtain new legislation adverse to our business."

"While matters of National Legislation and regulations for the enforcement of National law engross our immediate and most careful attention we cannot fail to recognize the fact that after all these troubles are past history; whether ending satisfactorily to us or otherwise, we will still be confronted with the ever-abiding and increasing troubles attendant upon the effort of the Prohibition element, and their success in deceiving the public, etc."—Report of the Committee on Resolutions, at the Twelfth Annual Convention of the National Wholesale Liquor Dealers' Association, June 18, 1907.

According to "Beverages" (New York), "The dominant subject of debate was the omnipresent vexatious prohibition issue, and the best means of fighting it. Numerous useful suggestions were brought forward by the different members who participated in the debate, and the general consensus of opinion seemed to be that a gigantic effort should be made to impress upon the trade the importance of the difficulties which it was battling against, and the absolute necessity for a better support of the Protective Bureau. The general trend of the discussion indicated that this department of the Association's work would in the future be practically its most important feature."

The Georgian, a daily of Atlanta, on July 19th published the names of a thousand substantial citizens of that city who have banded themselves together and publicly announced their determination to secure the enforcement of prohibition in that city, when the law goes into effect, Jan. 1, 1908.

Judge William Jefferson Pollard, of St. Louis, originator of the "pledge parole" plan for drunkards, which has brought to him wide notoriety has been re-elected for a term of four years. His plan has attracted great attention and the keenest interest has been taken in watching its success. It has been incorporated in the statutes of Vermont and adopted by at least one other judge.

Of Beer, Liebig, the great chemist, says: "There is more nourishment in as much flour as will lie on a table-knife than in nine quarts of beer."

"Beer, wine, spirits, etc., furnish no elements capable of entering into the composition of blood, muscular fibre, or any part which is the seat of the vital principle."

Dr. Ridge says: "There is as much nourishment in a pennyworth of bread as in a gallon of ale."

Sir Michael Foster goes still further and says: "There is no more nourishment in a gallon of beer than is found in a lump of sugar."

"Beer is not a real food. You may put all the nourishing portion in a gallon of the best beer ever brewed on the end of a ordinary table-knife. So little nourishment is there in it that you would have to be drunk over and over again before you could swallow enough beer to supply nourishing food sufficient for a square meal."—Norman Kerr, M. D.

The Sunday "lid" has taken such a firm hold in Missouri that it may result in complete prohibition. When reform gets a start it is always hard for it to decide upon a stopping place.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

"The Temperance Question has reached the stage in every State where it refuses to back up and be hitched. The sentiment is gaining ground that a business that has to have thrown about it all the restraints and protection of a law is a business that is not respectable enough to exist unrestrained in a civilized community, and is making it necessary for the men behind the bung and vat to go slow."—Denver Times.

The Louisville Courier-Journal of Monday July 8th, says concerning closed saloons on Sunday in that, the largest city in Kentucky: "The quietness that prevailed over the city yesterday was the subject of comment on all sides. The police are a unit on the question that the closing on Sunday almost wipes out arrests. It was unusually dull about Central station all yesterday and last night. Few negroes were arrested, which usually constitute the bulk of arrests on Sunday. Chief Sebastian Gunther and Captain James Hendricks expressed themselves as being delighted with the situation so far as the enforcement of the law is concerned. Major Patrick Ridge, Night Chief, said last night that effects of closing the saloons on Sunday were easily seen. He said it gave the police virtually a day of rest."

From Leslie's Weekly—"The Federation of Churches is doing a good work in holding daily religious services among the workmen of New York City. This work is to be commended, and in every practical way encouraged and helped. But it seems to us that the Federation of Churches will do more than it has yet accomplished if it will turn its special attention to two subjects: 1—Genuine spiritual revival, a righteous reformation in all the churches. 2.—A united, organized and determined movement for the enforcement of the laws protecting the sanctity of the Sabbath, and restraining liquor selling, gambling and vice, and an equally united and militant effort to secure such additional legislation on moral issues as is needed."

Statisticians figure it out that about seventenths of the poverty and destitution in the city of Chicago is caused by drink. If the saloons of Chicago were set side by side they would make a solid row five miles in length. The drink bill of the city amounts to more than \$75,000,000 a year. Not only is this a useless and depressing waste, but think of the expense to the city it carries with it, the courts, jails, police force, charities, etc., etc. Something too much of this booze nuisance.

Happily we are beginning to see the day when gambling can be and is tabooed. The social evil is also slowly retreating before the advance of civilization. The liquor traffic is fighting a more desperate battle, but one that is steadily going against it.—Minneapolis Journal.

Hon. William Jennings Bryan said: "I was born a teetotaler and I signed the pledge very early and I sign it again and again, every time I get a chance. I have two reasons for abstaining First—I believe it is best for me, and secondly, even if I imagined I was strong enough to withstand the temptations of drink, I am not willing that my example as a Christian should lead others astray." When Mr. Bryan was at a banquet in Tokyo, attended by the Cabinet and heroes of the Russo-Japanese war, he turned down his wine glass and responded to the toast, "Admiral Toga" with the words: "To the man who conquered on the water, I drink his health in a glass of water."

President David Starr Jordan, of Leland Stanford University says: "There is no possible question that business prosperity rises in any town as the saloon disappears. When people become accustomed to clean towns, without saloons, without pig pens and dens of vice, they will not tolerate any of these evil influences afterwards." The saloon, which is the center of the vice of drunkenness, is especially destructive to young men. The community has the same right to prohibit saloons as it has to prohibit cesspools."

Idaho.—Sunday Closing Law went into effect May 12th. Restaurants, drug stores, soda fountains and news stands only are allowed to keep open. Heavy fines are imposed upon any officer who fails to report a violation.

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The Home.—Laxity of discipline in the average home and consequent lack of obedience of small children soon develops irreverence for parents and disregard for their advice and counsel. This results in the young people of many homes going out and coming in at their will. Within the recollection of most people of mature years there were few well regulated homes that did not have hours. Members of the family were at breakfast as well as at other meals. Ten o'clock was bedtime and later hours were the exception. Then is was that the father of the family was considered and usually was, the head of his own household. Deference was paid to the wishes of the father and mother. The rules of their home were generally considered with respect. How different now! The experience and maturer judgment of parents is often lightly considered. With changed conditions the thoughtless young girl becomes the prey of designing men. Laws have not been sufficiently strenuous for the punishment of such criminals and the public has failed to realize the responsibility of the protection which very many homes does not provide. The failure of fathers and mothers to know where their young daughters are and with whom they are associating, cannot be condoned. Then too, in a growing or large city there is a constant influx of young people seeking employment, away from their parents; too often locating in a boarding or rooming house, or with distant relatives, all of which appeals to the public for a larger measure of protection. Our city parks ought to be better lighted and the larger parks should have chaperons or matrons whose duty it would be to discretely look after the young unprotected girls who go to the parks.

What a change would take place in social circles if the young girls were chaperoned and required to keep early hours. If the good respectable fathers and mothers of girls would establish such rules for their homes, it would be far easier for themselves and better for their girls in every way. Then it would be that fathers and mothers of boys would have reason to rejoice. At the average home there is not a definite bed time hour. A young man caller, regardless of age, knows that he can stay until he wants to go home—eleven, yes twelve o'clock. The father may "fuss" at the mother about it, if so, she usually gets him to keep quiet. The next morning the daughter eats little breakfast, if she gets up for breakfast. Lack of sleep, and irregular hours is the cause of pale, nervous girls, who cannot measure up to their grandmothers in physical endurance. The same cause makes boys unable to cope with the strenuousness of our present commercialism.

Prohibition for Georgia after Jan. 1, 1908. We are encouraged by the following item. Read it and pass its prophesy on to ten Indiana men.

Beverages, the official organ of the National Liquor League of America, in an editorial on "Prohibition in Georgia," says: "The result in Georgia presents no pleasant outlook for any section of the business. That state in its judgment has treated all alike, and no false notion that beer is a temperance beverage and should be allowed to hold on has been entertained or brought forward.

"We dislike to acknowledge it, but we really believe the entire business all over has overstayed its opportunity to protect itself against the onward march of prohibition, which in some sections of the country is advancing like a prairie fire with not a hand raised to stop its progress.

"For years we have sounded the warning of the impending storm. For years we have argued for organization and for years we have, in season and out of season, pleaded for unity, harmony and co-operation among all branches of the busi-

ness, but all effort on our part and on the part of others has resulted in no good.

"Five years ago a united industry might have kept back the situation that now confronts it, but today it is too late.

"Might as well try to keep out the Hudson river with a whisk broom."

STATE CONVENTION.

A request from the chairman of the entertainment committee. Will local presidents please urge upon the secretary the necessity of forwarding the names of the delegates. Just as soon as appointed. That the committee may have time to do the work as it should be done.

Yours in service,
Mrs. Mae Williams,
213 Russell Street, W. Lafayette, Ind.

State Convention chairman of entertainment is Mrs. Mae Williams, 213 Russell Street, Lafayette, Indiana.

Presidents of Local Unions, please urge your membership to collect all membership dues possible. Indiana's record of membership will depend for one year upon the number reported by the State Treasurer at the State Convention. Because the local union treasurer, on account of hindrances, cannot collect dues, is no reason whatever for the membership to decrease, and it will not if a few earnest women feel deeply the importance of the power of numbers when we authorize our State Officers to sign petitions, etc., representing our constituency. Numbers then count greatly for they give the actual number of paid members. If you will help in collecting dues you will be adding power to the State W. C. T. U.

Prohibition for Indiana! This will come when our organized temperance forces unite to work for Prohibition. How? By distributing great quantities of literature! By public meetings, and by aggressively pushing the issue in the church, the college, through the newspapers and exercising every influence possible socially. Let us sow Indiana knee deep in prohibition literature. The fallacy of high license is a delusion and a snare. The liquor men want it. Their great newspapers advocate it.

All State Officers, state superintendents, county presidents and local union presidents who have newspaper cuts of themselves are urged to loan them to our State Press Superintendent for use in Lafayette papers before and during the State Convention. For this purpose please send them by Sept. 15th to Miss Laura G. Cammack, State Superintendent, Converse, Ind.

Our State W. C. T. U. Convention will be held at Lafayette, Ind., October 11th to 15th. The members of the convention are the General Officers, Branch Secretaries, Editor of Message, State Superintendents of Departments, and County Presidents. Each local union is entitled to the following delegates: President, one delegate at large, and one delegate for every twenty paid regular members. Delegates should be elected immediately and the names and full addresses of delegates should be sent by September 10th to the chairman of convention entertainment committee. Write names plainly. To guess at or decipher a proper name that is poorly written is no easy task for a stranger. Entertainment for lodging and breakfast will be free for all duly elected delegates. If the delegate cannot attend she will inform her alternate as early as possible, so that she can attend. Dinners and suppers will probably cost twenty-five cents each. There are many restaurants near the church. Be sure to be present at the opening of the convention. Take the boys and girls with you. Young people will enjoy much of the convention. They would also enjoy a visit to Purdue University. For information concerning board for young people who may care to attend the convention write to Mrs. Mae Williams, 213 Russell street, Lafayette, Ind.

NATIONAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTION.

Nashville, Tenn., will entertain the National Convention this year, November 8th to 13th. The round trip railroad fare from Indianapolis will be a few cents less than \$16.00. No sleeping car fare. Tennessee will practically be under prohibition, only four places in the State where liquor is sold. Nashville is one of those places. If any white ribboner can go, or any friend of our cause, man or woman can go, we extend to such a one an invitation to be ready to go on November 6th. We also invite the L. T. L's and other young people to go. Board at about one dollar per day for visitors. For further information write Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College Avenue, Indianapolis.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Dear Sisters:

In another column you will find the convention call—which means the time is short for doing what we said at the beginning of the year

we would do. I see the superintendents are again reminding you of "reports," and I trust they will be made glad by the largest reports ever sent into the State. I know you have been busy, so report what you have done.

We are to have with us at our convention, Prof. Charles Scanlon, Mrs. Beauchamp and Judge Stubbs, of the Juvenile Court of Marion County.

The first evening is to be County Presidents evening, the presidents of the counties making a gain of fifty and more furnishing part of the program. I trust many counties will be represented. Go out at once and by personal solicitation gather in some new members. See that their dues are paid. Hoping to see a full representation at Lafayette, I am

Yours sincerely,
Culla J. Vayhinger.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY MESSAGE.

Dear Sisters:

We are closing our W. C. T. U. year with the notes of victory ringing on every hand. Let the women of Indiana catch up these strains, and with hearts full of praises for what has been done, and heads full of plans for the future of our work, come up to our State Convention to consult together and to arrange for a more aggressive campaign next year than Indiana has ever known. Georgia is rejoicing in State wide prohibition, and all who know the facts concede that this victory is largely due to work of the women and children of the State, led by their splendid State President, Mrs. Mary Armour. If the women of Georgia can do so much, what may not the women of Indiana do when banded together and nerved for the fight. If any dear sister has grown discouraged because victory is long delayed, let her look at Georgia, and buckle on her armor a little more closely and press again into the battle. See to it, local treasurers, that there are no deserters from our ranks this year. Nothing would please our enemies more than to see a falling off from our ranks, but we will show a fine gain in our State, if all old members pay dues.

When this reaches you the teacher will be gathering in their institutes in many parts of the State. As you know, the "Crusader Monthly" is now the official organ of the department of Scientific Temperance Instruction, and this fact should be brought before the teachers. This paper contains many helpful suggestions to teachers, and should be in the hands of every grade teacher in the State. Here is a chance for excellent service, sisters. Who will do it?

It is the earnest wish of your Corresponding Secretary that our directory this year be complete. It is a great disadvantage in many ways for your State Officers to have easy access to the names of county and local officers. Please hold your elections in September and forward names of officers to me promptly that the directory may be complete by State Convention.

Mrs. Mary Sibbets of Kansas, is coming to our State for work from October 15th, till National Convention. Those who heard her at Portland last year will want her to visit your unions. Write me at once for dates that I may complete a route for her.

Mrs. Maude L. Green, National Organizer and chalk talker, will also come into our State for work previous to the National Convention. Mrs. Green illustrates her lectures as she talks by use of the crayon, and thus sends home the truth through both ear and eye. Write me for dates and terms.

Remember that each local union is entitled to the following representation in the State convention: The president, one delegate-at-large, and one additional delegate for every twenty paid up members. We hope every union in the State will have a full delegation present. Those who accept the place of delegate should prepare to attend every session of the convention, that they may give their union a full report. We are expecting a grand convention. The program is nearly complete, and everything indicates a feast for those in attendance. Local unions should appoint delegates and forward their names at once to the chairman of the entertainment committee in Lafayette.

Yours for service,
Mary E. Woodard.

OFFICIAL.

CALL FOR CONVENTION.

The thirty-fourth State Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held at Lafayette, Ind., October 11th to 15th.

This meeting is composed of the officers of the State Union; Secretary of the Young Woman's Branch; Secretary of the Loyal Legion Branch; Superintendents of Departments; Presidents of County Unions; Chairmen of Standing Committees; State Organizers; editor of State paper; the president and one delegate at large and one delegate for each twenty paid members; these beside those representing Loyal Temperance Legions. The executive will meet October 10th, at two p. m.

Culla J. Vayhinger.

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SUPERINTENDENTS TAKE NOTICE.

It was decided at our Mid-Year Executive Committee meeting that advance sheets of superintendents reports will be printed this year. Superintendents who wish their reports printed in the minutes this year must send them to our State Recording Secretary by the 25th of September. It is desired that a summary of the year's work will be given at the close of the report and that the reports be type written. Let ever local and county superintendent help the State Superintendent of her department by reporting promptly.

MEDICAL TEMPERANCE.

Superintendents are urged to send reports of all work done by September 15th, to Dr. Marther E. Keller, State Superintendent, 212 K. of P. Bldg., Indianapolis.

EVANGELISTIC.

My Dear Evangelistic Superintendents:

The months have passed so rapidly that we are almost to the end of another year and the time for our reports is only one month away. I earnestly hope that you have had a good year and that you will promptly send your reports. Will the county superintendents urge the locals to be prompt. There may be local work in counties having no county superintendnt, if such is the case will the locals confer directly with me and report their work, if ever so little. I find I am running short on report blanks, so if any superintendent has more than she needs please send them promptly to me. If you should not receive a blank please answer the questions on letter paper in the order they are printed on the blank, as it saves me much time and trouble. I will have them appended to this letter so that no one will fail to know what the questions are. So far as I know each county superintendent is supplied. Some times Providential hindrances interfere with the duties of the superintendent, so that the local workers do not receive the blanks, but if the questions are in the paper, and the paper is read and kept for reference, no one is at a loss to know how to report. You have often been in my thoughts during the past year and I have wished I could see you and have a heart to heart talk. My home duties have been unusually heavy and if I have failed to answer your letters promptly you must pardon me. If I am permitted to attend the convention I will more fully explain. If any superintendent, county or local, has failed to receive Miss Greenwood's leaflet let me know immediately and I will send it.

Faithfully yours,
E. M. Haughton, State Supt.

Evangelistic Blank.

Name of Local Union.....
Name of County.....
Name of local superintendent.....
Address.....
Name of County Superintendent.....
Address.....
Questions for County Superintendents.
No. Unions in county.....
No. Evangelistic Superintendents.....
Are you supplied with Miss Greenwood's annual leaflet.....
Have you faithfully looked after the interests of this department in the county.....
Did you observe the evangelistic hour at your county convention.....
Questions for Locals.
Have you Miss Greenwood's Annual Leaflet.....
Have you kept a faithful record of your work....
Are the members of your union growing in spirituality and using helps thereto.....
No. of members who have done personal work for the unconverted.....
Number of temperance addresses given before conventions, or regular meetings of C. E. and E. L. Societies.....
No. of evangelistic meetings.....
How many in Churches.....
How many in prisons.....
How many in jails.....
How many in penitentiaries.....
How many in halls and alms houses.....
How many in cottages.....
How many in school houses.....
No. of out door services.....
How many visits made by union.....
How many conversions.....
How many Bible readings.....
No. of signatures to the pledge.....
No. of pages of literature distributed.....
Note.—Please add items of interest not included in the above questions.....
Return not later than September 15th, to Mrs. E. M. Haughton, State Superintendent, Richmond, Ind.

MRS. STANLEY'S NOTE BOOK.

Dear Sisters:

Since my last message to you I have been in northern counties, where are folks are already planning their county conventions in order to have a good representation at Lafayette in Oct. I had a very appreciative audience at Bryant, July 26th; Hoagland, 27th, Ft. Wayne, 28th, Roanoke, 29th, Markle, 30th, Wabash, 31st. I

am sorry to report Mrs. Emily McIntosh very sick. Yet she had her meeting well planned. A letter to her from all who are helping her department of colored work will cheer and help her.

Ft. Wayne women took advantage of their pastors vacations and gave us fine audiences. Roanoke has a fine union and a splendid corps of officers. Their president formerly lived in Grant County. They gave me a great reception in the afternoon. Served elegant refreshments and secured seven new members.

Markle is still in good fighting trim and with them it is a constant battle for they have closed their salons, and every effort has been made to defeat the will of the people and open the death traps again.

Wabash union is discouraged, but South Wabash has yet a good organization. I was entertained in the home of their representative, and I told him of our plan for legislative campaign for municipal suffrage for women and the encouragement received from all sources leads me to urge our women in every county to send at once to Mrs. Laura Thompson, of Greensburg, a good report for her department and see to it that every union in the State has a superintendent of franchise work, and when the next General Assembly meets I dare predict that the good men of Indiana will not longer lag behind other progressive States and they will gladly grant our petition. Yours for loyal service,

Elizabeth T. Stanley.

SECRETARY YOUNG WOMAN'S BOARD SENDS A MESSAGE.

Dear Girls:

I was appointed to fill the unexpired term of the "Y" Secretary, at the mid-year meeting. I am entirely new in the work, but I have been studying the plans received from our National Superintendent, but have not undertaken any work. Now as one year is nearly gone and the time for reporting is near at hand, I shall expect a report from each "Y" in the State.

I wish the president of each "Y" would write me a personal letter, asking questions and giving suggestions that we may become acquainted before the annual convention at Lafayette. Be sure to collect your dues that we may not fall behind in our reports. Send your delegate to the convention. I'll try to do more for you hereafter. Lovingly your co-worker,

(Mrs.) Mary S. Craig,
"Y" Secretary, Upland, Ind.

PURE FOOD.

While reports of our State Laboratory Commissioner show that faithful work is being done, it is easy to see that the time of watchfulness by all is not past. There is no provision made as yet for government inspection of meats sold by local dealers and butchers, who supply thousands every year in the country and small towns. The same is true of the milk supply outside of cities. Hence the great mortality of infants who are fed on milk. This problem is of sufficient importance to induce every County President to interview the representative of the State Board of Health in her respective county, in an effort to provide an inspector. I will be glad to co-operate in such an undertaking if called upon. I trust all who have taken an interest in the department of Household Economies will call for report blanks at an early date.

Mrs. May A. Moody.

Woman Suffrage—The women of Finland enfranchised and elected to seats in the Diet. The first time in the world's history that women have occupied seats in an elected National Parliament.

Norway women have been granted franchise limited by a slight property qualification. A tax on an income of \$84 in the country and \$113 in the city, the husband's taxes entitling the wife to a vote. A woman earning from \$1.50 to \$2 a week will be able to vote. The women asked for suffrage without limitations and for eligibility to Parliament. The new law admits them to the lower House. With the power in their hands, however, to elect the members, they should soon be able to enlarge their own privileges. It is supposed that about 300,000 women are enfranchised.

The effect of Norway's action on Sweden is an interesting question. The Swedish women are very thoroughly organized for obtaining the suffrage. They have had all except the Parliamentary franchise for many years and since 1902 they have been making a strong and systematic effort for this.

Oklahoma—The framers of Oklahoma's Constitution have provided for Prohibition, pure and simple, without resource or remedy. With the odds heavily against them, representatives of our industry have put up a good fight.

Virginia and North Carolina—In these two States the Temperance wave has made itself felt strongly. Men are going to jail and penitentiary for taking liberties with the excise that a little while ago would have been indulgently connived at. The good old days of distilling and blockading seem to have gone forever.

PURITY IN LITERATURE AND ART.

Beloved Sisters:

The year is nearing the close. I have sent you literature and report blanks. If I have missed any please write at once and I will send blanks. Beloved superintendents please report as it is on your report that the year's work must be made up. Let us have a good report for the State Convention. Lovingly yours in the work,
(Mrs.) R. C. Travis, Supt.

Elkhart, Ind.

After June 1st, express agents were ordered to decline to receive shipments of intoxicating liquors when destined to officers in Kansas. This order went out from the Wells-Fargo Express Company in Kansas City, and affected about 350 express offices that had been receiving C. O. D. liquor. "Public sentiment forced us to issue the order," said O. J. Peterson, Gen'l Agent Wells-Fargo Express Company at Kansas City.

MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

To Superintendents of Mothers' Meetings:

Dear Sisters—Permit a word of entreaty, exhortation, if you please. Will you be prompt with your reports. I have sent blanks and literature to all who have applied to me, and to every superintendent who's name and address I could get through the directory and otherwise. Will you please fill them out and return them to me. My report at State Convention and to the National Superintendent will depend wholly on what you report to me. It has been decided to have advance sheets of superintendents reports printed, that means you must be prompt with your reports to me, or they will not be printed in the annual report. Some have given me their reports at State Convention. Don't do it, for belated reports will not be in the annual report. Please send all reports to me by the 15th of September, so my report may be ready on time for the advance sheets. Your in His name,

Hartford City.

Mrs. S. M. Stahl.

The county presidents will have one night at the State Convention with time according to new members gained, given each one to tell of her victories.

Miss Lena Hamblen of Swayzee, won the diamond medal in the contest held at Winona.

(Staff Correspondence of the Associated Prohibition Press.)

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—When the brewers of the United States in their annual convention in June, 1902, announced the launching of a "systematic literary agitation concerning malt liquors," the people of the United States little realized the deluge of "systematic" bombast, misrepresentation, and deliberate falsification of which they were to be made the target during the succeeding half decade.

The columns of the daily press and popular magazine during these past five years have contained at a low estimate \$50,000,000 worth of this "systematic literary," beer advertising.

It is no exaggeration to say that this advertising in the daily, weekly and monthly secular publications has done more to perpetuate and extend the despotism of alcohol and the appetite for alcoholic beverages than all the 250,000 open legalized rumshops of America in the same length of time.

The saloon as an institution has everywhere become discredited by pulpit, press and public opinion, but the liquor advertiser can enter the most cultured and refined Christian home in the land in his purchased vantage-point of publicity in the high-class magazine or daily newspaper.

In doing this and permitting this the reputable press of America has to an extraordinary degree, nullified the effect and influence of the scientific and social teaching about alcohol in our public and Sunday Schools and in tens of thousands of youthful minds has confused the truth of science and medicine and the terrific facts of every-day experience.

BREWER PABST COLLIDES WITH UNCLE SAM.

Glaring Two-Column Ad. in Big Dailies Makes Astounding Claim That the United States Department of Agriculture "Officially Declares Beer the Purest and Best of all Foods and Drinks." Sensational Climax of Beers "Educational Campaign" Emphasizes Need for National Movement to Put Liquor Advertising in Same Class With Lottery Publicity and Abolish it by Congressional Enactment.

What Brewer Pabst says in leading advertisement in daily press (August 6, 10, 12, 1907, et al.):

"The United States Department of Agriculture officially declares that Beer is the purest and best of all foods and drinks."

What the United States Department of Agriculture says in a letter to the Associated prohibition Press (August 9, 1907):

"No such statement has been made by the

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Department . . . I regret that there is no law by which such practices may be reached."

The advertisement suddenly flashed its extraordinary news to the readers of the Chicago Daily News from the fifth page of its issue for Tuesday, August 6th, and then, in rapid succession, the same story was repeated in a remarkable list of metropolitan dailies, among which a few minutes perusal of various issues on a nearby news stand revealed the following:

Milwaukee, Wis., Sentinel, Aug. 12, page 2.
Louisville, Ky., Courier-Journal, Aug. 12, p. 3.
Atlanta, Ga., Constitution—(Henry Grady's old paper)—August 12, page 7.
Galveston, Texas, News, August 11, page 24.
Providence, R. I., Journal, August 12, page 5.
Memphis, Tenn., Commercial Appeal, August 14, page 11.
Toledo, Ohio, Blade (Shades of Petroleum V. Nasby), August 12, page 2.
The Oklahoma City, Okla., Daily Oklahoman, August 11, page 3.
The St. Joseph, Mo., Gazette, August 11, page 3.
The Chicago Evening Post, August 10, page 4.
The Chicago Tribune, August 12, page 11.
The Minneapolis, Minn., Journal, August 12.
The Denver, Colo., Times, August 12.
Etc., etc.

These insertions in fifteen different widely separated dailies is of course, prima facie evidence that the ad. in question is one of the regular syndicate advertisements of the big Milwaukee brewery, whose announcements every so often appear simultaneously in scores of the leading daily newspapers of practically every State in the Union.

What the "Ad." said:

Here are the striking features of this sensational ad., which appeared in the papers listed above:

"The United States Department of Agriculture officially declares that beer is the purest and best of all foods and drinks."

"Beer is a genuine temperance drink."

"Temperance workers realize that by encouraging the use of beer, they discourage the use of intoxicating liquors." Etc., etc.

What the Department of Agriculture says:

The Associated Prohibition Press promptly wrote the editors, the brewers, and to Uncle Sam for verification of these extraordinary statements.

In reply to our inquiry the following communication was received at Associated Prohibition Press headquarters Tuesday morning, August 13.

"Department of Agriculture
Office of the Secretary,
Washington.

August 9, 1907.

Mr. Fred. D. L. Squires,
Editor Associated Prohibition Press,
184 LaSalle Street, Chicago.

Dear Sir—I have your letter of the 7th inst., enclosing a clipping from "The Daily News," Chicago, of an advertisement of Pabst Blue Ribbon beer, in which the statement is made that the Department of Agriculture officially declared that "beer is the best of all foods and drinks." You are correct in assuming that no such statement has been made by the Department. The Department does all in its power to prevent having its views distorted, but I regret that there is no law by which such practices may be reached.

Respectfully,

M. N. Hays, Acting Secretary.

Pabst Company sends "preliminary reply" after a whole week's consideration.

The Associated Prohibition Press Wednesday, August 7th, mailed the following inquiry to the Pabst Brewing Co., Milwaukee.

"August 7, 1907.

The Pabst Brewing Company, Milwaukee, Wis.

We were much interested in the advertisement of your beer which appeared in the Chicago Daily News last evening, Tuesday, August 6th, on page five of said issue, in which the statement appears, "The United States Department of Agriculture officially declares that beer is the purest and best of all foods and drinks." Will you kindly inform us as to when and where and under what circumstances the statement was made, and any particulars regarding it that you may have at hand."

Chicago is only eighty-eight miles and two hours distant from Milwaukee, but after awaiting in vain for a reply from Wednesday, August 7th, until Monday, August 12th, we forwarded the following, hoping for better luck:

"August 12, 1907.

Pabst Brewing Company, Milwaukee, Wis.

Gentlemen—Under date of August 7, we wrote you for information regarding a statement in your advertisement of Pabst Blue Ribbon Beer in the Chicago Daily News of Tuesday, August 6th, which declared that "The United States Department of Agriculture officially declares that beer is the purest and best of all food and drinks."

"We sent this inquiry in perfectly good faith and expected a reply in due season. Since our letter of August 7th, the same advertisement with the same statement regarding the United States Department of Agriculture has appeared in the Chicago Evening Post, of August 10, page 4, and

the Chicago Daily Tribune of Monday, August 12, page eleven. Such repeated prominence to a declaration alleged to have been made by the United States Department of Agriculture by a reputable concern such as yours is, certainly means that the statement in question must have some basis in fact, and in view of many inquiries at this office in regard to the matter we would appreciate an immediate reply, giving us information as to when and where and under what circumstances the official statement was made by the United States Department of Agriculture asserting that 'beer is the purest and best of all foods and drinks.' Thanking you for the favor of a reply by return mail, we are,

Very truly yours,

Editor."

On Tuesday morning came the letter from the Department of Agriculture, but still no response from the ad-man of Pabst. So we followed our other two apparently vain inquiries with a third one, which contained as an interesting enclosure, a copy of the letter above quoted from Acting Secretary M. N. Hays.

Forty-eight hours more elapsed and in the Thursday morning mail, August 14, the ninth day after our first inquiry, came the following remarkable response from brewer Pabst's advertising Department:

"Pabst Brewing Company,
Milwaukee, Wis., Aug. 14, '07.

Mr. Fred. D. L. Squires,
184 LaSalle Street, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir—We are in receipt of your various communications under dates of the 7th and 12th insts., addressed to both this office and our Chicago branch.

With reference to the subject matter contained in same, will say that we have what we consider very good authority for making the statement in question and expect within a few days to be in position to favor you with full information along the line requested, as well as arguments fully backing up the statements contained in our advertisement.

Trusting in the meantime you will kindly have a little patience, we are

Yours truly,

Pabst Brewing Company,

By F. H. Squier."

"In the meantime"—While the Company that makes this false assertion is seeking "information and argument,"—to substantiate its falsehood—"Have a little patience!"

Yes, but—

"In the meantime" at least ten million men and women have read the advertisement with its libel on the United States Government, and tens, perhaps hundreds of thousands of them have swallowed it as Gospel truth and heard nothing to the contrary in over a fortnight of time.

"In the meantime" every saloon-keeper in America that handles the Pabst fire-water has basked in the joyful belief—which he of course shared with all his patrons—that at least he can remain in the same business and be selling them on the authority of Uncle Sam, "the purest and best of all foods and drinks," in the shape of the most vicious liquor on his bar.

"In the meantime" thousands of unthinking men, who, still have been taught to revere and honor the integrity and honesty of the Federal government, have taken this bit of fiction for a warrant for dissipation and have taken one more stride toward moral ruin and physical degeneration.

And "in the meantime," God in Heaven pity them! the tens of thousands of homes cursed and blasted by drink—by beer more than any other—will have endured fourteen days more of hell-on-earth, the direct fruit of this easy-going traffic in beverage poison, which has grown so fat and bloated in its career of graft that it dares to trample down law, wherever it may do so with impunity, (but no longer in Kansas), deceive all it may with its seductive advertising falsehoods and continue to devour and destroy a wealth of good grain that might otherwise bless the thousands it now plagues and damns with liquid pestilence.

Why should not the United States Government take such a business, a thousand times more deadly and dangerous than the lottery graft, and through the next Congress, henceforth prohibit all its flaunting, fraudulent advertising as it has already abolished all gambling publicity?

"Coca Cola."—At Washington, June 21, 1907, the War Department issued an order forbidding the sale of Coca Cola in post exchanges in the Department of the East. This action was taken after an analysis of its ingredients was made at the Department of Agriculture by Prof. Wiley, chief chemist, who reported that in a majority of samples of Coca Cola he tested, he found quantities of cocaine and caffeine. Officers reported to the War Department that enlisted men have discovered the effect which the drink produces upon them, and that for the purpose of getting this effect they drink six or seven glasses of the stuff, and that the result is injurious to health as well as destructive of morals.—National Advocate.

FIELD NEWS

State and County Sunday School Conventions should be attended by our white ribbon women and by our prohibition men. This neglect on our part delays the time of victory for prohibition. Attend your Sunday School convention! Urge every prohibitionist to attend!

Marion County W. C. T. U. Convention will be held atSept.

Indianapolis Central W. C. T. U. had U. S. Senator Fred. T. DuBois of Idaho, for his famous lecture on Mormonism. In closing he deplored the fact that our Indiana Senator Beveridge had favored the seating of the Mormon Reed Smoot in the Senate and had used his influence and power in the committee and in the Senate for Smoot.

Mrs. Harriet W. Brand our National Treasurer is at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. W. M. home in Indianapolis. Mrs. Brand and Mrs. Wright, who is critically ill at the home in Indianapolis. Mrs. Brand and Mrs. Wright are both members of Indianapolis Central Union.

State Convention delegates and visitors will this year go by interurban mostly. Those who go by railroad will pay a straight two cent fare.

The Boy Magazine will keep you in touch with the Anti-Cigarette movement. What its immediate purpose is, for the ultimate abolishment of the manufacture and sale of cigarettes for boys. Its larger ambition is for the building of boys into healthy, energetic American citizens. Price fifty cents per annum. In clubs of four or more twenty-five cents per annum. Send five cents for sample copy. Room 1119, Womans' Temple, Chicago.

Mrs. Retta Jones, of Alexandria, completed a week's work in Wells County, Wednesday, July 24th, from which we received great encouragement, and much good was done. We find her to be a very forceful and convincing speaker, and with great faith in the cause she represents. Although a very busy time with farmers, and their wives as well, sixteen names were added to the roll of membership new life was given to discouraged hearts, and we know Mrs. Jones will live long in the memory of the white ribboners of Wells.

Stinesville W. C. T. U. celebrated National Independence day in a very delightful all day meeting at the country home of sister Lettie Wble. After a bountiful dinner, consisting of all the good things in season, the President, Katharyn Hoadley, took charge of the meeting and disposed of the business part as speedily as practicable to give more time for the literary program, which had been arranged by Maggie Welch, as leader, which consisted of inspiring patriotic and other appropriate music with readings as follows: Lon Holtzman, "Our Flag and by Whom Made;" Dora Easton, "Women's Rights;" Ida Steigleman, "The Fourth of July;" Zula Edwards, "Home, Sweet Home;" a recitation by President Katharyn Hoadley, "The Shoe Maker and the Little White Shoes." Ice cream and cake were served by the hostess.

We trust that all State Superintendents will remember that their final report must be in the hands of the recording secretary by September 25th, that advance sheets may be had for the convention. Also the mid-year executive recommended that the reports be type written and a summary of the year's work be given at the close of the report.

Grant County holds its annual convention at Upland, October 3d and 4th.

Mrs. Vayhinger attended the temperance days at Winona, and had a conference with the management and they have given the W. C. T. U. fair prospects for another year.

The Owen County W. C. T. U. held an open air meeting at Spencer, July 4th. At 10:30 the crowd was called together by the band and the exercises for the forenoon were opened by prayer. The speaker for the forenoon, Mrs. Vayhinger, State President of the W. C. T. U. was introduced, and made an excellent address, and was one of the best presentations of the anti-saloon arguments that has ever been made in our town. In the afternoon an address was made by Senator Moore of Greencastle. His speech was well received by the large audience. The temperance people of our county feel greatly strengthened after such a good meeting.

IN MEMORIAM.

"I do not think the blessed ones
With Jesus, have forgot
The changing joys and sorrows
Which have marked their earthly lot.

But vain regrets and longings
Are as old things passed away
No shadows dim the sunshine
Of that bright eternal day!"

Elkhart Central W. C. T. U. sustained a great loss in the home going of Miss Esther Kernell. She was an earnest and intelligent worker, not only in W. C. T. U., but in Missionary work was ever ready to raise her voice for the up-lift of humanity. Three brothers and one sister together with the father and mother will miss her.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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BEER FAR WORSE THAN WHISKEY.

Unspeakable as are the evils of whiskey drinking, those of beer are unspeakably worse. Where whiskey slays its tens of thousands, beer slays its millions. Whiskey is an active but intermittent fiend. With many he only stabs at times and seasons, and has his vacations of evil doing. Beer is a sluggish, corrosive, persistent demon that rests not neither day or night. Whiskey has the viciousness of a rattlesnake; beer, the slimy, noisome, unshakable grasp of a devilfish. Men may do good things as well as bad things under the influence of whiskey, but never under that of beer. It is deadening, stupefying, callousing, finally paralyzing. Some men may drink whiskey all their lives and yet live the full sheaf of years of the psalmist. Never the beer drinker.

All physicians will at once say that of all their patients they most dread a habitual beer drinker. He has no reserve, no stock of vitality upon which to draw, and when a disease that a healthy man would throw off with little trouble sets its fangs on him he is marked for the grave. In every large city thousands of deaths occur every year in which the cause is given as pneumonia, but the real cause is that the beer drinker's stamina has been so lowered that slight cold becomes a fatal disease. Physicians may, and do, disagree upon almost everything else, but upon this they are astonishingly unanimous. Everyone will testify that a beer drinker's life is shortened in exact proportion to the amount of the sloppy brew that he consumes. It affects him in every way and every organ of his body, beginning with cirrhosis of the liver, or what is usually called hob-nailed, liver and then attacking his kidneys, his lungs, his heart, his eyes, and in fact every vital organ. It seems to be more penetrating, insidious and deadly than whiskey, because no organ or fiber escapes injury and final breakdown from it.

A number of the German railroads have, therefore, absolutely prohibited all beer drinking during working hours, and have established booths where their men can get coffee, tea, cocoa or similar drinks. It has paid richly to supply these without cost, but some of the roads charge a pfennig or a similar trifle for a cup of tea or coffee, for considerations looking to the self-respect of their men. Much of the best temperance work in the world is to-day being done in Germany, and it is all directly against the positive, manifest evils of beer drinking. It is a work that should engage the earnest efforts of every right-thinking man and woman in this country.—The National Tribune (National organ of the Grand Army of the Republic.)

"GEORGIA PERMANENTLY DRY."

(From Associated Prohibition Press.)

Meanwhile the temper of the people of Georgia grows more decided in its apparent determination to secure all the blessings which strict law-enforcement will assure them. The Georgian, Atlanta, Monday, August 26th, under the above headline says editorially:

"Our Carolina contemporaries of Charleston and Columbia are inclined to think that Prohibition in Georgia will not be permanent—that it will be short lived and full of sorrow. They are mistaken. In course of time the cities may repent and grow tired of virtue and abstemious ways. But the force that passed the Prohibition bill was the country vote. The Georgia counties have been prohibition for twenty years and will doubtless be so for fifty more. They will not repent or change. Nor will they consent to reinstate the cities in the position to override these country prohibition principles through the devilry of the jug trade.

"We have to inform our contemporaries that Georgia is permanently dry."

MILK AND ALCOHOL IN MEDICINE.

At the beginning of the seventh decade of the nineteenth century, the total expenditure for alcohol in the London hospitals was about \$40,000 a year. The expenditure for milk during a corresponding period was about \$15,000. At the present time these figures are exactly reversed. The annual expenditure for alcohol is slightly under \$15,000, while that for milk is more than \$40,000.

Commenting upon this complete reversal of feeling in physicians' minds, the Journal of the American Medical Association suggests that the contrast between the use of milk and alcohol is likely to be increased with the progress of medical science.

The decrease in the use of alcohol and the

corresponding increase in the consumption of milk represents indeed a definite principle in medication whose significance cannot be mistaken. Physicians do not esteem stimulation of the patient by any form of drugs nearly so much as formerly. Such drugs are very illusory in their effects. They affect the patient favorably for the moment, but the subsequent depression more than makes up for the previous exaltation of spirits and apparent increase of vital force.

In a word, alcohol is going out in medicine, and though, as in the case of nearly all outgrown medical remedies, it still retains a place of supposed importance in popular estimation, this is not justified by the experience and the careful observations of trained medical minds.—Independent.

A Liquor Journal, "Bar and Buffet, under the editorial headline, "What Shall we do to be Saved," says:

"Georgia has gone dry. Another great State has placed the ban upon the liquor traffic. Furthermore, those who profess to be able to read 'the handwriting on the wall,' say that all the rest of the Southern States will follow suit.

"That is the condition that confronts us. There is no theory about it. It is an undeniable and concrete fact. The prohibitionists are gaining ground steadily and rapidly.

"While our ranks are torn by internecine strife, while the straight whisky people and the rectifiers are fighting each other, while the wine men are pulling one way and the brewers another, the cohorts of total abstinence are marching steadily on.

"In their ranks there is unity, well-defined aim, singleness of purpose, enthusiasm and they all work together. In our ranks there is none of these. Instead, all is confusion. We are not only doing nothing to oppose the enemy, but we are playing into their hands by fighting among ourselves.

"Every thinking man of the liquor interests knows that this is true. The picture is not overdrawn. Prohibition is no longer a remote possibility, but a menacing probability. The movement is gathering strength like a prairie fire and spreading almost as fast and relentlessly.

"And it is our fault. We have been blind. We have refused to see. We would not understand. We would not believe. Now we have too. We cannot longer evade the issue. We have to look the facts in the face and we have to do it now—at once.

THE EPITOME OF THE GREAT REFORM.

Dr. T. Dewitt Talmage epitomized the whole battle in which we are engaged in this significant and ringing paragraph, which might well be committed to memory by every worker for God who is enlisted in the great struggle for freedom from legalized rum:

"American slavery was a pet lamb as compared with this red dragon. All the families which have been robbed of fathers and brothers and sons by the rum traffic; all the States of the Union that have been despoiled of their mightiest men; all the churches of Jesus Christ which find the chief obstacle to the advancement of religion in the appetite for strong drink; and all the intelligence, and all the patriotism, and all the enthusiasm of the land will yet pack itself into an avalanche that will come crushing down upon this, the worst evil that ever afflicted a nation. There may be many defeats before we get the final victory, but victory will come as surely as there is a God in heaven." —Texas White Ribbon.

Hon. Champ Clark in a speech before the convention of the Christian Church at Sedalia, Mo., during the last week in June, said many things concerning the past and future of our country, of course including the liquor traffic and liquor drinking. About drinking he said:

"Now, half the population of the United States are teetotalers, and one-half of the remaining half drink a drink occasionally—when convenient. Open confession is good for the soul, said the speaker, and therefore he was going to confess that for nine years he had not taken a drink during a session of Congress, for four years he had not taken a drink while in Washington, and for three years he had not touched a drop of liquor. And the reason that he had not done so was because he had a boy coming on of whom he thought more than he did of himself."

LIQUOR MEN SEE "HANDWRITING ON THE WALL."

Champion of Fair Play and Wine and Spirit Gazette add two More Strenuous Warnings to the Nation.—Wide Alarm Signals of the Whisky Press.—Leading Liquor Editor Frankly Admits the Notorious Evils Which Breed in Every Saloon.

(By Associated Prohibition Press.)

"It is an unfortunate circumstance that most wine rooms, parlors or whatever else these places off saloons where women assemble may be called, are nothing but assignation retreats and covers for social evil. They are not family resorts and it is a misnomer to call them such.—Beverages, official organ of the National Liquor League of America in leading editorial Friday, September 6, 1907."

It is impossible to list and note all the wild alarm signals of the liquor trade press in these days of rapid prohibition progress and liquor business disintegration. Two of the most significant of these utterances during the past few days are given below. The first one is from a leading editorial in the issue for September 7, 1907, of the Champion of Fair Play, Chicago, "official paper of the liquor trade of the west," whose editor, Robert J. Halle, is general secretary of the National Liquor League of the United States. Editor Halle under the editorial headline "A Look Around," says:

"An active local campaign has been started in Pennsylvania.

Georgia has gone prohibition crazy, and is even arresting people for drinking tonics in drug stores.

Unscrupulous wealth is backing cranks to have the liquor trade declared unconstitutional.

Connecticut, in its recently adjourned Legislature, passed eleven anti-liquor laws.

Missouri has given its Governor unlimited autocratic powers to attack the liquor trade by discharging liberal officials.

Kentucky is threatened with State prohibition. Ohio is threatened with prohibition.

Delaware is threatened with local-option prohibition.

The South is saddling its race questions on the liquor trade.

Demagogues are inspiring hatred against the liquor trade everywhere.

Just have a look around, ye men of the trade.

"You will need all your resources, all your grit, all your strength, and all your united power to preserve your rights and privileges against the flood tide of unreasonable and unreasoning prejudices."

Wine and Spirit Gazette Issues a "Warning."

The editor of the Wine and Spirit Gazette also is "seeing things," not in his sleep but in broad daylight, and stirred by the evident inertia of the liquor trade which has been basking so long in the sunshine of political protection that for the most part it seems utterly oblivious to the possibilities of the menacing storm clouds on the horizon, addresses the following appeal to its trade readers throughout the country:

"The license system is in peril and the business interests dependent upon its perpetuity are threatened with disaster.

"The new wave of restriction and proscription gains its impetus in the South, where the negro question haunts the white citizens unceasingly, and race hatred dominates all the relations of life.

"The growth of the no license area in the South is phenomenal."

Here the Gazette proceeds to enumerate the outlook for the liquor business in Texas, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Missouri, Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina, Kansas, Illinois and Pennsylvania, and then continues: "Let these facts speak for themselves, they cannot be made more emphatic by comment.

"What are the business interests, imperiled by this wave of prohibition, doing to turn back the destructive tide

Practically nothing.

To meet in convention, have a good time, resolve and go home.

Run a literary bureau whose literature only reaches the already convinced.

The wine producer resolves in his interest.

The distiller resolves in his interest.

The brewer is for the brewer; and the wholesaler wants the whole thing, and there you are.

The common interest and the common cause is neglected, while the crisis is here and destruction impends.

The Texas brewers were indifferent so long as (Continued on third page.)

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The State Convention will be held at LaFayette, October 11th to 15th, in Trinity M. E. Church, corner of North and Sixth Streets.

Chairman of entertainment, Mrs. Mae Williams, 213 Russell Street LaFayette. All names of delegates with their addresses should be in the hands of the chairman of entertainment before this Message is received, but if for any reason there has been unavoidable delay send by first mail.

Each delegate whose name is promptly received will be sent a card giving name and address of her hostess during the convention.

The delegates will receive free entertainment for lodging and breakfast.

When you get to LaFayette do not ask the entertainment committee to change your place of entertainment. Do not ask the entertainment committee to let you have some special friend with you. Great effort is made by the committee to provide delegates with comfortable, pleasant entertainment. It is very discourteous to say the least, not to accept graciously what is provided. If not satisfactory or if there are friends who desire to be together a boarding place should be secured.

The influence of the delegates in the homes is expected to advance temperance sentiment and righteousness. Tact and discretion by guests in homes can accomplish much for our blessed cause.

Upon arrival in LaFayette delegates will go right to their places of entertainment. The entertainment cards received by the delegates will give the name and address of hostess. This will enable the delegates to take their baggage right from train or car to their place of entertainment. Delegates should plan to be on time for the opening of the convention on Friday morning at nine o'clock.

Tax Assessments for next year's taxes are being made up and the burden of crime and pauperism must be provided for in the levy. When will farmers and decent people get enough of the prime source of crime and pauperism with its cost and misery. In some localities the liquor traffic has been outlawed through the bunglesome remonstrance plan; but the tax burden goes on in these communities. The State penitentiary, asylums, reformatories, and, in most counties, criminal prosecutions, maintenance of jails and poor houses are kept up with

taxes from townships which can proudly boast of no saloon. We are so interrelated in our social compact that nothing short of utter annihilation of the liquor traffic everywhere will give relief.

Remonstrances should be circulated in every township and city ward of Indiana; but do not stop with this work. The burden ought to be placed on the liquor traffic so long as it is allowed to live by the grace of its political friends. Moreover, we should profit by the assurance of the Supreme Court and of the Governor of the State, that the whole business can be abolished by the Legislature. Would it not be a shorter cut to pay attention to the election of a legislature pledged to do what the Supreme Court says it alone can accomplish. Even a respectable minority of Republicans, Democrats and Prohibitionists sent to the next session, pledged to introduce and work for a prohibition measure would work wonders. Let us try for this.

Keep Them Out by constant agitation in communities where the liquor sellers have been forced to leave. Nothing continues to live when it ceases to grow. One condition of all organic life is growth. If we keep saloons out we must continue to pay the price. Work and enlarge faith until the whole State and Nation shall be freed.

Beer as a food is the last straw on which the drowning business of poisoning its victims, cling with hope of deceiving an intelligent public. This antiquated assumption has been thoroughly disproved and German chemists, as well as scientific men of other lands have demonstrated the worthlessness of rotted grain, when destroyed in its life sustaining properties, through the decomposition of the brewers vat.

Our State Convention ought to be very large in attendance. One of the handsomest churches of LaFayette has been provided. The ladies are making every preparation. We have trolley car advantages every hour for most of the State direct to LaFayette. Let us plan to go in great numbers. Take the young people. They must very soon fill our places.

High License must be fought. Please ask your voting husband, friend and brother to watch the dilemma in which the politician now finds himself. On one hand, the better class of people who are in large majority want the saloon abolished. The politician knows this and is afraid to resist the rising tide. On the other hand the saloon men are looking for a way to escape and live. The politician knows this and hears their cry. What can be done to keep both elements in line. A plan has been struck and will be worked for all it is worth in this State. Denounce the saloon, anathematize the business, and please and deceive the temperance people. But suggest high license and make a way for escape for the liquor man. Rob the robbers, the criminal makers, the pauper mills, but do not deceive them—let them live and win the plaudits and help of the business that ought to die. But the politician says the liquor dealer opposes high license. So does the murderer oppose a life sentence; but one convicted and sentenced to hang he begs for the thing he has opposed. The people have convicted the liquor traffic—the politician now proposes to commute the sentence to high license. Let us oppose this policy and go on to prohibition and be rid of the infamous traffic.

TO NASHVILLE, TENN.

The National W. C. T. U. Convention will be held in Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 8th to 13th. Great preparations are being made for a large convention. The Southern States will be largely represented. Every person interested in our temperance work is invited to attend this convention. Young people will be greatly interested in and benefited by the attendance of such a convention.

Take the boys and girls! Urge good men to attend the convention! Every white ribboner who can possibly do so should attend his National Convention.

Nashville is nearer to us than any place where the National Convention has been held for years. Fare for the round trip from Indianapolis will be a few cents less than \$16.00.

The Indiana delegates and visitors will leave Indianapolis at 8:10 a. m., Nov. 6th, arriving the same evening in Nashville. The White Ribboners, L. T. L's and all temperance friends of all ages are invited to join this Indiana party going to Nashville. No sleeper fare. Take well filled lunch basket. We will leave Indianapolis via Pennsylvania R. R., going to Louisville, there we take the Louisville & Nashville road which takes us through some of the finest of the Blue Grass Country, and over the mountains of Kentucky and Tennessee. Arrange to join our party. Invite your friends to go with you. For further particulars concerning the trip write (Mrs.) Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.

The Georgia Legislature voted for State prohibition with one hundred majority. The prohibition law will go into effect Jan. 1, 1908. Indiana W. C. T. U. rejoices and takes new courage.

Westport W. C. T. U.—Wednesday the 28th was a great day for the W. C. T. U. of this section of Decatur County. We held an all day meeting at the old settlers' reunion, near Westport. The president of the Westport Union, Mrs. J. G. Brengle, had charge of the program in the forenoon. The Greensburg and Westport unions held a joint silver medal contest, which was very interesting. In the afternoon Senator Mattingly and Hon. Felix McWhirter debated on temperance and prohibition. The debate was very entertaining and instructive. The addresses were listened to with much attention and thoughtful consideration by a large crowd of voters.

Mrs. Mary Brengle.

POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES IN TAXATION OF SPIRITS.

The first taxation of spirits was in 1791, and varied in amount from 9 to 25 cents per gallon, according to the degree of strength. This taxation continued till 1800, when it was repealed on the recommendation of Thomas Jefferson.

It was renewed as a war measure in 1813 and repealed in 1818.

For forty-four years spirits were free of all tax.

In July, 1862, the tax was again imposed as a war measure and fixed at 20 cents per proof gallon.

On March 17, 1864, it was raised to 60 cents per gallon.

On July 1, 1864, it was raised to \$1.50 per gallon.

On January 1, 1865, it was raised again to \$2 per gallon.

1868 it was reduced to 50 cents and increased in 1872 to 70 cents. Increased again in 1875 to 90 cents, and on August the 28th, 1894, increased to \$1.10 per proof gallon, where it now stands.—Penn. W. C. T. U. Bulletin.

To Editor The Message:

The Western Grove Union is sorry to report the death of Mrs. Charity B. Toms, who departed this life August 4th. She was a valued member of this Union and of the Friends' Church at Westland. During the latter part of her life she was unable to attend the meetings on account of poor health, but she had a deep interest in the work until the last. She leaves to mourn her departure a husband and a stepson. From your sister in Christ, Mrs. Mary J. Coffin, Greenfield.

NOTICE TO DELEGATES ARRIVING ON INTERURBAN CARS.

Dear Sisters—Owing to the frequent arrival of the interurban trains it was thought best by the committee not to meet any of them. Both lines enter the city on the same track. Local cars stop at Sixth street. Get off there. Walk two blocks north, which will bring you to the door of the convention church. Those coming on limited cars will have to get off at Fifth street, making one block farther to walk.

Mae Williams, 213 Russell Street.
Chairman of Entertainment Committee.

All County L. T. L's Y's holding banners will they please send them to Mrs. F. R. Senry, 526 Perrin avenue, LaFayette, chairman of committee on church decoration.

(Associated Prohibition Press.)

The Rev. H. C. Morrison, D. D., in an editorial in his paper, "The Pentecostal Herald, of Louisville, Ky., says: "The Georgia Legislature has passed an iron clad Prohibition law by one hundred majority. Good for Georgia. She has done a noble work for herself and set a splendid example for other states to follow.

"Yes, the law will be enforced. The people mean business. The bar-keeping, loafing, drinking, thieving gang of whiskyites had as well learn at once that the time has come for them, to change their habits or pack up and move to Chicago. Georgia, Tennessee, Alabama, the Carolinas, Texas, Mississippi and Florida are all falling into line.

"And, thank God, old Kentucky is coming to the front, sweeping everything before, to the bank of the Ohio river. We serve notice now on Indiana, Ohio and Illinois that they may get ready to receive our drunkards, distillers, barkeepers and thugs, brewers and the whole gang of murderers and murder makers. Of course, if you don't want them, meet them at your bank, warn them off and let them float down the river. They need the water cure badly.

"Let every true friend of the cause of temperance in Kentucky go to the polls this year and put in a straight Prohibition vote, and we will give old whisky a staggering blow, which will be the beginning of the end. Come on, men, let's hit him one lick that will count for all time to come."

THE MESSAGE.

C. E. WORLD SYMPOSIUM.

From Associated Prohibition Press.

The Christian Endeavor World symposium, which was open to all subscribers, whatever their personal views, resulted in an astonishing indictment of the local-option movement from both practical and theoretical viewpoints. Out of interesting replies from sixteen correspondents, in eight different States, fourteen including the three prize winners, strongly preferred State Prohibition to local option and pointedly criticized the weak features of "local option," while only two attempted any defense of the local option plan.

This is more remarkable in view of the fact that local option is just now apparently in the very height of its popularity. The Christian Endeavor World Symposium being freely open to both sides was thus a remarkable reflection of the growing dissatisfaction of Christian people with the "local option" idea as applied to the liquor issue.

The leading arguments in the Christian Endeavor World Symposium were as follows:

AGAINST LOCAL OPTION.

1. "Local option is a movement forward, to be sure, but what is the use of crawling ahead like a baby, when it is possible to step out like a man."
2. "Local option is optional. There should be no option in the matter of a crime. The 'traffic' is a crime."
3. "A city or town may vote by a large majority for no license and the next year by as large majority vote for license."
4. "It is more easy for those who drink to get supplied in neighboring towns where they have a license."
5. "Because the liquor traffic is not local. It permeates the State; you cannot solve a State question by a local measure."
6. "Local option permits the 'traffic' to remain organized in its interests in the State, and is thus on the ground to improve the first opportunity to reclaim lost territory."
7. "Under most local-option laws opportunity comes every two years when, under certain conditions, a new vote can be taken. Thus local option is constantly in politics, and settles nothing permanently."
8. "If we had local option there would be very little difference in the number of saloons. The country districts where there are few saloons would abolish those, but the cities would continue to license the greatest evil the nation has faced."
9. "A town may vote continuously for no-license, but may be so surrounded by license communities that its action is practically nullified."
10. "Local option is a great deal like a bowling alley no sooner are the pins set up than they are bowled over again. No sooner are we done fighting and winning local option than we must go around and stir up the same 'dry's' again."

FOR STATE PROHIBITION.

1. "State Prohibition is the more desirable, for the reason that it affects a larger area than local option."
2. "Some people might say that State prohibition does not ensure the removal of the 'hell gates,' since in States where prohibitory laws have been enacted the traffic in souls goes merrily on. This may be true, but it cannot be laid at the door of prohibition. Elect officers who will perform their sworn duties and then there will be no saloons in States, where, by the will of the people and the action of the legislators they are declared to be 'legally dead.'"
3. "State prohibition is more permanent, especially if the law is part of the constitution."
4. "State prohibition is local option for the reason that State territory is only enlarged local territory, and in itself is local as compared, for instance, with all the other States. Let us have local option by all means, but let the term cover as many square miles of territory as possible."
5. "Experience teaches that State restrictive laws are vastly more effective than town laws. Every no license community is a mark for certain brewers and distillers, who have ways of crawling over, under, or through the fence to make a market for their goods."
6. State prohibition outlaws the manufacture and sale within the State. Local option outlaws simply the sale (or saloons), and leaves the brewery and distillery untouched; it cuts off the limb, but leaves trunk and roots to flourish."
7. "The State is taxed to build charitable institutions and penitentiaries. She should control the greatest factor in filling them."

SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE.

Dear Comrades:

Milestones in progress are reached and passed. The first milestone in the work of Scientific Temperance Instruction was reached when the passage of laws made the study of Physiology and Hygiene, with special reference to the influence of stimulants and narcotics upon the human system, compulsory in the public schools of our states and territories. And still another was passed when suitable text-books were provided for such teaching.

Yet we must not be satisfied with legislation alone. The same self-sacrifice that was demanded in the securing of these laws is today demanded in their defense, and their enforcement, while our text-books must be watched over as jealously as a mother watches over the honor of her child. And still more a suitable length of time must be given for the teaching of this study, with not less than forty lessons per year.

But while attending to these things most carefully and systematically, it will be well for us to begin a great task that must be accomplished; for the physical as well as the moral life of the millions of children in the public schools depends upon the way in which Scientific Temperance Instruction is given. In other words the problem confronting us today is how best to reach the army of teachers in the United States and enable them to realize their great opportunities and what should be done in meeting them. We must win the teacher to see the reasonableness of this instruction, as the whole trend of the age is in this direction.

Therefore we urge:

- (1.) That the subject of Scientific Temperance Instruction be presented at the meetings of every Teachers' Association, both National and State.
 - (2.) At all State and county institutes.
 - (3.) At all assemblies of teachers gathered either for examination or summer schools.
- Again, we recognize the fact that the unfamiliarity of this study in its "pedagogic form" is a chief reason for teachers objecting to it, therefore we ask that universities, colleges and normal schools be visited and urged to give special prominence to this study in order that the coming teacher may be better fitted for this line of instruction.

Still further in carrying out this educational campaign, we must appeal to our right hand supporter, the Church of God. The Presbyterian Church has already, through its temperance committee, undertaken this work. But every pastor, in every church should be asked to present the subject of Scientific Temperance Instruction, at least once a year to his congregation in order that the people may become informed as to its far-reaching importance.

We also urge that at the annual school meetings some well-prepared person present the subject of Scientific Temperance Instruction, the school board to pay especial attention to this teaching. And in order that this shall be accomplished, great interest should be taken in the character of the men and women who shall constitute our school boards.

As in this study the teacher needs every available help, we ask that all local unions subscribe for a sufficient number of copies of "The Crusader Monthly" to place one in the hands of every teacher in the grades. Two full pages of "The Crusader Monthly" in addition to the anti-cigarette page will now be devoted to truths and illustrations, and the whole paper will prove of great assistance to teachers. The paper costs but twenty-five cents a year, and many teachers, if solicited, will doubtless make their own subscriptions.

And now, my sisters, I beseech you, not to allow one school in city, or village, or country to be without an efficient W. C. T. U. superintendent who shall visit it at the hour when Scientific Temperance Instruction is given at least once a month. See to it that she has as many helpers as needed in the cities, and let the teachers feel assured that nothing is taught in the schools that commands more profound interest.

Finally, my sisters, let us this year plan for a great educational prize contest to be conducted as follows: Let every local union offer a prize for the best essay on "The Value of Total Abstinence to a Life." Let there be two prizes, first and second. Make the first, if possible, seven dollars, the second three. Let the essays be confined to the seventh and eighth grades, and the first year high-school, or if there are nine grades, to the three highest grades. Then let every county offer a prize of the same amount for the best essay in the county. Let every state offer a prize for the best essay in the state. And the National W. C. T. U., through its superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction, offers a prize of fifty dollars for the best state essay. Also the World's W. C. T. U. offers a prize of fifty dollars for the best international essay written on this theme by a pupil under the second year of the high school, during the years 1907 and 1908.

Local, County, State, National, and World's Superintendents will each severally make their

own arrangements for the contests.

Faithfully yours,

(Mrs.) Edith Smith Davis.

National Superintendent Scientific Temperance Instruction.

If copies of this Message are desired for county or local superintendents they may be had at thirty-five cents per hundred.

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remote counties were voting dry because they could sell in the center of population.

The Georgia brewers thought that the dry wave couldn't strike their territory, but it did.

The complacent stupidity of these people was marvelous, but no more so than that of the great brewing centers of the North.

Pay heed to the facts.

When the majority representation in the Georgia Legislature represented dry counties, Georgia enacted prohibition.

Texas will follow suit. Tennessee, Kentucky, Mississippi and other Southern States will fall in line.

The next line of battle will be in Washington, in the United States Congress.

The Southern Representatives will be controlled by their prohibition constituency, the Senators the same; the Representatives from Northern prohibition States and no license districts being in the majority, all revenue and inter-state commerce laws will be in line with the prohibition policy.

What will the complacent brewers and dealers of New York, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin and other brewing centers do when the Washington avalanche descends upon them?

The anti-license policy is intelligent, concrete, consistent. The opposition has no policy, is disintegrated, chaotic. The gift of prophecy is not required to declare the result. Gentlemen of the trade, what are you going to do about it? On the Great Clock of time there is but one word—'Now.' By the Street of By and By one arrives at the house of Never. 'On Time,' is the cry of progress. 'Too late,' is the groan of failure."

The Liquor Trade Getting Its Eyes Opened to Its Own Abominations."

No more remarkable article has appeared in recent magazines than the confession (although it may not have been intended as such) of J. Fanning O'Reilly, editor of Beverages, in a six-column statement on "The Growth of Prohibition and Local Option" in the Independent for September 5th. It is certainly a notable idea of the editor of this progressive weekly to ask Mr. O'Reilly for his views on the liquor question, but even he must have been somewhat staggered as he editorially admits, at the surprising candor of the liquor editor in drawing a picture of the present condition of the liquor trade which could scarcely be excelled in blackness by a radical prohibitionist journalist. Commenting upon Mr. O'Reilly's article, the Independent says, "Were the Sioux Indians to give a name to Mr. O'Reilly, it would be 'The man-afraid-of-his-saloons.'"

In his article Mr. O'Reilly frankly admits that the saloons have "offended public sentiment;" they have been without check or regulation;" "the business as a whole is in bad repute;" "the brewers of Indiana have voted to close up two thousand saloons in that State." Indeed, "The representatives of its various sections have convened in successive years at different places and passed perfunctory resolutions pointing at the legality of their business, its moral status, etc., but all of this counted for naught in the face of the ocular evidence presented by the existence of dives, back rooms, assignation parlors, gambling rooms, hand-books, and such like evil adjuncts of a legalized business."

To show that editor O'Reilly was not trying to "stuff" the editor or the readers of the Independent in his article in that journal, we quote the following from the leading editorial in Mr. O'Reilly's own paper, Beverages, Friday, September 6, 1907.

"Various forms of viciousness seem to fasten to the liquor traffic with the tenacity of barnacles. The reform of the saloon and the elimination of the dive and such like efforts may not head off the wave of prohibition now spreading over this republic, but these steps can certainly help some."

"House cleaning must go on, however, if the industry is to set itself right in public esteem."

"It is an unfortunate circumstance that most wine rooms, parlors or whatever else these places off saloons where women assemble may be called, are nothing but assignation retreats and covers for the social evil. They are not family resorts, and it is a misnomer to call them such. No saloonkeeper who has adjuncts of this character to his business is entitled to public consideration, and no business that tolerates them can be otherwise than looked down upon and scorned."

"A saloon has no more right to be 'sporty' headquarters than a grocery store. Such conditions bring the business into disrepute."

Two Governors (Hoke Smith and "Joe" Folk) speak strong words on prohibition and law enforcement.

FIELD NEWS

Red Key Union entertained in honor of our State Treasurer, Miss Clara Sears. The floral decorations and music were beautiful and appropriate. Miss Sears spoke very entertainingly on "Mothers' Responsibility," after which elegant refreshments were served. There were about seventy-five representative ladies present.

Seymour.—A feast of good things was enjoyed recently when the Seymour Union was favored with noted guests. On July 24th, a mothers' meeting was held, which was addressed by Miss Carrie Heaton, a returned missionary from Japan, who graphically contrasted women's condition in that country and our own.

On August 24th, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, our State Vice-President and State Lecturer, addressed the Union at the home of Mrs. Conner, speaking particularly of the World's W. C. T. U. Convention.

On Sunday, August 25th, Mrs. Stanley spoke in the morning at the Methodist Church and in the evening at the German M. E. Church. The evening service being short in order that all might hear the Rev. Sam Small.

There was a large attendance at the services. All who listened to her address felt the liquor problem was indeed the great question before the people today, involving as it does, all others. As she delivered her words of warning, she gave fact after fact none could gainsay. She also gave encouraging notes of victory all over the State. Eight members were added.

Seymour W. C. T. U. met August 28th at the home of Mrs. S. H. Huffman. Good attendance. "History of Temperance Work" given by Mrs. Keller from a young girls' beginning through young womanhood, wearing the red and blue ribbons, until now she has worn the white, "best loved of all," longer than anyone in the city. Notes of the State convention that brought Miss Willard to the city were given. Mrs. Pfaffenberger enumerated in a masterly manner the many problems confronting the twentieth century, including the drink problem. Report given of Brownstown meeting. Important business transacted and one new member added to roll.

The Boys' Magazine, which is the official organ of the National Anti-Cigarette League is published at room 1119 Woman's Temple, Chicago. Price fifty cents per annum. In clubs of four or more twenty-five cents each. This low subscription rate brings it within the reach of every home. Send for sample copy, five cents each.

Our Messenger, of Kansas, describes how the Eldorado Union entertains the elderly ladies annually with a dinner. At their last "Annual Dinner" there were nine ladies present who were over eighty years old, two of them being over ninety years old. The dinner was at a hospitable home and the decorations consisted of autumn leaves and chrysanthemums. The good dinner, the hospitality and a little program was enjoyed. Some old hymns and songs were especially appropriate and recalled pleasant memories.

The Floyd County W. C. T. U. annual institute was held at Galena, under the able leadership of Mrs. Ella Kroft. Mrs. Jones, the county president, opened the regular program with a talk on plans for pushing the work, which was followed by a resume of the work of the Indiana W. C. T. U. and the Hadley Industrial School.

Mrs. Hanswald welcomed the leader in behalf of the Floyd county workers. Mrs. Kroft responding in her pleasing and characteristic style.

Officers were appointed: Recording Secretary, Mrs. Swift. Reporter, Mrs. Hanswald. Committee on Resolutions, Mr. McKinney. On Membership and Registration, Mrs. Gardner.

The County President led a discussion on appliances and preparation needed for W. C. T. U. work.

The subject of school savings banks was taken up, set forth the importance of training the young in habits of thrift and economy.

An oratorical silver medal contest was held in the evening, Miss Leah Davis being the successful contestant.

Among the many interesting subjects of the second day's program, were, plans to be adopted to get the subject of temperance before the Sunday Schools and how the Sunday Schools can assist in temperance work; Sabbath Desecration; Building a Living Monument to Frances Willard, and Why Study a Digest of the State Laws?

Mrs. McKinney read an original paper on "The Morning Scene. Mr. Swift had for discussion, "This Year's Legislation and the Hopeful Outlook," and the Rev. McKinney, "The Boy and the Cigarette."

Mrs. Kroft closed the afternoon with an instructive talk on medical temperance. In the evening a Senior L. T. L. was organized with Mrs. Pritchard as Superintendent.

The Bright W. C. T. U. held a public meeting in the M. E. Church on Sunday evening, August 11th. Rev. Long, pastor of the Christian Church at Harrison, Ohio, delivered an eloquent and instructive lecture on "Scientific Temperance" in the M. E. Church at Bright on Sunday, August 25th.

Mrs. Sarah Bonham.

Owen County.—The annual convention was held at Gosport, August 28th. All of the unions were represented. Attendance good and meetings full of enthusiasm. Papers on "Why the Men Should Belong," and "Jail and Prison Work," were read. Some recitations were given and some good music rendered. A memorial service was held in honor of Miss Anna Hudson, who recently died and who was a charter member of the Stanley Union of Carp. Mrs. Lura Hyden Boleyn of Peoria, Ill., was present and conducted a question box that was very interesting and helpful.

Nettie A. Stone, Secretary.

Oklahoma Votes for Prohibition.—September 17th is the day set for Oklahoma to vote on the new State constitution. Our W. C. T. U. of that State has waged a constant war against the liquor traffic and now they have issued a call to prayer for that day, and their unions are asking the unions of all the States to join them. Women of Indiana, we can pray. Let us definitely set apart Sept. 17th for the prayer for constitutional prohibition for Oklahoma.

South Bend.—Colfax Avenue Union entertained the unions of the city at a thimble Wednesday afternoon, August 28th, at the beautiful home of Mrs. F. L. Axtell. The program, which was in charge of Mrs. Axtell, comprised several musical selections, both vocal and instrumental, and two drills, one parliamentary, the other in the form of a parlor play, was quite unparliamentary and very amusing. Light refreshments were served after the program. About fifty ladies were present.

Mrs. W. M. Weld.

Oak Chapel Union's (Grant County) president, Mrs. Cora Osborne, was given a surprise party by the union on her birthday, July 26th, at her beautiful country home. The surprise was well planned. All met at the home of one of the members, Mrs. Rachel Maddox, a neighbor, and went in a body to Mrs. Osborne's home. The surprise was greatly enjoyed. A sumptuous picnic dinner was set upon tables out under the trees by the ladies, all of whom had brought well filled lunch baskets.

The dinner was greatly enjoyed by all, including the men at work on the farm. After which an interesting program was given consisting of mandolin solos by the Misses Belle Johnson, Ruby Coats, Nellie Hudson; recitation by Dasie Oliver and a song by little Jeneabee Coats.

The day was greatly enjoyed by all. There were 64 persons present. This union meets once a month at the homes. The average attendance for the year has been eleven. Considering that many live six miles, being farmers wives, sometimes the roads are bad and the horses in use, this average attendance indicates deep interest and unflinching faith. The Oak Chapel Union was organized Nov. 20, 1904, with 11 members; now there are 33 regular and 8 honorary members. Some have been lost by removal. The death of the secretary, Alice Stout, was a serious loss.

The Jackson County Convention met September 10th at the First Baptist Church in Seymour. There was a good attendance from several parts of the county.

Officers of the county convention for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

Mrs. W. F. Pfaffenberger, Seymour, president; Mrs. H. E. Kathmann, Brownstown, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Grace Beldon, Crothersville, recording secretary; Mrs. R. R. Short, Rockford, treasurer; Mrs. C. R. Hoffman, Seymour, superintendent of evangelistic work; Mrs. Enos, Rockford, superintendent of medal contest; Mrs. R. R. Short, Rockford, superintendent of Sabbath Observance; Mrs. F. Teckmeyer, Seymour, superintendent of mothers' meeting; Mrs. S. H. Huffman, Seymour, superintendent of scientific temperance instruction; Miss Lou Van Horn, Seymour, superintendent of press work.

The solo by Miss Anna Carter, sung with sympathy and bringing out the beauty of thought and words, was a great pleasure to the convention.

In the evening an address was delivered at the church by C. E. Newlin, the noted temperance lecturer. His speech was heard with interest by a fair sized audience. Music was furnished by the boys orchestra, led by Prof. Norton. They rendered several numbers in a most acceptable manner pleasing both the speaker and audience.

Wayne County W. C. T. U. Convention was held in Fountain City, September 10th, and in spite of the rain there was a good attendance. There were five crusaders present, white ribbons tried and true. The morning was occupied by reports and an election of officers, which resulted in the re-election of those who have served the past year. During the noon hour a bounteous repast was served in Willard Hall, the new headquarters of Fountain City Union. The afternoon program was full and interesting. Mrs. Hartley, county president gave an excellent address on "Woman's Work and Responsibility," showing that the work of the W. C. T. U. has not only accomplished great good in society, but has resulted in marvelous development of woman herself. The symposium on "Why I am a Member of the W. C. T. U.," was full of good suggestions. Our well-known honorary brother, Aaron Worth, was present, and cheered us with a short

speech in his own happy way of saying things. Miss Mary Woodward spoke on the power and influence of the press. She showed how it is being used by the liquor men to educate the people in the use of their products and urged that the W. C. T. U. make a greater use of this powerful means to enlighten the people as to the real nature and effects of all alcoholic beverages. A symposium on "Why I am a member of the W. C. T. U.," elicited a number of bright enthusiastic responses. Wayne County W. C. T. U. women begin the new year with fresh courage and renewed faith that "Woman's Cause Shall Win."

Dubois County W. C. T. U. Institute was held at Ireland, at the M. E. Church, April 25th and 26th. On Friday the 26th at 10 o'clock the meeting was called to order by Mrs. Kroft.

Several of the members gave short talks. Miss Maud Lemmon was made reporter of the institute. Miss Nellie Greene was appointed to take names of those who attended the institute. Mrs. Kroft gave a short talk on things needed and things not needed at the Hadley Industrial School. Short talk on temperance in the Sunday School by Miss Maud Lemmon. The afternoon session was called to order by singing. Discussion of Sabbath desecration and talk on flower mission. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Carrie Pettit, Birdseye; vice-president, Mrs. Kate Lee, Ireland; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Highfill, Birdseye; recording secretary, Mrs. Flora Root, Ireland; treasurer, Miss Maud Lemmon; secretary L. T. L., Mrs. Mary Zimmer, Birdseye. Superintendents of Departments—Miss Blanche Glezen, flower missions; Miss Maud Lemmon, systematic giving; Mrs. Marietta Green, Sabbath observance; Mrs. Jennie Lemon, contest work; Miss Mand Lemmon, evangelistic; Miss Genevieve Williams, temperance in Sunday School; Miss Kate Lee, assistant temperance in Sunday School; Miss C. Lessie Dillon, narcotics. Address by Mrs. Kroft on the World's and National conventions. At 7:30 o'clock Mrs. Kroft preached an excellent sermon, which was enjoyed by all present.

Flora Root, Secretary.

"Tennessee—Prohibition has made its master stroke in this State and the people seem to have temporarily gone daft."

"In Ohio it is not to be disputed that the area of 'dry' territory is steadily on the increase."

Mrs. Cammack-Gibson has had a trip to Rockport and Liberty Chapel, Ohio, where she preached three times and delivered two temperance addresses.

There will be a diamond medal contest at the State Convention by young men.

VERSES OF CHEER.

Twelve choice poems of comfort suitable for Flower Mission use, for shut-ins, and for tokens of remembrance.

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A new temperance song, "Victory Will Come," by Lyman F. Jackson. A good stirring composition arranged for quartette or chorus. Single copy six cents postpaid; twelve copies forty cents postpaid; fifty copies \$1.25 postpaid.

Headquarters W. C. T. U. supplies, Miss Ruby I. Gilbert, 131 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.

IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. Harriet Isabelle Jordan was born March 26, 1830, and died August 26, 1907. She united with the First Baptist Church of this city in 1841 and through life showed to the world what it means to be a Christian. In the death of Mrs. Jordan the cause of temperance loses one of its staunchest friends and most tireless workers. Mrs. Jordan was identified with the Meridian Woman's Christian Temperance Union from its organization in February, 1886. She was actively interested in the effort made by this Union to secure a matron at the police station who would have charge of the women and children detained there. Later she worked just as faithfully to establish the Rescue Mission and Door of Hope. The funeral services were held August 29th, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Wallace Sherwood, No. 2519 N. Delaware Street.

Again death has entered the ranks of the Meridian W. C. T. U. and taken its faithful superintendent of Flower Mission Work, Mrs. Mary Howard Wheeler, who died September 4th. As the flowers and scripture texts she distributed quietly carried their messages of love and cheer, so did Mrs. Wheeler's labor for the Master in many lines of Christian service, but especially in the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. With unselfish devotion to duty, and with consecrated co-operation, Mrs. Wheeler helped her husband, the Rev. W. V. Wheeler, make the Rescue Mission and Home what it is to-day—one of the greatest powers for good this city has ever known. Who can measure the influence of such a life?

Mrs. Wheeler was laid to rest September 6th, amid the flowers she had loved and used to brighten and strengthen the lives of the unfortunate and neglected.

Mrs. Margaret Kidd entered into life August 20th, just as the morning light was breaking. Lawrenceburg W. C. T. U. sustained a serious loss in this home-going of our beloved sister. But she will be missed everywhere. The home is lonely without her, the church has its vacant seat, the boys in the Sunday School say there is no other teacher like her. We pray that her mantle will fall on some one, and though the workman has been called home, the work will still go on.

Death has again invaded our circle, this time in the person of the venerable Wm. C. Levering, an aged and highly esteemed gentleman, he being an honorary member of the Central W. C. T. U. He was a very energetic S. S. worker as well as in all temperance movements.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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REPORTS OF STATE SUPERINTENDENTS OF DEPARTMENTS.

W. C. T. U. Normal Institutes—Mrs. Rose Pearce, Superintendent.

Thirty-nine institutes held. Results in membership were to W. C. T. Unions, 161; Y. W. C. T. U., 17; honoraries, 47. Making a total of 225 members. Unions organized, 2; L. T. L's, 5; Y. Unions, 1. Subscribers to Union Signal, 82; other papers, 206. For this year Mrs. Pearce urges every county and local president to early make definite plans for the institute.

Mothers' Meetings—Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Supt.

Mothers' meetings held, 128; with 2,155 women under their influences; 12,684 pages of literature distributed, of which Grant County takes the lead, having through her two Superintendents distributed 5,013; 255 American Motherhoods taken, of which Blackford County reports 83; 17 purity sermons; Grant County reports 8; 33 original papers, for which Elkhart reports 8; also the greatest number of mothers won for the W. C. T. U. through this department. There are 7 W. R. C. Rolls reported; Decatur County reports 23 children enrolled; 10 cities report curfews.

I sent blanks and literature to 71 County and Local Superintendents; letters written for this work, 33; cards, 12; articles sent to Message, 3.

Press Department—Miss Laura G. Cammack, Superintendent.

That the Press work is helping to educate the people of Indiana is an indisputable fact, and gains many new members for our blessed cause.

Some most excellent reports have come to my desk, and at this, the close of another year's work, while others are not so good, and, I fear that all work has not been reported.

Can any Superintendent expect to see her Union benefitted much by the Press work if she fails to do her duty, and only furnishes one or two notices or reports during the year?

To be sure not. But, oh, what golden opportunities are lost by that Superintendent, and who knows what good she might have done had she made use of her pen and the columns of the papers at hand, for the editors who refuse to use your articles, etc., are very scarce these days.

As in other years, Grant County has the best press report for the year, with a record of 641 items, 65 articles, 325 notices; 10 press meetings and 10,088 lines printed.

If every county in Indiana had such a Press Superintendent as Grant County has, the membership of the W. C. T. U. would be more than doubled in six months' time.

Whitney, Blackford, Wayne, Elkhart, Tippecanoe, Allen and Wells Counties have good reports, and they and others not so good are unanimous in the assertion that the Press work has helped the work of the Unions in their counties and localities.

People will and must read the papers, and if our work is well reported and advertised in the daily and weekly papers it is bound to be read and have its influence.

May God help us, dear Sisters, to see and appreciate the great opportunities which are ours for this grand work of the Press, and to redouble our energies for another year, and do a work which will not only reflect credit on our organization, but which will mean the strengthening of our forces a hundred fold against our common enemy, the legalized saloon.

Scientific Temperance Instruction—Mrs. Mattie C. Gibson, Superintendent.

Much interest has been shown this year in most of the counties reporting. The recently

adopted physiologies, Conn series, are in general use, and the law respected in county and village schools more than larger places. The success of the work always depends on the qualification and interest of the teacher. So "the teacher helped" should be the slogan of this department.

St. Joe County, Mrs. Ethel Bair, superintendent, visited the School Board in regard to one of the teachers who smoked in the presence of his pupils, and also placed a picture of Mrs. Hunt in the High School.

Mrs. Meadows did fine work in Evansville among the teachers, taking subscriptions to the Crusader Monthly, distributed 50 copies of State laws.

Marion County, Mrs. Nellie Fox, superintendent, made 80 visits to public schools and met with the Indianapolis School Board and prayed for more time for the subject. Will ask for a special department teacher for scientific temperance. Crusader Monthly subscriptions, 80; literature, 2,400 pages; lectures, 35; public school visits, 140; copies of laws given teachers, 112; press articles, 22; essays, 10; presented 10 insti-

heat and cold, bright days and dark ones, in success or failure, I have done my very best for the advancement of this department.

All of the methods of other years have been vigorously pushed and special emphasis has been placed upon the observance of the "April Week of Prayer."

In South Bend the Y. W. C. A., the Y. M. C. A. and the Young People's City Union (representing thirty young people's societies of the city), united with the W. C. T. U. in holding a noontide service each day of the week. The churches were kept open continuously from Monday morning until Saturday night, so that passersby might go in, at any hour and worship. The public press has given liberal space to our articles and there has been a general awakening along all lines.

Much thought is being given to a scientific investigation of the practical and material benefits of the Christian Sabbath, and employers and workmen are now realizing that the Divine law cannot be violated without injury and loss to both. If the 200 bones of the human body are to be strong and regular; the 400 pairs of muscles fully developed; the circulation kept normal, and the brain and nervous system active and accurate, that they may each perform their

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THE CANTEEN CRISIS.

The resolutions of the National Army and Navy Union at their recent convention favoring the restoration of the Army beer Canteen, together with the recent recommendation of it by Geo. A. W. Greeley in his annual report, brings the Canteen Question squarely before the country. Many of the daily papers are having favorable editorials. Most of the popular magazine articles on the army contain favorable words for the Canteen. Besides many paid items of "news" in the daily press favoring the Canteen all show that a powerful propaganda is at work in behalf of the Canteen, trying to deceive the public as to the real facts in the case, and to create a public sentiment favorable for its restoration by next Congress, in the regular Army and in the various Soldiers Homes—notwithstanding the fact that such distinguished generals as Miles, Shafter, Joe Wheeler, Daggett, Ludlow, Howard, Boynton, Wilcox, Stanley and Guy V. Henry have strongly opposed the Canteen.

Beyond all question we shall have to fight this Canteen battle all over again in Congress this winter. The crisis is now upon us. Immediate efforts must be put forth to stem this tide setting in favorable to the Canteen. The public needs to get the real truth about this Canteen question. Accordingly the Reform Bureau through the undersigned, has published a small neat edition in a 16 page pamphlet of Gen. A. S. Daggett's famous discussion of the Canteen question. It is the story of General Daggett's own personal experience and observation though many years

of the actual workings of the Canteen. It is the most overwhelming refutation of the pro-canteen arguments that has been given to the public. It is unanswerable. General Daggett's high personal character and his long, active and honorable career in the army make him an unquestioned authority on the subject.

We are particularly anxious to send free copies of this document to all clergymen, army officers, members of Congress and State Legislatures, to thousands of editors and to tens of thousands of leaders in the nation. We need right now \$5,000 or \$10,000 or more with which to press this campaign. The postage alone will require a large sum. Already many friends have sent in small contributions for this battle, but as yet we have scarcely funds enough available to cover one good sized state. Will not the Christian and temperance forces of the land come to our relief quickly with contributions for this urgent Campaign?

Yours for battle and victory,

Rev. Bennetts C. Miller, Field Sec'y.

Address: 145 High Street, Hartford, Conn.



MRS. CULLA J. VAYHINGER, State President, Hartsville, Indiana.

tutes; addresses, 32; special meetings, 33; receptions to teachers, 2.

Sabbath Observance—Mrs. Kathryn Wert Holler, Superintendent.

In the darkest period of the world's history, very early in the morning, upon the first day of the week, our Lord arose from the dead, and the first rays from the Sun of Day were on that morning blended with the new Light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The new dispensation and the new day were thus begun, filled with the glory of the Lord since the Holy Ghost descended and with Divine approval set his seal upon the day. Christians have everywhere recognized in it a blessing and have remembered the day to keep it holy.

It was in 1898, nine years ago, in this beautiful city that I was first chosen your State Superintendent. In those years I have served you as best I could, through sickness and in health, in

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All material intended for publication must be in the hands of the editor before the 15th of the month.

The W. C. T. U. year just closed has been one of remarkable results in our State. Read the reports of some of the faithful State Superintendents of departments in this issue. Estimate if you will, what results will follow. There is no other temperance organization in our State with a net work of organization, officered and always at work. In educational value there is no such organization in this country. The summing up of the little things done by the local unions all over our State as given in the reports of the superintendents shows the mighty power of the organization of the Christian women of a State for the protection of their homes.

Public Meetings are great factors in our advancement. Every union should hold a public meeting once in three months.

Hon. Charles R. Eckhart will again contribute the money for the State Intercollegiate Prohibition Oratorical Prize. The contest will be held in February, at Valparaiso University. The prize is \$50.00 in gold.

For Nashville Convention Delegates.—Those who find it necessary to stay over night in Indianapolis on November 5th, or upon their return trip, can have rooms at the Linden Hotel for 75 cents one person, in a room, or 50 cents two persons in a room. The Linden Hotel is without a bar and is at 311 N. Illinois Street, two blocks north of the Interurban Station, and on direct car line to the Union Railway Station.

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proper functions, they must have this one day in seven for rest.

We agitated the Saturday half-holiday, believing that it would lessen Sabbath desecration, and note with pleasure that some of the largest retail stores in the State are giving this time. One factory in South Bend employing about 3,000 men, is giving the half-holiday to its employees.

In the January Number of the Ladies' Home Journal there was a splendid article, written by the "Lady From Philadelphia," with a view of improving public sentiment on Sabbath observance. It means a great deal for our cause when such publications advocate our ideals. Sunday baseball and Sunday football were stopped in South Bend. About 2,000 people were on the grounds when the police stopped the game.

We closed stores on Sunday, (one merchant was fined \$14.30 for selling goods); stopped teamsters from hauling lumber; also, workmen on the street. Five scenic theatres sprung up in our midst and dared to open their doors on the Lord's day. Over 2,000 petitions have been sent to our chief of police protesting against their Sunday exhibitions. Two of them have already been closed, but we are determined that all of them must close on Sunday.

We have kept constantly after law violators and have stopped Sunday work wherever and whenever we saw it being done. When you turn over a stone, how the bugs run. Law breakers are similarly affected when the light is let in upon them. "The wicked flee when no man pursueth," but, as Dr. Parkhurst says, they make better time when some one is after them. Saloon men, all over the State, are agreeing to close their places of business on Sunday.

By the united protest of the people the bill to legalize Sunday base ball, which carried in the Senate, was defeated in the House by a vote of 49 to 41.

Butlerville had four original papers read at public meetings. North Liberty stopped Sunday baseball by the better element leasing the ball grounds and re-letting for Saturday games. Castleton had the Sabbath laws printed on large

card board and posted in stores and public places. For the third time since I have been your Superintendent we have won the National prize, having made a gain of forty-five new Superintendents this year.

I have received 140 letters and have had work reported from the following counties: Bartholomew, Benton, Blackford, Decatur, Delaware, Elkhart, Floyd, Gibson, Grant, Hamilton, Hendricks, Howard, Huntington, Jackson, Jay, Jefferson, Johnson, Jennings, Knox, Laporte, Madison, Marion, Marshall, Miami, Morgan, Parke, Pulaski, Putnam, Rush, Spencer, St. Joseph, Tippecanoe, Vanderburg, Vermillion, Wabash, Wayne and Wells.

Hinshaw of Hartford City sent the best local report and will receive Mrs. Earle's \$100.00 prize story, "Aunt Ruth's Sunday."

Superintendents	120
Pages of literature distributed.....	83,160
Sermons preached	395
Signatures to Sabbath Works pledge.....	1,060
Prayer meetings held	18
Copies of State Sabbath Law circulated....	21,305
Public meetings held	94
Call to prayer leaflets circulated.....	21,448
Signatures to petitions	2,011
S. S. and L. T. L's addressed.....	49
Chart talks given	3
Articles to the press	9
Letters written by State Superintendent...	268
Cards written	106
Report blanks sent out	190

Sunday School Department—Mrs. Lida Outland, Superintendent.

World's Sunday School Pledge—"Trusting in God's help, I solemnly promise to abstain from the use of alcoholic drinks, as a beverage, includ-



MRS. ROSE PEARCE,
Recording Secretary, Cayuga.

ing wine, beer and cider, and from the use of tobacco and opium in any form."

Membership of Sunday Schools reported, 7,506; pledges signed, 1,467; Sunday Schools having pledge rolls of honor, 10; pages temperance literature used, 12,458; temperance books and papers, 128; temperance rallies and other meetings held in interest of Sunday Schools, 40; contests by Sunday Schools, 3; churches observing World's Temperance Sunday, 65; pledge cards sent to China, 60.

Evangelistic Department—Mrs. E. M. Haughton, Superintendent.

Services reported, 863; addresses before young people's societies, 24; services in churches, 344; prisons, 3; jails, 150; alms houses, 16; halls, 6; cottages, 185; school houses, 3; open air meetings, 11; prayer meetings, 8; sermons preached, 37; lectures, 19; talks, 25; addresses, 10; funerals preached, 14; mothers' meetings, 8; Bible meetings, 178; visits (many with prayer), 3,022; conversions, 288; signatures to pledge, 383; pages literature distributed, 226,575; leaflets and tracts, 340; books and Bibles, 104; number doing personal work for unconverted, 150; spent in work, \$200.35; clothing valued at \$30.00; bouquets, 289.

Indianapolis, Palmer Union, is doing settlement work. A Sunday School is also conducted. North End Mission in Richmond is under the care of Mrs. Chandler and others of the Mary F. Thomas union.

Floyd County and New Albany union, led by Mrs. Jones is very active in mission work. They report more services and conversions than any other county and are third in distribution of literature and visits. Associate Evangelist Mrs. Stahl reports the following personal work: Gospel temperance addresses, 12; in missionary meetings, Epworth League, Sunday School conventions and jail meetings, 18; visits, 105.

Temperance Literature—Mrs. Retta Jones, Supt.

Pages distributed, 28,807; subscriptions Union Signal, 247; Crusader Monthly, 101; American Motherhood, 82; Phalanx, 47; other temperance

papers, 38; ministers supplied with Union Signal, 8; Message, 15; editors supplied with Message, 2; wall pockets, 21; temperance books in libraries, 15; public meetings where literature was distributed, 70.

Medal Contest Department—Mrs. Julia Overman, Superintendent.

The magnificent work being carried on by this department of our organization needs no apologist. It is not an experiment but an established fact; it is not a campaign, but a siege, in which the rarest jewels of modern oratory is persistently and with mighty power being hurled against the ramparts in temperance and vice. rarest jewels of modern oratory is persistently and with mighty power being hurled against the ramparts in temperance and vice.

This has been the best year ever recorded in our work. Simultaneously with our growth, public sentiment has grown until everywhere there is a deepened interest and a more profound conviction that our cause is right and must ultimately triumph. Five hundred and ten contests held; receipts reported, \$5,830.05. Silver, 368; small gold, 92; grand gold, 37; diamond, 12; grand diamond, 1. Largest numbers by counties, Grant, 115; Jay, 39; Marion, 39; Madison, 36; Hamilton, 35; Wells, 31; Huntington, 21.

Purity in Literature and Art—Mrs. R. C. Travis, Superintendent.

St. Joseph and Huntington Counties—Stopped the circulation of obscene cards in their schools. Howard County—Closed one saloon.

Much work has been done in Johnson County in creating a higher moral and religious atmosphere.

Clinton County—Has no Superintendent, but her County President has done much personal work.

Hamilton County—Has a volunteer Superintendent who has removed stereopticon views from postoffice, stores and barber shops.

Jennings County—Has pockets filled with temperance literature, and is preparing an entertainment in this department.

Marion County—Has cleared the library at the Door of Hope of its impure literature and filled it with good books.

But one of Grant County's reports reached me, and many other counties sent in small reports showing that they were doing as best they could.

What Has Been Done Through the State.

Number of saloons closed.....	3
Number of drinking fountains installed....	2
Number of Miss Willard's pictures placed in schools	3
Meetings held	30
Sermons preached	35
Prayer meetings held	2
State laws given out	150
Books given out	6
Booklets given out	653
Pages of literature given out.....	31,965
Cards signed	75
Blanks sent out	90
Letters and cards sent out	225
Letters received	130
Articles published	6

Peace and Arbitration—Miss Lavinia Baily, Supt.

It would hardly be possible, even is desirable, to give a tabulated account of the work accomplished in this department in the past year. Much for it, perhaps, has been regarded by the workers as of too small account to merit reporting. But do not think that, my Sisters. If you have only spoken the thoughts of your heart—"I am for peace"—some other heart is better for it, and the cause has made a gain. Here is a report from one county:

"Public meetings, 3; parlor peace meetings, 3; peace sermons, 11; lectures, 1; papers written for public or parlor meetings, 3; literature circulated 6,731 pages; peace papers taken, Messenger of Peace and Advocate of Peace; Children are taught and interested in peace; Peace Day Observed."

And one local union reports: "One peace meeting held; one sermon preached; one paper written, which is to be printed, and one paper read at our county convention; two hundred pages of literature distributed."

THESE ARE MODEL REPORTS.

Besides that which has been done in county and local unions, we have, co-operating with the Department of Mercy, sent to the War Department our protest against the proposed establishment of Rifle Practice in our public schools. Our Peace Department also sent protest to the management of the Jamestown Exposition against the vain and expensive pagentry which was intended to dazzle the country and the world—with the manoeuvres of "war with all its enticing splendours." The people who delight in war constantly make effort to decoy our youth into military life.

Loyal Temperance Legion—Mrs. Ida Mix, General Secretary.

All over the State great activity is reported among the Legions; 25 new Legions organized. There are up to date 509 graduate Legioners in

THE MESSAGE.

Indiana. Elwood won banner for largest class of graduates.

Graduates for the Year—44.

Grant County 12—Mary Dillon, Thurlow Harvey, Cloe Trader, Edna Gregg, Bobbie Weyler, Mrs. Elizabeth Harvey, Emma Millspaugh, Ada Dicks, Madge Burk, Horace Harvey, Zora Eastes, Dale Helms.



Miss Marie Leck, Organizer, Indianapolis.

Howard County, 6—Veva Chalfant, Richmond Terrell, Kenyon Gregg, Lloyd Thomas, Maurine Ayers, Lela Davis.

Madison County, 24—Howard Barr, George Fesler, Ivor Proper, Desie Noble, Vern Elbert, Rex Snodgrass, Raymond Kurtz, Eunice Carter, Maud Vest, Will Starr, Goldie LaRue, Floyd Proper, Russell.

Goldie Myers, Dimple Woods, Edna Elbert, Bert Gillum, Lena Barnett, Elsie Henderson, Zela Stokes, Leslie Aylor, Eva Isaacs, Lulu Isaacs, James Richwine.

Putnam County, 2—Sylvia Hopkins, Edith Little.

Post Graduates Seal Certificates—9.

Grant County, 5—"Mercy, Purity, Evangelistic, Danger Signal and Pledge."—Agnes Nichols.

Howard County, 2—"Purity," Harriett Stockton; "L. T. L. Normal," Helen Lucile Kirkpatrick.

Putnam County 2—"Mercy," one each; Bethena Vandament and Sylvia Hopkins.

For the first time Indiana is entitled to send an L. T. L. delegate to the National W. C. T. U. Convention. Miss DeEtta Walker of Greencastle, is the delegate.

LA FAYETTE.

The State W. C. T. U. Convention was held in Trinity Methodist Church, LaFayette, October 11th to 15th. The president, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, in charge. The church was decorated with beautiful silk banners, American flags and streamers of the red, white and blue. Pledge cards were strung suspended about the galleries.

Behind the pulpit hung life sized portraits of our departed leader, Miss Francis E. Willard, and the brilliant Mrs. Helen M. Gougar, whose home going in June was considered such a calamity to the cause and the success of this convention. These portraits were draped in white and yellow. Surrounding the pulpit inside the altar railing were splendid big palms and other plants.

The convention opened auspiciously on Friday morning with all the State Officers present, and very full delegations from the counties of the State.

The president's address was able and comprehensive and received with great appreciation and applause. The report of the corresponding secretary, Miss Woodard showed great advancement in our work in many lines. The report of Miss Sears, as treasurer, was of great interest, amazing that so much aggressive work for an entire State could be carried on with such limited funds.

Memorial Service.

The memorial service was in charge of Mrs. M. L. Gipe, president of Marion County. For this service the platform decorations with plants and flowers were particularly good. Near the center of the platform was a beautifully draped empty chair in memory of Mrs. Gougar. On the platform, besides those who participated in the service were Hon. John D. Gougar, and Mrs. Sherry, the bereaved husband and sister of Mrs. Helen M. Gougar. The service was very impressive and beautiful. Special and appropriate music was followed by Scripture reading and prayer by Mrs. McKeen. The names of our promoted comrades were read by Mrs. Oakes. There were fifty-eight members and five honoraries. Mrs. Stanley recited very tenderly a little poem. A select reading by Mrs. Gipe was followed with appropriate music. Miss Baker, president of Tippecanoe county paid loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. Helen M. Gougar. The service closed with a solo and prayer.

Diamond Medal Contest.

The diamond medal contest on Saturday evening was preceded by a beautiful program by the Loyal Temperance Legion.

Mrs. Julia Overman, state superintendent of Oratorical Contest Department was in charge. There were seven young men in the contest and great interest was manifested by the audience in their speeches. Wm. Wolf, of Marion, was awarded the medal.

Sunday Meetings.

Old Trinity Methodist Church was filled with an eager crowd on Sunday morning to hear Mrs. Vayhinger, the State President. The pastor, Dr. Lewis, in a very gracious manner introduced the speaker. He paid tribute to woman and her ability, expressing a hope for the time when there would be no restrictions upon women as Gospel teachers and preachers. Mrs. Vayhinger made an able address.

Mass Meeting.

The mass meeting was held in the same church at three o'clock in the afternoon. Long before the appointed hour every seat in the church was taken. Chairs were placed in all the available space. An eager, anxious throng of delegates and the LaFayette people waited to hear Prof. Charles of Philadelphia speak on the greatest question of the hour. For more than one hour and a half that vast audience sat motionless, except when applauding, and listened to the wonderful truths so eloquently spoken by this matchless orator and statesman. At the close of his address Judge George W. Stubbs, of the Juvenile Court, of Indianapolis, was introduced. He said that he endorsed everything the speaker had said. Then from his judicial experience related instances in confirmation of what the speaker had said.

Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp, president of the W. C. T. U. of Kentucky, was introduced and gave greetings from the old Bourbon State, which is now nine-tenths prohibition.

In the Trinity Church that night there gathered another great audience, this time to hear an address by Judge Stubbs, of Indianapolis, on "The Juvenile Court." Most intently did this great audience listen to Judge Stubbs as he told of the pioneer work done before a juvenile court was established in Indianapolis. Of the increasing interest and development. He spoke of its far reaching influence and support by citizens. Now there are but two paid officers. The work being done voluntarily, the first citizens of the city as "probation officers."

W. C. T. U. Speakers.

Our W. C. T. U. speakers spoke in many of the churches of LaFayette at both services on Sunday. The audiences were very large and the collections for our cause were generous.

Mrs. Francis E. Beauchamp, of Lexington, Ky., president of the State W. C. T. U. and one of the most brilliant women of the Southland, was greeted on Monday evening by an immense audience in the convention church. Mrs. Beauchamp took for her subject this passage, "Take ye away the stone." With keenest argument and apt illustration she pointed out some of the conditions that are hindrances to the progress of the bringing in of Christ's Kingdom—showing the great need of consistent, Christian citizenship. Never while memory lasts will those who were in that vast assemblage forget that wonderful address.

Convention Notes.

Mrs. Mattie Cammack Gibson, who has served the State as recording secretary for fourteen years, resigned and Mrs. Rose Pearce was elected to the office. Mrs. Gibson has served the cause faithfully and well. As an organizer and lecturer she has been in every part of our State and perhaps there is no woman better known. As a Friend's minister Mrs. Gibson has entered many open doors. Her labors have been arduous at times, but never so heavy as to weigh down her beautiful spirit. She is ours, we shall hope that her duties are lessened, but realize that while life lasts her best endeavors will be for Christ and humanity.

Friday evening of the State Convention was of unusual interest. It was unique and greatly enjoyed. The welcome by the mayor was responded to by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley in her own inimitable manner.

The "Crusaders" were called to the platform. Some of them did not show the requisite number of years, and it was explained that they were children at the time of the "Woman's Crusade," and helped by their singing.

Then the Loyal Temperance Legion representatives went to the platform, followed by the Y's and the County Presidents. Each County President was requested to "speak a word" for her county. This was done in brevity and with ability, such as our women alone possess.

With the splendid music, the splendid addresses, the earnestness mingled with witticisms and good humor, conspired to make this spectacular program one of great interest, as well as unusual significance.

There were 362 voting delegates in this convention.

State Officers Elected.

President, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Hartsville; Vice-President at large, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Liberty; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Mary Woodard, Fountain City; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Rose Pearce, Cayuga; Treasurer, Miss Clara M. Sears, Anderson.

When Mrs. Vayhinger's election as president was announced the convention arose and sang "Blest be the Tie That Binds," and amid fluttering handkerchiefs, tears and God bless her, Mrs. Vayhinger thanked the women for their confidence, love, etc., then said I want you to see my mother, Mrs. Johnson, who was brought to the platform, and amid applause was introduced. Both mother and daughter were given the Chau-taqua salute.

The LaFayette convention was the largest ever held by the White Ribboners of Indiana. Many young women were in the delegations.

On Monday afternoon, by invitation of President Stone, of Purdue University, the entire convention was taken out to the University and back in special street cars, which were provided by the college authorities. This visit was greatly enjoyed. The day was fine—the October

air and gorgeous colorings of the foliage of the campus trees conspired to make the trip delightful. Great interest was manifested by the delegates in this greatest of technical schools.

PLAN OF WORK FOR 1907-'08.

Each union should make earnest effort for a gain in membership. A gain of fifty or more in each county is our aim for the year.

Public Meetings.

Local unions should hold at least one public meeting during each quarter, either lecture, contest or Gospel temperance meeting. Let this be a year of special effort to reach the masses.

We urge local unions to prepare interesting programs or contests to be given in unorganized neighborhoods or towns and at the meetings distribute literature and prepare the way for organizing unions.

Visiting Committee.

We hereby call attention to Sec. 2 of Article I, of our by-laws, which reads: "There shall be appointed a visiting committee, whose duty it shall be to visit every family in the town, village, ward or neighborhood, and present the cause, distribute literature, and bring to bear such other influences as will secure co-operation in the temperance work."

Department Work.

We urge continued activity and progressive work in all our various departments. With this aim in view, let each superintendent inform herself on her special department, and be able to present the work in a way that will be effective. For this purpose the State Minutes are indispensable.

Organization.

Each local union is requested to send \$1.50 to the State Treasurer to be used as an organization fund.

All poorly organized counties should begin at once to try to bring their organization up to the standard of at least six unions, with not fewer than ten paid members in each union, with a county organization.

County Gains.

All counties making a gain of fifty, seventy-five, or one hundred members shall be on the program, on benefit night, at the State Convention, and shall share pro rata in the free-will offerings.

Committee:

Miss Mary E. Woodard,
Mrs. Jennie Ridgway,
Mrs. Emily McIntosh,
Mrs. R. C. Travis,
Miss Edith Hillis.

MRS. STANLEY'S NOTE BOOK.

Dear Sisters:

Another year ended and we are so much nearer the goal for which we toil. He must be ignorant, or ill-informed, who longer doubts the early triumph of Prohibition. I have just returned from a trip south. Prospects for a fine crop of Prohibition votes in that section is fine. I find everywhere Republican editors who do not agree with Gov. Hanly on his \$1,000 license policy. They agree with us that it would only guild the vice and retard the victory, and they also know that all the rich saloon keepers of the State are in favor of it, therefore they prefer to stand by the resolutions of the church, which says, "It can never be licensed without sin," and the people are disgusted with the effort to regulate the traffic in boys and girls.

I had good audiences at Seymour. Sam Small was with us to tell of the victory in Georgia. At Brownstown I met a discouraged little band of workers, loyal to the cause, but in that little town the saloon forces are running a bluff on the business men, by threat of a boycott, and young boys under age are even taking their own lives in order to get away from the appetite for drink.

Bedford gave me a fine audience. They want the next State Convention. Loogootee had a street fair, but our faithful women there are trying to "hold the fort." Petersburg has a flourishing union, and I got several new members for them. Princeton has voted the saloon out and through their contest department have developed some very fine educationists. Evansville, Howell and Mt. Vernon are yet on the surface planning for more aggressive work next year. Connorsville had me at her county fair, and they have a "clean voters' league" in that city which is doing fine work. I also attended a pioneer rally at Guilford, and one at College Corner, while resting.

Then I started on my last trip before the convention. Had a fine audience last night at Western Grove. I am now going to Kirklint, Sept. 17th; Rossville, Sept. 18th; Frankfort, Sept. 19th; Otterbein, Sept. 20th; Alexandria, Sept. 21st; Fairmount, Sept. 22d; New Castle, Sept. 23d; Richmond, Sept. 24th; Portland, Oct. 1; Celina, Oct. 2; Upland, Oct. 3; Kentucky State Convention, Oct. 4th to 8th, and hope to meet you all at LaFayette.

Offerings to the State fund, not yet reported: Bryant, \$1.95; Hoagland, \$3.40; Ft. Wayne, \$13.05; Roanoke, \$3.05; Markle, \$3.36; Wabash, \$2.29; Colfax, \$1.04; Seymour, \$7.71; Brownstown, ninety cents; Bedford, \$5.51; Loogootee, \$1.50; Petersburg, \$3.25; for local work, Princeton, \$3.56; Western Grove, \$5.05. A small thank offering to our State Treasurer would enable Indiana

W. C. T. U. to carry forward her splendid plans for an immediate Legislative campaign for municipal suffrage for women. Let all who believe we are engaged in a holy war help just a little to furnish ammunition to arm our women who are the greatest fighters the world ever saw, when home is assailed. Yours for victory in 1908.
Elizabeth T. Stanley.

FROM NATIONAL SUPT. SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

The Quarterly Budget will contain samples of the regular quarterly publications, viz: The Lesson Leaflet (giving temperance teaching points) for distribution among the teachers and adults; a four-page leaflet stating temperance truths and how to illustrate them, a helpful leaflet for teachers and officers; the Blackboard Exercise portraying in the picture and outline talk the fact that the saloon is Satan's trap for the boys; the program for the S. S. hour, which will be just the help your S. S. Supt. will need; the responsive reading, entitled "The Nation's Peril," for use in the opening exercises of the school; an illustrated Bible temperance text card for use in Junior and Intermediate classes; an illustrated temperance talk for Primary and Junior Workers; a recitation entitled, "If I Were a Man;" a song leaflet giving a marching song suitable for a chorus of boys and girls.

In addition to the quarterly publications the budget contains new leaflets for general distribution, viz: One four-page leaflet entitled, "Temperance Timber;" three envelope leaflets, "Fair and Unfair," "The Thing to Do," "Be Thou True;" three gem leaflets, "A Talk About Cider," "You Did It," "The Beer Glass." The budget also contains samples of pledge cards, helpful circulars and the Rally Programs, "A Plea for Freedom and Supplement," "Temperance Chimes" and supplement. A new Rally Program just published. The latter gives a conversation with "Uncle Sam;" a song, "Temperance Bells are Ringing;" an exercise, "Temperance Chimes," closing with a marching song, "On to Victory."

The price of literature above mentioned is as follows: Quarterly Budget, 15 cents or 50 cents a year in advance; four-page leaflets, 30 cents per 100; envelope leaflets, 15 cents per 100; gem leaflets, 10 cents per 100; responsive rearings, recitations and all one-page circulars, 25 cents per 100; black board exercise, song, temperance talk, rally programs, supplements, 2 cents each, 50 cents per 100; pledge cards, 30, 35 and 50 cents per 100, all post-paid. Send all orders to Mrs. Stella B. Irvine, 115 Walnut Street, Riverside, California.

Scientific Temperance Instruction.

Dear Local and County Superintendents:

It was my aim to meet you at the State Convention, but after my appointment there seemed to be no time, so I take this means of greeting you. I shall send out my plan of work and samples of literature as soon as the minutes are out, so I may get your names and addresses. However, if in the meantime you would write to me and give me your address I would be very glad. Until the plan is sent out, would you please study carefully and put into execution the plan of our National Superintendent in the October Message. I am following a strong woman in this department and will need your sympathy and co-operation, so please work faithfully and report promptly. Yours for success,

(Mrs. Ethel E. Bair, State Supt.

North Liberty, Ind., Box 2.

TO NASHVILLE, TENN.

The National W. C. T. U. Convention will be held in Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 8th to 13th. This will be a great convention held in a State that has but few cities and towns that permit the sale of liquor. The expense of the trip, the time of the year, and the great interest in this temperance work are inducements that will cause many of our Indiana people to attend.

Take the young people with you! Urge the husbands to go even though they can only stay two days it will be worth the trouble and expense. Invite friends to join our Indiana party. Nashville is near to us. We must make the most of this opportunity. The Indiana delegates and visitors will leave Indianapolis November 6th, at 8:10 a. m., via the Louisville division of the Pennsylvania route, arriving at Louisville at 12:10 noon. Out of the same station they will leave Louisville via the Louisville & Nashville p. m. Regular two cent per mile fare from all points in Indiana to Louisville and return. From Louisville to Nashville and return a rate of one regular and a third will be granted upon the certificate plan. Thus the round trip fare from Indianapolis to Nashville will be a little over \$12.00. There will be no transfer expense at Louisville, no sleeper fare for the trip, but a free chair car from Louisville to Nashville.

Mrs. Vayhinger, the state president, will be with the party, and all will go directly to Indiana headquarters, where rooms will be provided at reasonable rates, and board there or near by. We estimate that the expense will be about \$1.25 per day. For further information write to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana.

FIELD NEWS

Bright—The County W. C. T. U. Convention was held at Bright, September 27th, conducted by Mrs. Rynerson. Rev. Johnson, pastor of the Christian Church at Lawrenceburgh, gave an interesting address. Officers were elected for the ensuing year and several profitable talks were given by delegates of the different unions.

Mrs. G. E. Denny writes—The Madison Loyal Temperance Legion recently organized by the State W. C. T. U., has trebled itself in membership and its enthusiasm knows no bounds. The Madison boys of L. T. L. made up the following yell for their own special call: "Yell! Yell! Yell! We are the Boys of the L. T. L. Saloons Must go for the Madison Boys say so." God grant it may be soon.

Tippecanoe County held their annual convention at Columbia Park, in LaFayette, on Friday, September 30th, from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. There was a fair attendance in the morning. Reports were heard from officers and superintendents. We were very much favored in having with us Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, who was kept in LaFayette by a disappointment in train service. Mrs. Stanley gave us a short talk. Lunch was served in the park at the noon hour. After the usual devotional hour we were again pleased to listen to another of Mrs. Stanley's interesting and helpful addresses, after which reports of superintendents were continued and the officers and superintendents for the ensuing year were elected resulting as follows: President, Miss Eliza Baker, 223 Waldron St., West Lafayette; vice-president, Mrs. A. L. Green, 100 Thornell St., West Lafayette; corresponding secretary, Mrs. O. M. Meacham, LaFayette; recording secretary, Mrs. May Williams, 213 Russell St., West Lafayette; treasurer, Miss Elizabeth Straw, 306 Salisbury St., W. Lafayette; secretary L. T. L., Miss Naomi Jester, cor. State and Chauncey Sts., West Lafayette. Superintendents—Literature, Mrs. Sarah M. Stevens, 123 Russell St., West Lafayette; narcotics, Miss Meta Taylor, 114 E. Thornell St., West Lafayette; press Mrs. A. L. Green, 100 W. Thornell St., West Lafayette; scientific temperance, Mrs. Almira Roberts, S. Grant St., West Lafayette; mothers' meetings, Mrs. W. H. Strang, 1526 Carson St., LaFayette; flower mission, Mrs. C. S. Robinson, 425 Perrin Ave., LaFayette; Sunday School, Mrs. Ella Porter, Brown St., LaFayette; evangelistic, Mrs. Elizabeth Jester, Cor. State and Chauncey Sts., West Lafayette; Hadley school, Mrs. May Williams, 213 Russell St., West Lafayette; medal contest, Mrs. Ray L. Stinespring, 405 State St., West Lafayette; railroad, Mrs. Cole, LaFayette; Sabbath observance, Mrs. Olive Shook, 419 N. Vine St., West Lafayette.

New London—Our union is small and not often heard from, but we are still at work trying to do our best for our homes and community. Once a year we have a special flower mission day. Our girls are glad to help us. Our last flower mission meeting was held at our pastor's home. We had the Scripture cards tied ready with white ribbon, arranged flowers, then held a very interesting meeting with the subject, "The Influence of Flowers." Select reading by Mary Casand, "Lessons of the Lillies." Also select reading by Malissa F. Hodgkin, "What the Flower Mission Means." A recitation by one of our girls, "A Glass of Cold Water." After special prayer for the girls, and those to be visited, also the Scripture texts and the flowers the girls went on their mission with happy hearts feeling they were working for the Master. One great trouble we meet is too often the texts provided are not appropriate. Where is the best place to obtain these? And can't some one see to it that we have texts more suited to the occasion. There are so many promises and invitations. If any of the little unions have never tried this and think they can't, give it a trial, and it will prove a blessing I am sure. We believe bread cast on the waters will be found.

New London W. C. T. U.

The Campbellsburg Union feels the loss of their president, Mrs. J. J. Smith, deeply. She moved to Indianapolis the last of August. We feel that we can't say enough in her behalf, as she was a whole-soul, enthusiastic, temperance worker. Our most sincere and heartfelt love and best wishes follow her in her new life. Mrs. Kittie Brown, vice-president is filling the chair as president. We will elect new officers at our next meeting. Eva Chamberlain, Press Recorder.

The Marion County Convention was held September 25th-26th, in the Mapleton M. E. Church. Mrs. Martha L. Gipe, presiding. Reports from local presidents showed a large amount of work done and some increase in membership. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Martha L. Gipe; vice-president, Mrs. Alice Baxter; recording secretary, Mrs. Virginia Dearborn; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Lulu Cravens; treasurer, Mrs. Lizzie Heath; Loyal Temperance Legion Secretary, Miss Marie Leck. The following department superintendents were appointed: Work among colored people, Miss Sarah Colton Smith; medical temperance, Mrs. Amanda Whitson; scientific temperance instruction, Mrs. W. A.

Fox; Sunday School work, Mrs. Lulu McCain; mercy and help, Mrs. Nina Murphy; purity in literature and art, Mrs. Agnes Sherwood; literature, Mrs. M. R. Wells; parliamentary usage, Mrs. Luella McWhirter; press, Mrs. Ella D. Oakes; anti-narcotics and household economics, Mrs. Mary Moody; oratorical contests, Mrs. Mary Brown; Hadley School, Miss Lucretia Hobart; jail and prison work, Mrs. L. E. Scott; evangelistic work, Miss Della Brown; Sabbath observance, Mrs. Julia Morgan; railroad work, Mrs. Susie Miller; soldiers' and sailors', Mrs. D. Dougherty; mothers' meetings, Dr. Martha Kellar; flower mission, Mrs. Frances Metz; Christian citizenship, Mrs. Henrietta Rhoads; franchise, Mrs. Fannie Kelso; music, Mrs. Kate Carr.

The president's address was earnest and filled with good suggestions for work during the coming year. Wednesday night a gold medal contest was held under the direction of Mrs. Carrie Handy. There were six contestants between the ages of six and fifteen. Master Louis Jennings of Bridgeport, won the gold medal. Memorial service was conducted by Mrs. Kate Carr. Nine members went to their reward during the past year. Mrs. Carr and Mrs. McMahan favored the convention with a vocal duet. Dr. Martha E. Kellar gave an address on "Heredity and Maternal Influences." The committee on resolutions offered the following:

Whereas, The pulpit, press and platform and the courts have been pleased to co-operate with the W. C. T. U. in promulgating sentiment against the liquor traffic, and have shown themselves vitally interested in the preservation of the home and the principles of our union. Therefore be it

Resolved, That the Marion County Women's Christian Temperance Union in convention assembled, extend a welcome to all forces united in this great cause.

Whereas, Judge Artman has declared that anything inherently wrong cannot be judiciously right. Therefore

Resolved, That we pledge anew our efforts to secure legislation against the foe that is seeking to destroy our children and our homes, for the sole purpose that men may make money.

Whereas, In Marion County the laws governing the liquor traffic are poorly enforced, or not enforced at all, and public sentiment in said county allows women and children to enter saloons. Therefore

Resolved, That an increased effort be made the coming year to enforce the temperance laws.

Ella D. Oakes.

Marion County Press Supt.

Franklin County W. C. T. U. held their annual convention in the M. E. Church at Bath, September 24th and 25th, with Miss Mary E. Woodard as leader. The evening of the 24th she spoke to a good audience on the subject, "What Shall we do With the Saloon." The 25th was convention day. After the election of officers and the reports of president, secretary and treasurer, the rest of the day was spent in hearing original papers on scientific temperance instruction in the schools, mothers' meeting and franchise. We had a very interesting session. The ladies taking an active part in the discussion of the different subjects. Closed by singing temperance doxology and prayer by Miss Woodard. The following county officers were elected: President, Mrs. Smith, Bath, R. F. D.; president at large, Mrs. Mullin, Brookville; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Brown, Bath; treasurer, Mrs. Miller, R. F. D., Colo. The above named for the ensuing year. Mrs. Woodard gave her views on woman's rights, taking franchise for her subject, which was interesting and very beneficial to her hearers. Might she be permitted to come this way again. The meeting was socially and educating. Meeting closed with the temperance doxology. The October meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Miller. Mary R. Scott, Press Rep.

The Nottingham W. C. T. U. held a grove meeting Sunday afternoon, September 22d. It was well attended. Mrs. Walmer gave a very interesting address and enrolled three new members, two active and one honorary. The Union also held a meeting a few weeks before at which Rev. Claude A. Gurder was the principal speaker. He gave the history of his life which was wonderful. Collection amounted to over \$5.00.

A Temperance Rally was held at the beautiful country home of Mr. and Mrs. Z. H. Stanley, north of Liberty, Ind., Oct. 24th. White ribbons of Liberty and College Corner gathered to spend a few hours in this lovely home. A bountiful dinner was spread and greatly enjoyed but not more so than the time spent in pleasant conversation. A short business meeting was held and interesting talks given concerning the cause of temperance and good citizenship. After enjoying Mr. and Mrs. Stanley's hospitality all separated for their homes feeling that the day had been one of profit as well as pleasure.

The Indianapolis Francis E. Willard Union annual meeting was held September 10th. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. L. W. Gray; vice-president, Mrs. W. M. Williams; recording secretary, Mrs. H. E. Hathaway; treasurer, Mrs. Mary Gerkin. A full corps of superintendents was elected.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC VS. THE BOY.

From an Address by Dr. Wiley J. Phillips, of Los Angeles, California, Editor of the California Voice.

(From the Associated Prohibition Press.)

"When we remember that of the 16,000,000 young men in the United States 10,500,000 of them have already contracted the drink habit, it would seem that it was time that something was being done.

"When we remember that in this twentieth century only twenty per cent. of the young men ever darken a church door, and that only about 2½ per cent of these are actively engaged in Christian work, it would seem that something ought to be done.

"When we remember that in 1906 we gave \$1,350,000,000.00 or more to support the liquor traffic than we did to support the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ in the United States, it would seem that something ought to be done.

"When we remember that last year we paid in the United States to support the saloon and dam the boys and girls of this country \$1,325,000,000.00 more than we did to educate them, it looks to me as though something ought to be done.

"We are sending our boys out into the world where we have placed more death-trips than we have saving stations.

"We have placed in their way by our deliberate premeditated vote 116,000 more licensed saloons in the United States than we have churches."

That the Prohibition party is a vital factor in current prohibition politics is shown in the post-election situation which has suddenly developed in Pennsylvania. The Venango Daily Herald in its leading editorial November 9th, under the headline "Local Option Assured," says:

"Republican politicians are skurrying to cover, to escape the storm which is brewing. They are declaring for local option hoping to stave off the growth of the Prohibition party, manifested by the wonderful showing of election day, when, in the face of a big slump in the vote of the State, the Prohibition vote did the marvelous thing of making a gain of twenty-five per cent.

"The expected has happened, and the forecast of events made by the Prohibition State Chairman, before election, has proved to be exactly accurate: 'The way to get a local option law through the Legislature is to vote the Prohibition ticket in such numbers that the alarmed license party leaders will turn to local option to stay the people from forcing upon them absolute prohibition.'

"The Prohibition party has done it."

"The Pittsburg Dispatch, after a thorough and careful study of the situation by one of its staff workers, declares that the passage of a local option law by the next Legislature is an assured thing, and points out that the temperance people will not even have to work for it, the only question being how strong and effective such a law shall be.

"In its article the Dispatch quotes the Republican City Chairman of Pittsburg, Franklin P. Booth, who is regarded as a level-headed political prophet. Yesterday Booth has this to say:

"A local option law will be passed by the next Legislature just as sure as anything. You can't any more stop it than you can dam up Niagara. I have told some of my friends who are in the liquor business there is no use in their going against it and that they might as well come out and aid in the passage of a fair bill."

The Chicago Record Herald, Wednesday morning November 13th, gives first page prominence to a news story from Raleigh, N. C., dated Nov. 11th, written by its famous correspondent, William E. Curtis, who, in the course of a discussion of the railroad agitation, declares significantly:

"The issue of prohibition of the liquor traffic is sweeping the South like a prairie fire, and if the agitation continues at its present heat for two or three years longer it will not be possible to get a dram of whiskey or a glass of beer south of Mason and Dixon's line."

"Prohibition is absorbing the entire attention of the South today," said one of the most prominent politicians of North Carolina.

"Now everybody who wants an office is howling for what our Governor calls 'pro-high-bition,' and nobody thinks of any other question. The

church people are all in it; women and children are marching in campaign processions and peddling tickets, and there is no other political issue before the people. If the Prohibitionists will nominate a Southern man as their candidate for President they will get every electoral vote in the South."

FOR A LITTLE GIRL.

I'm a little temperance girl
Only eight years old

I wouldn't touch a glass of beer,
If you'd fill my hands with gold.
(Hands extended.)

I have a little brother,
He belongs to the legion, too,
I spect there'll be no drunkard mans
When we're as big as you.
For don't you see, we boys and girls,
Will all for temperance stand;
And we'll be great big temperance folk.
Now won't that be so grand?

(Rise on toes at "great big.")
Not a drunkard to be seen,
For don't you think it queer?
The first things drunkards learn to
drink,
Are cider, wine, and beer?
So we'll go to the temperance legion
And try to be good and true,
And all the ——— boys and girls
We ask to join us too.

(Put in the name of your own town and have the child extend her hands as she gives her invitation.)

Jessie W. Morton.

HOW PROHIBITION WORKS IN KANSAS.

Rev. Charles M. Sheldon, D. D., the distinguished author and preacher of Topeka, gives the following facts:

"Prohibition in Kansas has put the liquor business into the catalog of other crimes where it belongs.

"It has put the people into a position of positive antagonism to the saloon.

Gov. Hoch says: "A quarter of a million people have been born in the State who have never seen a saloon or joint and have grown up to believe as a part of their creed that it is an un-mixed evil."

Of the 105 counties in the State only 21 have any paupers. Only 25 have poorhouses. Thirty-five have their jails absolutely empty. Thirty-seven have no criminal cases on their dockets. Kansas has the smallest number of paupers of any State in proportion to its population. It spends more money for education in proportion to its population than any other State.

Eight hundred and five newspapers are printed in the State, only twenty of which ever print any liquor advertisements and four of these twenty are printed in the German language.

After a short struggle in May and June, 1907, the joint property owned by ten outside breweries, worth more than \$250,000, was confiscated by the State Supreme Court and the brewers implicated surrendered and left the State. It was conclusively proved that the brewers were the backers and owners of practically every notorious joint in the State.

In his official message to the Legislature for 1907, Gov. Hoch said:

"The absurd contention that more liquor is sold in prohibition Kansas than in license States should deceive no one. It is made chiefly by those who would be entirely content with the prohibition policy if their statements were true, but official figures abundantly refute the ridiculous statement. Uncle Sam is a pretty good book-keeper and a pretty good collector. Compare prohibition Kansas with our neighbor, license Nebraska, for instance. Nebraska has about one-third less population than has Kansas, but Uncle Sam has collected about \$2,000,000 a year liquor tax from the people of Nebraska, while he has been able to get only about \$100,000 from Kansas. The amount of fermented liquor sold in Kansas is from 6,000 to 10,000 barrels a year; in Nebraska from 200,000 to 300,000 barrels, and in Missouri from 2,000,000 to 3,000,000 barrels."—Ohio Messenger.

THE LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGIONS AT NASHVILLE CONVENTION.

By Mrs. Ida M. Mix, State Branch Secretary.
The report of the General Secretary of the Loyal Temperance Legion Branch, Miss Margeret Wintringer, shows a gain of over 2,000 members; \$1,014.48 was paid into the National Treasury, giving our Branch twenty voting delegates in the

convention. There were 838 graduates this year. Three new State Legions organized, West Virginia, South Dakota and Nebraska. An all day conference was held on Thursday, November 7th. Talks were given by Miss Anna A. Gordon, World's Secretary; Miss Elizabeth P. Gordon, National Evangelist; Miss Louise E. Hollister, and Mrs. Maude L. Greene, National Organizers and Lecturers; and all the State Secretaries present telling of the gains and victories of the past year, which were many. In the evening Mrs. Cora E. Seberry, Secretary of the Y Branch, gave an excellent address, and the State Presidents from the various States gave short talks. Those of us from Indiana were very proud of our own Miss DeEtte C. Walker, Indiana State L. T. L. President, Greencastle, Indiana. Conferences were held every morning at 8:30, and afternoon at 5:15, for the discussion of plans to forward the work. The especial lines for this year will be to co-operate with the Young Peoples' Church Societies; 50,000 subscribers to the Crusader Monthly; continue the Anna A. Gordon fund; an effort for 500 members to the W. C. T. U. form the L. T. L.; and for 200 paid Legion workers.

Demonstration night the Junior Legion had a drill with song. The Seniors were represented with young men and young women wearing caps and gowns of white, bordered with the colors of the State they represented, marching together to a ballot box in the center of the stage and casting into the box a large white ballot, while singing "Hand in hand we cast the ballot," followed by the State Secretaries carrying their State pennants.

TEMPERANCE WORKERS TO MEET DECEMBER THIRD.

Many Persons From all Parts of the State Expected—Noted Speakers on Card.

A "get-together-conference" of all the temperance forces in the State will be held in Indianapolis, December 3d, and it is expected that there will be a large attendance of temperance workers from the various counties. It is expected that the W. C. T. U., the Anti-Saloon League, the Prohibition party, the Good Templars and all other organizations opposed to the liquor traffic will be represented.

The sessions during the day will be held in the assembly-room of the Board of Trade, and the evening session at the same place. Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, of Hartsville, State President of the W. C. T. U., has been spending much time in the preparation of the program for the conference. Several speakers of national fame will be on the program. Among them will be Charles W. Trickett, Assisstant Attorney-General of Kansas, who closed more than 150 blind tigers in Kansas City, Kas., and kept them closed. He will talk on "Law Enforcement." The Rev. H. M. Parkhurst, of Chicago, will talk on "The Saloon License." Mrs. Vayhinger will have for her subject, "The W. C. T. U. and License." Another interesting subject will be "The Work of the College Young Man," by D. Leigh Colvin, of New York.

How to Make Indiana Dry.

E. M. Barney, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League for the Indianapolis district, will speak on "How to Make Indiana a Dry State by 1912." Samuel W. Haynes, of Portland, will give a history of saloon licenses.

At the night session there will be two addresses. Judge Samuel Artman, of Lebanon, will talk on "Saloon License Unconstitutional," and his address will be in line with his decision, made several months ago, that the saloon business is illegal and cannot be licensed. The second address will be on "The Best Law to Abolish the Saloon," by Mrs. Lillian M. Stevens, of Portland, Me., national president of the W. C. T. U. There will be general discussions of all the subjects that will be under consideration. The male quartet, of Anderson, and the Invincibles, of this city, will furnish the music.—Indianapolis News.

Dr. Andrew White delivered a lecture at Cornell University not long since on the need of better education, and advocated the study of the Bible in the schools. He said: "No man's training can be finished without it. I would have readings in the schools from the sacred book—the story of Joseph, the Sermon on the Mount, and the wonderful writings of St. Paul. An educated man who has not these in his memory is to be pitied."

The Bible stands out alone in literature; no other book is of such importance. We need to study it in youth and in old age.

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All moneys for whatever purpose, including the Hadley Industrial School, must be sent to Miss Clara M. Sears, the Treasurer, whose address is given above.

All material intended for publication must be in the hands of the editor before the 15th of the month.

December 3d to Indianapolis to the Anti-License Conference. Every person who can spare a few hours should attend this conference.

Indiana must be free from saloons. Every union hold a public meeting before January first. Yes, that is soon, but no other subject is more interesting to the reading, thinking people.

The National Convention in 1908 will be held in Denver, Colorado. Indianapolis and Wisconsin are asking for the 1909 convention. The Indiana delegates pinned "Indianapolis, 1909," badges on the delegates at Nashville. Great interest was manifested in securing the pledges of the votes for Indianapolis.

ON TO WASHINGTON.

The united temperance forces are planning a campaign for prohibition in the District of Columbia. It will be a mighty struggle. Everybody will be interested. All of our people will gladly contribute. At Nashville it was decided to raise \$10,000 for the National W. C. T. U. to use in this great conflict. Indiana White Ribboners will help. Our delegates pledged \$100.00 for Indiana. We are so glad that they did this. It will give us an opportunity to help.

INDIANA IS GOING DRY.

Not a licensed saloon in the following counties: Brown, Pike, LaGrange, Washington, Sullivan, Monroe, Orange and Boone, when present licenses expire. Twenty-one county seat towns dry Albion, Bloomington, Bloomfield, Corydon, English, Franklin, Fowler, Kentland, Knox, LaGrange, Monticello, Nashville, Princeton, Paoli, Petersburg, Rensselaer, Shoals, Spencer, Sullivan, Winchester, Winamac and Lebanon, when licenses expire.

Ohio W. C. T. U. gained over 8,000 members last year. Ohio now has 25,000 paid members, with 15 counties having 500 or over paid members which entitles them to send their delegate to the National Convention. In the death of Mrs. Anna Clark, State President, the unions felt greatly bereaved, but loyal hearted women they were, they redoubled their efforts and secured the phenomenal gain of 8,000. Mrs. Clark's union at Columbus, with a membership of 100 at the time of her death in the summer time, had a total of 500 paid members by the time of the State Convention in October, and sent their delegate to the National Convention. Indiana re-

joices over the great gains in Ohio. A membership of 25,000 will help bring prohibition for Ohio.

THE SWEEP OF PROHIBITION.

Victories for Prohibition are being announced every day. Six Prohibition States: Maine, Kansas, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Georgia and Alabama. The South will soon be free from the slavery of drink. This has been the result of Local Option (Local Prohibition.)

Today Tennessee has but three cities and one little town where liquor is licensed: Nashville, Memphis, Chattanooga and a small mining town.

Kentucky has 100 dry counties; 15 counties with dry territory and only four wet counties. Mississippi almost totally dry with a Governor, E. F. Noel, who made his fight for the Democratic nomination largely upon the Prohibition plank. The movement for absolute prohibition is spreading rapidly in North Carolina, Florida, Mississippi, Tennessee, South Carolina, Texas, Iowa and Nebraska. The prediction is that Arkansas, Kentucky, New Hampshire and Vermont will adopt State prohibition. The recent temperance victories in Delaware are most encouraging.

A PLEA FOR PROMPTNESS.

Dear Co-Workers

I am writing you again as Treasurer, and will send the first quarterly report blanks so you may have them by December 15th. The question has been asked several times, "If we make a gain of ten will we get a premium lecture?" Our plan of work is changed and we do not send a lecturer to Unions making a gain during the quarter, but at the end of the year.

According to Plan of Work, "All counties making a gain of 50, 75 or 100, shall share in the pro rata in the free-will offering at the State Convention, on benefit night."

The programs are now ready to mail. They will cost one penny a piece. Send early so your order may be filled. I believe the State W. C. T. U. Minutes will be ready to send to the Unions by the time you receive this issue of the Message. We only have 1,500 copies this year, so be prompt with your orders. Fifteen cents per copy, or ten cents in packages where the Unions pay the expressage.

I hope the first quarter's report will show a large gain over last year and the only way to accomplish this is to see each member personally and collect her dues. Indiana can make a gain of 1,000 if we try. Send all corrections of addresses for the Message to me. Only a few State Superintendents have sent their plan of work to be printed. Now send soon so you will have something to work with.

Do not forget your donation for the Hadley Industrial School to the State Treasurer.

Lovingly,

Clara M. Sears,
Treasurer W. C. T. U. of Indiana.

MRS. STANLEY'S NOTE BOOK.

Dear Co-Workers

I have just returned from the National Convention and for the encouragement of those who did not go, I want to say that the reports from every State were enough to convince our \$1,000 license friends that they only waste their time when they parley on any sort of a compromise measure. We are out for prohibition—and it is coming more rapidly than we had thought possible. I spent one Sabbath en route at Salem, Ind., and had fine audiences there.

Mrs. Ellis had invited the churches for the evening, and they were jubilant over the closing of all the saloons in their county. At Campbellsville I found the last saloon dead. It was buried at eleven p. m. the night I spent in their town. I want to give you some helpful statistics from Washington County. The Sheriff seems to pay the board bills of the "jail-birds," and before they closed their saloons the board bill for those in jail was from \$60 to \$165 every quarter, and the last quarter with closed saloons, the jail board bill was \$7.40. Let every county in the Nation save the board bills of the drunkards in the jails and prison pens, and there will be no question about the revenue to run the government.

I was in Louisville on election day and the all day prayer meeting was very inspiring—from 7 a. m. to 6 p. m. women were on their knees praying that God would lead the patriotic men to rebuke the candidates who had pledged an open Sunday to the saloons of Louisville. The battle cry was "Home Protection," and "Sabbath Rest," and "Prohibition," and the people notified all candidates elected that they retained the power to dethrone them if they failed to carry out their pledges.

In Nashville I met the comrades of the Southland jubilant with hope and inspired by victory. We had over 500 delegates. The people in the South are in earnest. They are ready to sacrifice for the cause. On Wednesday evening an offering was made to the National W. C. T. U. to aid our move on Washington, D. C., and I am glad to say we got \$7,410.00 that one evening.

Wake up! all ye people who think the women can fight the millions of the liquor traffic with penny collections. The fight is on. No doubt as to the result, but we can hasten the victory and make the battle short and decisive if we will back up our prayers by opening our purse strings and flood the Nation with literature. Why even in the State penitentiary we found men who said "God bless you. When I get out I'll vote for prohibition, for we would not be here but for the saloon." We left two copies of the Union Signal, one copy of the Patriot Phalanx and one Crusader Monthly for the library of the State Prison. The president of the Kansas W. C. T. U. says they are selling their poor houses in Kansas; that no State without saloons needs these institutions. The next convention goes to Denver and the next is invited to Indianapolis. Yours for victory in 1912.

Elizabeth T. Stanley.

OFFICIAL.

Dear Comrades:

When this reaches you only a few days of the first quarter of our new year will remain, so swiftly does time speed away; but I hope it will find every local Union with work well planned for the year, and every member hard at work to carry out the plans. Those of you who had the blessed privilege of attending our great convention at Lafayette, have gone home full of zeal and enthusiasm for our great organization. No one who was there could have felt it other than a privilege to belong of such a band of consecrated women who are fighting the worst foe that ever dared lift its hideous head under our flag. I hope your home unions, through your reports, have been able to catch a little of the spirit of the convention and some of the enthusiasm and determination to push the work as never before.

Most inspiring reports come from some of our sister States. Ohio made a gain of 8,000 members last year, bringing their membership up to 25,000. They are working hard for suffrage and are going into a campaign to win. Wisconsin made a gain of 1,100 and other States are reporting large gains. We rejoice in all these victories, but sisters, Indiana must not fall behind the procession.

In our "Plan of Work" for the year we say we will try for a gain of fifty in each county. Now this is not much to ask and hope for. Some counties now report a gain since State convention. What about yours? Let every white ribboner take hold right where she is and push. Be sure to read the State Minutes and inform yourselves about our work. Read the "Message" and "Union Signal," and then tell others about what you have learned. Set your heart on some neighbor and win her to our cause. Our State President's fine address and your State Corresponding Secretary's report should be read in every local Union. These will be found in the State Minutes. No county or local president should consider herself properly equipped for office without the State Minutes and the Union Signal. If she can not get these for herself the Union should see that she is supplied. Let us equip ourselves for service and fight valiantly for our cause.

A call was sent out by our convention to all temperance organizations in the State to meet in conference at Indianapolis, December 3d and 4th to plan some method of defeating the efforts of the whiskey men and their allies to foist a high license law on Indiana. There should be a large attendance at this conference. It will be a notable gathering. The program contains the names of some of the best speakers in the nation. Put on your white ribbon and come. A large attendance will mean much for our cause.

Now for "a long pull, a strong pull, and a pull all together," for a thousand new members in Indiana this year.

Yours for service,

Mary E. Woodard, Cor. Sec.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Dear Superintendents

Let our watchword for the coming year be "Overcoming Discouragements," and I am sure we will have great victories to report in 1908. For your splendid efforts the past year I thank you, they have won for us the National Banner once more. For the future I pledge you my best efforts, and will do what I can to help in any way I may be of service to you. I will gladly send my plan of work and other helps to new superintendents.

Have the people educated through the press and pulpit. Enlist helpers wherever you can.

Interest the pastors of all denominations in the subject of Sabbath Observance. Invite them to co-operate with us, by giving at least two sermons and one prayer meeting during the year to this subject. Distribute literature on all appropriate occasions.

Yours to help,

Kathryn W. Holler, State Supt.,
South Bend.

In the last year of the army canteen, there were 1,645 court-martials for drunkenness. In the year 1906 there were but 504.

THE MESSAGE.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

Dear Sisters:

I am just home from the National Convention, the greatest in many ways ever held in America. A victorious note rang throughout the whole convention. Every song, prayer and report seemed echoing the shout of victory, which began in Georgia, sounded through Oklahoma, and is being taken up throughout the South. "Praise the Lord who helped us, the South is going dry." Alabama is in line with her prohibitory law before her Legislature now and victory is assured. Ohio with a net gain of 8,000 members, the largest gain ever made by any State. A subscription for \$7,410, taken in a single evening, the greatest subscription ever raised in the world for the cause of temperance. With this great wave of sentiment backed by deeds and gifts, on in full speed, to lag behind is sin!

What will Indiana do another year? First—Sound the Slogan—"7,000 members in the State by September 15, 1908!"

The cause needs the women and they can be had for the asking. Will we ask? Let this be our banner year in membership, with three definite things in view.

First—7,000 members.

Second—We have less than 600 subscribers to the Union Signal. Let's make it 1,500 before the close of the year.

Third—We pledged at the National Convention to work to add 1,000 new subscribers to the Crusader Monthly. Let's get it into the hands of every school teacher in the State because of its merit in teaching scientific temperance.

A beautiful banner will be given to the Union making the largest per cent. gain in membership. Prizes will be offered for excellence in each of the other points.

We can do these things, and let's say by God's help, we will do them. Let's have no playing at temperance work this year, but real valiant work.

Lovingly yours to serve,

Culla J. Vayhinger.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEAGUE.

By Miss DeEtta Walker, State President, Greencastle, Indiana.

The great National Convention showed a year of victory and growth in the Legion as well as along other lines of the work. Four new organized State Legions were reported. On the day preceding the opening of the convention an all day conference was held. In the evening at a mass meeting of the young people of Nashville, at the Vine Street Christian Church, the State L. T. L. Presidents and various representatives of the different State Legions gave ten or fifteen minute addresses. On that great demonstration night the Legion also took part.

Conferences were held every day at 8:30 a. m. and 5:15 p. m. These conferences dealt with the most important features of our work and were most instructive and inspiring. The same hopeful, earnest spirit pervaded them as was manifested in the Mother National. The Legioners made Miss Margaret Wintringer, our beloved National Secretary a life member of the National W. C. T. U.

It was decided to add four more pages to the Crusader Monthly, providing sufficient advertisements can be secured at the rate of ten cents an agate line; \$1.40 an inch or \$30 a page. Indiana pledged 1,000 more Crusader Monthly subscriptions. This means hard work for our young people! Will not all White Ribbons help us? Could you know how in earnest we are you would feel that all efforts to assist us are not in vain. Please report concerning Crusader subscriptions or advertisements, either to Mrs. Ida M. Mix, Kokomo, or myself.

WHERE PROHIBITION PREVAILS.

From one-half to eleven-twelfths of the population of seventeen States at present live under absolute prohibition laws. These States are Arkansas, Texas, Mississippi, Florida, South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Iowa.

Prohibition law prevails in large sections of Alabama, Rhode Island, New York, Maryland, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Nebraska, Missouri, Colorado, California, Washington, Oklahoma, South Dakota.

Within the last few months the prohibition movement has been indorsed by the Governors of many States, among them Governor Cobb, of Maine; Governor Hoch, of Kansas; Governor Burke, of North Dakota; Governor Smith, of Georgia; Governor Dawson of West Virginia; Governor Harris, of Ohio; Governor Hanly, of Indiana; Governor Beckham, of Kentucky; Governor Glenn, of North Carolina; Governor Broward, of Florida; Governor Campbell, of Texas; Governor-elect Noel, of Mississippi, and Governor Folk, of Missouri.

Maine adopted State Prohibition in 1855, when General Neal Dow declared that Maine was "one of the most drunken and poorest States in the Union, there being seven distilleries and two breweries in Portland alone." At present prohibition law is enforced in nine-tenths of the State.

Kansas under prohibition, has prospered wonderfully. Of the 105 counties in the State, it is claimed, only twenty-one have any paupers and only twenty-five poorhouses. In thirty-five the jails are absolutely empty. Thirty-seven have no criminal cases on their dockets.

After a short struggle in May and June, 1907, the joint property owned by ten outside breweries, worth more than \$250,000, was confiscated by the State Supreme Court. The brewers implicated surrendered and left the State. In his annual message to the Legislature for 1907, Governor Hoch said:

"The absurd contention that more liquor is sold in prohibition Kansas than in licensed States should deceive no one. It is made chiefly by those who would be entirely content with the prohibition policy if their statements were true, but official figures abundantly refute the ridiculous statement."

"Uncle Sam is a pretty good bookkeeper and a pretty good collector. Compare prohibition Kansas with our neighbor, Nebraska, for instance. Nebraska has about one-third less population than has Kansas, but Uncle Sam has collected about \$2,000,000 a year liquor tax from the people of Nebraska, while he has been able to get only about \$100,000 from Kansas. The amount of fermented liquor sold in Kansas is from 6,000 to 10,000 barrels a year; in Nebraska, from 200,000 to 300,000, and in Missouri from 2,000,000 to 3,000,000 barrels."

In Kansas City the battle for the abolition of the saloon a little more than a year ago attracted wide-spread attention. For twenty years liquor was sold in defiance of the State law. Of the results of the abolishment of the saloon, Attorney Trickett recently declared:

"Kansas City has increased in wealth and population at a rate never known before in its history. During the last year our population increased more than 13,000, and more new buildings were erected in this city than in larger Kansas City across the State line. During the last year the manufacturing products of this city increased \$50,000,000, making a total of more than \$200,000,000. During the last year the deposits of banks have increased by \$2,000,000."

Of the effect of prohibition law in North Dakota, Governor Burke recently declared: "We have had prohibition so long that in some counties there are no jails."

Under an agreement entered into by nearly all the brewers of Indiana recently they will cease the establishment of saloons in nearly all the cities of the State, and more than 2,000 brewery saloons now in existence will close as soon as the licenses expire.

It is said by the wisecracks of both the Republican and Democratic parties that the time is not far distant when they will have to take a stand one way or the other.

The liquor dealers have now entered the contest. They claim that prohibition has succeeded in many localities, particularly in the South, through the indignation of the people at the outrages committed by lawless persons under the influence of liquor. They have resorted to the same weapons as the temperance crusaders—the ballot and the pamphlet.—The North American, Philadelphia.

MOST INFLUENTIAL ORGANIZATION OF WOMEN ON EARTH.

The above is the Tennessean's prominent heading given a first page account of the opening day of the National W. C. T. U. convention at Nashville.

The convention was welcomed by Gov. M. R. Paterson, Mayor J. S. Brown and many others. The Tennessee W. C. T. U. was represented in a strong welcome by the State President, Mrs. Silena D. Holman.

Forty-nine States were represented by over six hundred delegates, regular and fraternal. Of the convention, The Tennessean said:

"In the first place, this organization is the largest and most influential exclusive woman's organization in the world, and its leaders are women of recognized ability and of national prominence. In the second place, it is these women who have brought about the wonderful temperance movement that is now at the very height of a brilliant success, and on which the eyes of the world are fixed wonderingly and admiringly. They have not only accomplished marvelous things, but they have marvelous plans for the future."

The president's address during the forenoon session was a remarkable one from many standpoints. Consistently, intelligently and entertainingly, it told of the great aims of the organization and the plans and prospects in the various branches of work that compose the complicated machinery of the organization. Mrs. Stevens is not only a woman of fine presence and splendid oratorical attainments, but she is a thorough parliamentarian. She presides with dignity and her rulings never fail to give entire satisfaction to the body of devoted women over whom she presides.

The first annual convention was held in the city of Cleveland, Ohio, in 1874. The beloved Miss Frances E. Willard herself organized a union in Nashville, in 1882, and just twenty years ago

the convention met in Nashville in annual session for the first time.

Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens has been widely complimented as a parliamentarian and a presiding officer of the best type, but after all it is as the sweet womanly woman that she is known and loved best. To meet her socially one can but be impressed with her womanliness, her strength of character, her high-mindedness and her gentleness. She is pleasing as a presiding officer, but she is delightful as a friend."

CONVENTION NOTES.

The election of officers elicited great interest, as it always does. The present officers were all re-elected, the votes being made unanimous. All made happy and impressive speeches expressive of their appreciation, Miss Gordon and Mrs. Stevens receiving quite an ovation.

Voting delegates, 462; on nominating ballot for president, total number of votes cast, 397; for Mrs. Stevens, 360; the others receiving votes were Miss Ensign, Mrs. Beauchamp, Mrs. Frances W. Graham and Miss Brehm. The secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the convention for Mrs. Stevens, which was done, making her election unanimous. Mrs. Stevens responded graciously and eloquently, and thanked the convention for the great honor bestowed upon her.

Mrs. Susanna M. D. Fry was elected Corresponding Secretary, receiving 341 votes out of 396. Others receiving votes were Mrs. Scovel of Minn.; Mrs. Graham of New York; Mrs. Horning of Illinois; Mrs. Beauchamp of Kentucky and Miss Marie Brehm.

Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson was elected Recording Secretary receiving 343 votes. Mrs. Harriet W. Brand was elected Treasurer. Of 389 votes cast 364 were for Mrs. Brand. With a few graceful remarks Mrs. Brand accepted the election and received beautiful flowers.

All the officers received flowers and some received presents. Indiana is proud and loyal to Mrs. Brand, whose ability is recognized by the National W. C. T. U. Mrs. Stevens nominated as her Vice-President, Miss Anna Gordon. Mrs. Anderson nominated as her assistant Recording Secretary, Mrs. Sara Hoge, of Virginia. These officers were both elected by a rising vote of the convention.

Miss Margaret Wintringer was elected L. T. L. Secretary by a handsome majority.

The entire convention was great! grand! The day sessions were largely attended and the evening meetings held in Ryman Hall, with a seating capacity of 4,000, were great rallies. Never has there been such interest and enthusiasm at any convention. President Stevens' address was masterful and eloquent. It should be read by every W. C. T. U. member. The Corresponding Secretary's report showed a gain of over 10,000 members and general advancement everywhere.

The following amendment was proposed by Miss Ensign of Ohio: "No general officer shall succeed herself in office for more than five consecutive terms, of one year each." There was a spirited debate of more than an hour. The ability of women in the delegations was shown in this debate, many of whom had not been heard from the platform.

The National will not limit the term of office. The amendment was lost by a large majority.

Temperance music was an inspiring feature of the convention. Mrs. Frances W. Graham, national musical director, of New York. Mrs. Graham has a strong contralto voice, and her baton was tied with a large bow of white ribbon.

Postmaster Wills located a postoffice station in the basement of the Presbyterian church for the benefit and convenience of the W. C. T. U. convention and placed a clerk in charge. All the facilities of the postoffice were furnished through this station and all the mail intended for the convention delivered there.

The address of Mrs. Armor, of Georgia, was second to none of its kind in the country, and was a repetition to a certain extent, of the style of Sam Jones. She stated that there was a tide in the lives of men, which taken at the ebb, leads to fortune. "This tide in the history of our country," she said, "is the great temperance wave that is now sweeping the liquor dealers from the map of the United States. One-half of the people in this country are living under the prohibition law. Let us raise a flag of purity and peace over a true land of the free and home of the brave, where the liquor trade is ground in the dust. Give us the money and we will agree to close every saloon in the country."

"I have been appointed to collect \$10,000 for this noble work, to make Tennessee a prohibition State. You people are not accustomed to give enough of your money to God. You pay enormous prices for clothes, etc., and save only the remnants for Him who is everything to you."

Mrs. Edith Smith Davis, of Wisconsin, was the next to address the audience and took the subject, "Temperance Work Ahead." Mrs. Davis was the National W. C. T. U. representative to the Stockholm Anti-Alcohol congress, held last year, and has traveled through Europe investigating each country from the standpoint of temperance. She says that Norway is more nearly free from the drink evil and Belgium is the worst liquor-cursed country on earth. Her talk

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displayed thought and research in touching the problem of temperance from domestic and foreign viewpoints.

The last address was by Rev. Anna H. Shaw, national lecturer of the W. C. T. U. Miss Shaw at once went to the heart of the question and presented it logically. Her discourse was a remarkable combination of logic and eloquence which held the audience in rapt attention from the moment she took the platform. She argued that the only feasible solution of the world's problem of liquor traffic is legislation. "All other methods," continued the speaker, "have failed. Pledges only compound the sins of drink. Personal appeal has come to naught." She maintained that the women are responsible for all the strides made by temperance, that women are guaranteed the right to the positions they have taken by the divine right to motherhood. "The Diety never placed upon her the responsibility of motherhood and child-rearing without giving her the power to defend herself in her motherhood and protect her offspring in their rearing." Her words were fervid and of an eloquence that carried conviction, and at the close of her address the hall shook with tremendous applause.

FIELD NEWS

The "Canteen" question is being much written about. For information concerning the conditions send for a leaflet, "The Truth About the Canteen," by Brigadier-General A. S. Daggett. Price, single copy, three cents; per dozen twenty-five cents. Send in postage to Rev. R. C. Miller, P. O. Box 16, Hartford, Conn.

The DePauw Prohibition Oratorical Contest will be held on January 17th. The prize of twenty-five dollars is contributed by friends. Six students have already entered the contest. Every temperance man and woman who can possibly do so should attend this contest. Greencastle is cursed with saloons and if it is possible for young men to be educated along prohibition lines while there in school, they should be encouraged by the Greencastle citizens, residents of Putnam County and others near by.

Terre Haute Union makes the following report of work done the past year. It is a fine showing for a small Union, and much better than many large Unions can give: Social calls, 1,793; calls on sick, 1,921; bouquets given, 4,728; text cards, 538; visits to hospital, 15; tracts given, 150; money sent to India sufferers, \$20; value of clothing sent to earthquake sufferers, \$40; coal furnished, \$7. Who can estimate the amount of cheer and comfort resulting from the work of these faithful white ribboners.

A red, white and blue reception was given by the W. C. T. U. of Lebanon, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bratton, Tuesday evening, November 22d, to the new members and their husbands. The rooms of the Bratton home were most tastefully decorated in red, white and blue crepe paper.

The program, which was arranged by the victorious reds, was very much enjoyed by the large number present. The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Raper and Mrs. Fannie Adams. Mrs. Mary L. Hendricks read a paper giving the history of the W. C. T. U. and its work. Little Frances Hendricks rendered a vocal solo as did Miss Gertrude Hendricks, both numbers being greatly appreciated. Mrs. Louella McKee, the local president, welcomed the new members most heartily. Miss Mae Gabriel, one of the new members, in a few well-chosen words, made response to the kindly welcome. The Rev. Mr. McKee rendered a vocal solo, which added to the enjoyment of the hour. Mrs. S. R. Artman in her usual happy manner gave a musical reading entitled, "De Walls am Comin' Down," with Miss Goldiene Groves at the piano. Following this Mrs. Henderson, assisted by her helpers, served refreshments, consisting of sandwiches, veal loaf, pickles and coffee. During this part of the evening's exercises the Rev. Mr. McKee acted as toastmaster, and the following toasts were given: "The Saloon vs. the Church," Will's Parker; "How the Honorary Members or Men can Assist the W. C. T. U.," Judge Samuel R. Artman; "Whiskey in Medicine," Dr. J. R. Ball. Judge Artman paid a glowing tribute to the organization and said that the credit for the great temperance reform rested largely with the women. The occasion was the result of the contest just closed in which the membership of the W. C. T. U. was enlarged from forty to one hundred and seven. The organization was divided into two divisions under the head of the Artman brigade. Mrs. Will Groves was the leader of the reds and Mrs. Henderson leader of the blues. The reds won by a plurality of ten; therefore according to previous agreement, the blues entertained the victors. Five years ago Lebanon had thirty saloons; one year ago fourteen saloons. Now they have two saloons and one of them goes out of business in March next and the other in April.

The Westfield W. C. T. U. has started in for

another year's work with Maggie Cox as president, and new superintendents of the different departments of work. Mrs. Malissia Emry gave an interesting account of the State Convention, after which many declared they were willing to work harder the next year than in any previous one. Through the earnest efforts of our Sunday School Superintendent, Hamilton County brought the Sunday School banner back with her from the convention. She also held it last year. Mrs. Mary Sibbitts spoke to an appreciative audience at Westfield, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U.

The Campbellsburg Union held their first Matrons' Silver Medal Contest on Saturday evening, November 2d. The church was beautifully decorated with the stars and stripes; also our emblem, the white ribbon. Miss Willard's picture hung in a prominent place, draped in the white ribbon, mixed with "old glory." The platform was arranged with evergreens and cut flowers. There were five contestants, all dressed in pure white, and as some one was heard to say, "looking as if they were only girls of sixteen summers." A good audience was in attendance and seemed to thoroughly enjoy the speaking. The contestants all acquitted themselves with honor. The medal was awarded to Mrs. A. H. Chamberlain. The door receipts amounted to \$11.90.

On November 4th we were so fortunate as to get a date with Mrs. Stanley. She came to us from Salem. She gave us a talk at two o'clock on Monday and also that same evening. She came to us just full of good things and her talks were well received at both meetings. She seemed to have infused new life into each one of us and as she went out from us we heartily said thank God for such a woman as Mrs. Stanley, and may the greatest success attend her. One new member, Mrs. Oscar Jones, was taken in at the night meeting. The Union feels strengthened by having her with us. The last saloon in Washington County was closed last night, November 4th, at midnight. The temperance people are rejoicing over their victory and are jubilant to think that the last black spot is at last removed from this fair little town of ours. We are eagerly looking forward to the changes for the better, which are sure to follow the removal of the saloons.

Eva Chamberlain.

Indianapolis Central begins the year with an increased membership of twenty. Our visiting committee, Miss Leck chairman, has been busy and we hope as a result to add still more to our numbers. We have a corps of superintendents of which any Union would be proud. Our Flower Mission Superintendent, Mrs. Poindexter, has two little helpers, Mildred Easter and Frances Willard Rockwood, who render efficient service. Our Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Norris, arranged for a series of meetings for Mrs. Trego at her church, one of which was a mothers' meeting. Ten new members were secured at these meetings. We have the promise of three temperance sermons on Universal Temperance Sunday, and have arranged to have pledge signing at three Sunday Schools. Our Medal Contest Superintendent, Mrs. Mary Brown, has held two medal contests, and has another class about ready. Our Evangelistic Superintendent, Mrs. Scheerer, has been serving as a King's Messenger during the M. E. Church revival meetings. She is also our Superintendent of Systematic Giving, and has held one meeting in the interest of that department, all of the members present, except two, were tithers. She also talked to the Epworth League on the same subject and made some converts.

Grant County—The meeting held in the West Branch Church on Sunday afternoon, November 17th, for the purpose of presenting Miss Frances E. Willard's picture to the seven public schools within a radius of the Deer Creek W. C. T. U. membership, certainly proved a grand success. The entire space was filled with an appreciative audience. All the teachers of the respective schools, except two were present, and gave short addresses of acceptance. Entertainment, songs and recitations were furnished by the different schools. The County Superintendent, Mr. Brumfiel and the Trustee of Sims Township, Mr. Macabe, gave excellent talks on methodical and influential lines. A high tribute was paid to the womanhood of this country. Woman has been in the fore front of moral reform in all ages. The County President, Mrs. Julia E. Shugart, spoke briefly of Miss Willard's life, followed in close connection by Miss Myrtle Drukemiller, Mrs. Sarah E. Thomas and others. The trend of thought throughout was the great influence or unnatural imprint that is so often brought about by impure pictures. Thus it was pronounced a very fitting tribute of honor that this strong and purifying influence could be placed before the children as an inspiration to high and noble living.

Our Editor, Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, on Thursday, November 7th, at Eastman's Sanitarium, submitted to a surgical operation and the word comes she is doing well. Let us pray for her recovery dear sisters, as we need capable women in our work to help us to victory.

The Indianapolis North-East W. C. T. U. held a very successful Gold Medal Contest, November 13th at the Methodist Church, corner of Twenty-Second Street and Arsenal Avenue, conducted by the local superintendent of contest work, Mrs. Cora Harper. Much interest was manifested and the house was full. Mr. H. B. Henderson, teacher of music, very kindly favored the audience with several madolin selections, and little Miss Nina Brigham sang "Heaven Won't be Heaven Without You, Dolly." The Misses Carlisle sang "Will the Angels Let me Play." The recitations were all so well delivered that it required very close marking by the judges to determine who was the winner; but after due consideration, the medal was presented, with a few well chosen remarks by Mrs. Mary Brown, superintendent of contest work for Marion County, to Miss Fay King, 2051 Lambert Street.

Howell—On Thursday afternoon the W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Martha Forcum. The meeting was opened by singing, then led in prayer by Mrs. Whitney. Scripture lesson was read by Mrs. Barrett. The minutes were read by Mrs. Hicks. Mrs. Whitney read a good essay on the Thirty-Seventh Annual Convention at Lafayette, and it was very beautifully illustrated. The meeting was closed by prayer by Mrs. Martha Forcum. After the meeting was closed light refreshments were served and each one spent a pleasant afternoon.

The Stinesville W. C. T. U. is not often heard from, but is doing quite a great deal of work in our little town. We are deeply indebted to the good men for the removal of our two saloons. Rev. Atkins of Indianapolis is to give us a good rousing temperance lecture November 24th, at the Baptist Church. Mrs. L. C. Litten, contest superintendent, will hold a contest on the evening of November 23d, and we hope soon to have Mrs. Trego to lecture for us three evenings. We are glad to announce the arrival of two little ones in the homes of Sister Edwards and Sister Walker. It is our prayer that these little lives may be consecrated to the glorious cause of the "white ribbon."

Dearborn County held a very interesting and helpful meeting in Aurora, November 8th. At the morning session the State "Plan of Work" was discussed and adopted. A department work, Round Table, brought out many helpful suggestions. In the afternoon, Mrs. Sarah Evans gave a report of the State Convention and plans were laid for more aggressive work during the year just begun.

Mrs. A. E. Rynerson.

The Boswell Union gave a reception Saturday afternoon, November 2d, at the home of Mrs. Estella Smith, to the new members of the union. There were twenty-one regular members, nine new members of full membership, nine new associate members and eight guests, making a total of forty-seven persons present. The house was nicely decorated with the Union's colors, yellow and white. The guests were received by the officers, Mesdames Estella Smith, Edith Wright and Anna Eberly, after which refreshments were served. The house was then called to order by the president, and the new members were each presented with a pledge card and a bow of white ribbon. The names of Mrs. Lochie Laughlin and Miss Pleasant were given as new members, and that of Mary Samuel entered on the cradle roll. Rev. N. A. Chamberlain, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, gave an appropriate talk to the new members, closing with a fine tribute to the self-denial and loftiness of purpose of our former sainted leader, Miss Willard. Mr. Smith and Mrs. Ella Best delighted the guests during the afternoon with appropriate and beautiful selections on the pianola.

All indications are that the second primary Prohibition Oratorical contest of DePauw University, which will be held in McHarvey Hall, on Friday evening, January 17, 1908, will be one of the most spirited contests of the season. The interest in the temperance question among the students is increasing each day thus showing that the energetic work of the Prohibition League is already bearing fruit. The contest was to have been held in December of the fall term, but unforeseen events make it necessary for the date to be fixed on Friday evening, Jan. 17, 1908. Notwithstanding the postponement the six contestants previously announced will participate. A prize of \$25.00 will be awarded to the winner. This prize was contributed by the following persons: Hon. Hugh Dougherty, Hon. Charles M. Lemon and Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter of Indianapolis; H. C. Allen of Greencastle and Mr. A. S. Prescott of Goshen, each giving \$5 to the same. The successful man in this contest will represent DePauw University in the State contest to be held in Valparaiso the latter part of next February.

SOUTH BEND DRY.

At a meeting of the South Bend Milk-Dealers' Association, November 13th, most of the dealers agreed not to deliver any more milk on Sunday. The indications are that all of the dealers will join in the agreement, thus stopping every wagon in the city.

All scenic theaters in South Bend are now closed on the Lord's day.

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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DEPARTMENT OF WORK AMONG RAILROAD EMPLOYEES.

National Superintendent, Mrs. Evalyn N. Graham; National Evangelist, Miss Jennie E. Smith, 515 W. Franklin St., Baltimore, Md.; State Superintendent, Mrs. Anna Campbell, 405 Washington Avenue, Frankfort, Ind.

To the Workers in this Department:

Through your faithfulness, efficiency, sacrifice, and spirituality, and by the blessing of God, work among railway employees has grown greatly in influence and power.

This department developed by Miss Jennie Smith, was adopted by the National Union, it being the only society operating in this field which stands for total abstinence, civil prohibition and equal standard of morals for man and woman.

Each local union should appoint a local superintendent, these should, if possible, be women who have some social relations with railway men. Women whose hearts are filled with love for Christ and humanity, and who feel something of the burden of this work laid upon them.

The 121st Psalm is chosen as especially appropriate for railway men, going out in constant peril, "The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in."

The way-car or caboose is the home of many employees, and their equipment is urged as a specialty in work for local unions. Let individuals as well as societies push this needed work and furnish at least one caboose outfit, consisting of a rack for literature, to be replenished weekly. A rack for gospel hymns and Bible. Upon the fly leaves of the Bible inscribe the pledge and scripture texts, and mark throughout comforting passages to be quickly found in case of accident.

Equip engine-cabs in the same manner when permitted.

Place silent comforters in rooms of the sick and injured, and in railroad wards of hospitals.

Flower Mission.

Visit with flower mission service the sick and disabled in hospitals and in homes. Appoint regular visitors for railroad wards in hospitals. Show sympathy and respect by presence at funerals and in care for bereaved families. Floral emblems at funerals, tied with white ribbon and scripture text. Observe special days and holidays, and present flowers to railway employees.

Railway Reading Rooms, Restaurants and Lodgings.

Where railway reading and rest rooms are established and well regulated, they command the approval and gain substantial aid from railway officials, their employees, and the public in general. Some local unions have done remunerative work through well managed restaurants with lodgings as an adjunct to the reading room, and where no building is available, old cars have been painted, furnished and made home like, as reading, resting and lunch rooms, these often prevent recourse to intoxicants and other temptations. For saloons and houses of gambling and ill-fame are too often found in dangerous proximity to railway shops, yards and stations.

Cultivate acquaintance, socially, with families of railway men; if possible, hold parlor, and "mother's" meetings in their homes, inviting the women to meetings of the local unions, and the children to meetings of the Loyal Temperance Legion.

Work among traveling men, street-car men, policemen, firemen, men in the postal service, express and hack men, is placed in this department and should include lines of effort already recommended.

Women Employees.

Give attention to women in employ at stations, offices and restaurants, visit them, introducing them to helpful social and religious influences.

Hour of Prayer.

Each day at noontide. Especially pray for this department Tuesdays.

Meetings.

Permission given, hold meetings in shops, depots, transfer buildings and in construction camps, mass-meetings and cottage-meetings, with song service.

Public meetings should be held, addressed if possible by Pastors or Specialist.

Try and interest the railroad women for they have it in their power to aid the work of influencing and interesting those coming and going from their homes and boarding houses. We need the Christian influence of those who are so earnest in secular affairs.

FOR INDIANA W. C. T. U.

7000 Members for 1908.
1500 Subscriptions to Union Signal.
1000 School Teachers taking Crusade Monthly

Reports.

All superintendents are requested to keep an accurate account of all work done, classifying the same, and from which annual reports should be drawn.

Local and county superintendents should gather reports of meetings and work, with incidents worthy of preservation, and forward frequently to the State Superintendent, who will send items of work to State reporter of The Union Signal, and to the press, and other matter deemed suitable, to National Superintendent to enlarge and enrich literature of the department. Do not ignore blanks when sent.

Where possible, carry work under W. C. T. U. banner.

FURNISHING MEMORIAL FOR HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

At a meeting of the Indiana W. C. T. U. Trustees, held December 2, 1907, a provision was made whereby any local union or individual, contributing \$10.00 annually for furnishing and keeping in order a bedroom, will be entitled to the furnishing memorial for that room. The same to be indicated by a neatly framed tablet bearing the name of the Union or of the individual. This tablet is to be placed in the room.

A memorial of \$5.00 annually was placed on each single bed in the dormitory and hospital. This memorial to be indicated by a tablet in a similar way to that of the memorial for the room.

Many of the rooms which were furnished simply, yet beautifully, in the beginning must now be refurnished, wholly or in part. While the amounts named will not do this at once, it is estimated that in the run of years, it will, with careful buying and with the reductions which can be secured by purchasing in large numbers or quantities.

The Trustees are confident that there are many local unions and also many individuals in the State who will be glad to furnish a room or a bed on the plan named.

Send all money to the State Treasurer, Miss Clara M. Sears, Anderson, Ind.

By order of Indiana W. C. T. U. Trustees.

Mary Hadley Hall,
Vice-Pres. Managing Board.

NORMAL INSTITUTES.

Dear Sisters:

Many of you will, I know, be looking for the schedule and program of Institutes in the January Message. As the program is not completed I have thought it best to keep back the schedule and publish both in the February Message.

In the meantime may I ask each one of you to plan and work so that this season our Institutes may surpass both in number and influence any past season. I would like to hear from every County President regarding her plans. Dear White Ribboners we must make a special effort this coming year to increase our membership and gain subscriptions to the Union Signal and Crusader Monthly. In no way is our influence so far reaching as during our Institutes if we plan wisely and well.

The wave of temperance sentiment that is sweeping over the country and has reached, and touched our own beloved Indiana, gives us opportunities beyond any in past years. Let us make the most of them, and use them for the protection of the homes of our State. The Plan of Work for this department has just reached me, and before the January issue reaches you, will be in your hands.

Please try and work to it and write me at once. With every good wish for a Happy, Prosperous and Blessed New Year, I am

Lovingly yours to serve,

Rose Pearce,
State Supt. Institutes.

Cayuga, Ind.

JAIL AND PRISON WORK.

My Dear Sisters:

I would enjoy meeting all of you and talking over our work, for an exchange of thoughts as well as considering the best plans for bringing the greatest results. But as I cannot see you face to face, I am sending you a little love letter through our dear Message, just to remind you that I am still thinking of my good helpers. With

a list of questions which I think will enable you to better understand what we are expected to do. Let us strive to do our best as that is our reasonable service:

1. No. visits to jail..... No. visits to almshouses..... No. pledges secured.....
2. Are Gospel services held each Sabbath in your charitable and penal institutions?.....
3. Do you seek to interest clergymen and others in the work?.....
4. Have you endeavored to secure a library for the jail?.....
5. What books have you purchased and how were you assisted?.....
6. Do you at all times keep jail supplied with temperance literature?.....
7. Is the jail supplied with copies of Union Signal and Message?.....
8. Have you petitioned for Matron in all Counties where needed?.....
9. Do you keep in touch with State Board of Charities and Corrections and attend their conferences?.....
10. Have you petitioned the County Board for the complete separation of prisoners?.....
11. Do you study penology and criminology?.....
12. Do you seek to inform yourself of the law governing our penal institutions?.....
13. Do you keep in touch with agents of our penal institutions and assist in securing homes for paroled or discharged prisoners?.....
14. No. of prisoners talked to, male and female?.....
15. No. of boquets used?.....
16. No. of Bibles and Testaments given?.....
17. No. of prisoners sent from your county to State Penitentiary?.....
18. No. of letters written to them while there?.....
19. No. of conversions among prisoners and what age?.....
20. No. that have had careful training in the home?.....
21. No. that have had Christian parents?.....
22. No. that belong to church?.....
23. No. that are in prison through the influence of drink?.....

Note—Please add items of interest not included in above questions

With best wishes for our work.

(Mrs.) Sallie Shugart Edgerton.

Marion, R. F. D. 3.

FLOYD COUNTY W. C. T. U. ANNUAL FLOWER MISSION REPORT.

Boquets, 120; pages of literature, 25,000; visits to sick, 800; hours spent with sick, 1,000; garments given away, 150; boxes of candy, 20; boxes of fruit, 100; boxes of cakes, 50; canned goods, 52; large cakes, 26; mottoes given away, 75; lunches, 530; baskets, 50; lunches to hospital, 20; sewing for needy—days, 12; cottage meetings, 75; books given away, 220; letters, 128; money spent, \$30.00; special meetings held at flower mission, old ladies' home, jail and alms house.

Mrs. Cora Strack,
Flower Mission Supt.

When we remember that in this twentieth century only twenty per cent. of the young men ever darken a church door, and that only about 2½ per cent. of these are actively engaged in Christian work, it would seem that something ought to be done.

Twenty years ago in San Francisco they had 200 flourishing churches which were well attended. At the time of the earthquake, notwithstanding the increase in population by the thousands during the twenty years, they had 160 churches and 3,400 saloons licensed by the people. The saloons caused forty churches to die and to go out of existence. And one of the largest remaining churches has lost 50 per cent in membership and spiritual power. In Northern California there is a town with 150 legalized saloons and twelve churches.

A visit to the liquor cafes in Los Angeles one night found 350 girls and 600 boys drinking liquors in three places; only three. On another night, (Sunday), four places were visited, and found 391 girls, some from the best families, drinking liquor. One was the daughter of one of the pastors of the city, who was preaching that night in his pulpit. The girl could not have been remonstrated with for she was patronizing one of the places her father had voted to permit to do business. Every man who votes for the nominee of any party that licenses the liquor traffic, becomes, himself, by his vote, a party to the liquor business and the results which it brings.

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All material intended for publication must be in the hands of the editor before the 15th of the month.

National W. C. T. U. Convention, 1908, Denver, Colorado, October 16-21.

Indiana Mid-Year Executive will meet at Lebanon, during the first week in April.

Now is the time to decide to attend the National W. C. T. U. Convention at Denver. The trip will be fine. Colorado gives the right of suffrage to women. Decide now to go to Denver next fall and take your son or daughter with you.

Mid-Year Executive Meeting is of great importance. The membership is as follows: The Board of State Trustees, which includes the five general officers and four others; the Branch Secretaries; editor of State paper; President and Secretary of the Board of State Superintendents and the President of each county. Everyone of these persons should attend without fail. The county presidents should be sent by their counties. Every county president should be able to report at least three newly organized unions at the Mid-Year Meeting.

County Institutes—Indiana has been greatly benefited by the County Institute plan. At no time in the history of Indiana W. C. T. U. has there been such an opportunity for holding great institutes. As soon as the time and place for the County Institute is decided upon, advertise and advertise. Consider how much is accomplished in the commercial world by advertising. Then consider if you please, how much advertising is done by the theatrical people and with what results. If our W. C. T. U. people would advertise their county institutes, conventions and conferences great indeed would be the results. Expensive advertising is not always the most effective. Printing posters and hand bills do not cost much money and they certainly help to interest many in the subject mentioned, especially if they are used some time in advance. It is belittling to the cause to plan for a county meeting of any kind and then fail to widely announce and advertise. For any kind of a County W. C. T. U. meeting advertising should begin four weeks before the time set. A write up of plans for meeting and place of holding with names of prominent speakers should be sent to the county newspapers three weeks in advance. Following this practical announcements through the columns of the newspapers, special letters and invitations to women's organizations, young peoples' societies and to church organizations should be sent

several weeks previous to the date of the meeting. A generous and businesslike use of posters and hand bills up to the last day is indispensable. Personal letters of invitation to educators, ministers and men holding local and county offices should be sent, signed by the county president and county recording secretary. For this latter purpose nicely printed cards are used by some organizations; with these should be enclosed a printed program of the meeting. In order that the Indiana County Institutes, Conventions and Conferences may this year be instrumental in bringing great victories for our cause, every local union should decide to help as never before. For your County institute the local presidents should now help the county president to decide definitely about plans and committees for the county. There is great need of a county advertising committee. This should be composed of an energetic capable woman from each union, to serve with a prompt, efficient county officer.

The most prominent and influential men and women in educational and philanthropic work in every county of Indiana should this year be on our W. C. T. U. Institute, Convention and Conference programs. The best musicians of our counties should this year be secured for our W. C. T. U. county programs. Invite them individually and invite the best quartettes, and orchestras to help us. Whenever possible invite them many weeks ahead and furnish temperance music for them when practical. Get newspaper cuts of the institute leader and as many others who will be on the program as possible, including the prominent musicians and use these ahead of time in the newspapers with a short personal. To successfully do these things will require weeks of time. Great results must follow our County Institutes. In order that this be accomplished great plans and much work must be done before the institute is held. All Indiana for Prohibition! Now is the time to work and plan for our greatest year's work!

NOTES FROM THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

Madison Union reports 200 members enrolled. Ft. Wayne reports forty new members.

Mrs. Mary Sibbitt, who gave Indiana several weeks of very efficient service, closed her work at Morgantown, December 20th, and returned to her Kansas home for a rest through the holidays. A Connersville paper called her a "cyclone of mother love backed by enthusiasm." She held a great meeting at Portland on the afternoon of Sunday, December 8th, at which she plainly told the men their duty on the saloon question. She then solicited funds for the prosecution of the work and raised \$121.82. Mrs. Sibbitt has promised to return to our State if possible for two months work in the spring. Those wishing her services may write your State Corresponding Secretary, and your application will be kept on file.

Mrs. R. J. Trego, who has been in our State since September 8th, closed her work in Wells County, December 20th, and returned home for the holidays, after which she is to go east for a few weeks. Mrs. Trego has won many friends in our State, who will be glad to welcome her back.

One new Union has been organized in each of the following counties since State Convention: Huntington, Hamilton, Jay, Blackford, Rush, Vermillion. If any other unions have been organized in the State please report the names and addresses of the officers to the State Corresponding Secretary.

The work of the year has started out with great promise. Many encouraging reports come to my desk. Many letters say, "our delegates to the State Convention come home full of enthusiasm and give splendid reports." We had a great convention and the inspiration of it has been felt all over the State. It has given our work new life. Let us keep this inspiration throughout the year. We have a great cause, and a leader "who was never foiled in battle." Victory is sure if each one is faithful to duty.

Mary E. Woodard.

EVANGELISTIC DEPARTMENT.

Beloved Co-Workers:

Just a few words of New Year's greeting to remind you that you are lovingly remembered by your State Superintendent. I wish I could sit down by you for a little while and talk over the work with you and of your own heart experiences. How is it? Are you fully given up to do the Master's will, no matter what that is? Do you rest in Him? And do you enjoy His blessed companionship and fellowship? I trust you do, and that you are daily feeding upon the Heavenly manna and "growing in grace and in the knowledge of God." I have not yet received Miss Greenwood's annual leaflet. As soon as I do I will endeavor to get it to you with my own leaflet. I think she may have some new suggestions, which I may wish to emphasize. I have a number of her last year's leaflet on hand. If anyone has failed to receive this please let me know and I will send it to you. If I can serve you in any way let me know and I will do anything in my power to aid you. Can you not ar-

range for a week's Gospel Temperance meetings? Let us make this the best year in our work for the salvation of souls and for the temperance cause. Let us daily pray for each other and the work. With love and best wishes for a "Happy New Year," I am

Faithfully yours,

E. M. Haughton.

STATE TRUSTEES MEETING.

The Board of Trustees met in Indianapolis, at The Bertha Ballard, December 2d, at 10 a. m. All members of the Board were present. After Scripture reading and prayer by Rev. Vayhinger, the business of the day was at once taken up. Reports from Miss Mary Woodard, Corresponding Secretary, regarding the work since the State Convention were most encouraging. Many calls for speakers and organizers reported.

The State President strongly urged the need of working for an increase in membership and in subscriptions to the Union Signal and Crusader Monthly. Plans were laid to further same. Letter from the Secretary of Winona was read, and on motion the program for W. C. T. U. day at Winona, 1908, was framed.

Reports from our Hadley Industrial School were encouraging.

An invitation to hold the Mid-Year meeting at Lebanon was accepted. This meeting will be held during the first week in April, and will be of one and one-half days' duration, meeting on the first day at two p. m. After a full day of business meeting adjourned at 5:15 p. m.

Mrs. Rose Pearce,

Cayuga, Dec. 13, 1907.

State Rec. Sec.

SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE.

I was very much surprised and disappointed, in looking through the minutes, to find that fewer than half the counties have superintendents of this department. Now dear sisters this is one of the important departments in our work and I hope many new superintendents may be added to the list at once. Send me the names and addresses and I will help them all I can.

Our work in this department is only begun. We have the law, we have the text book, but are the required number of lessons taught? There is something for you to find out. The "Conn" text books are adopted and are pretty generally in the hands of the pupils. But these reach only as low as the fourth grade.

What are the primary teachers doing? Have they anything to do with them? These are some of the points for us to be working on.

I now have law cards which may be had at ten cents per dozen. Mrs. Cammack Gibson's Temperance Programs may also be had from me at five cents each, or six for twenty-five cents. My plan is ready and will be sent out with samples of literature to those whose names and addresses I have, and others who may apply. Send to Crusader Monthly, Evanston, Ill., for sample copies. Let us do with our might what our hands find to do.

(Mrs.) Ethel E. Bair,

North Liberty, Ind. Supt. St. Joseph County.

MRS. STANLEY'S NOTE BOOK.

Dear Comrades:

As the blessed Christmas tide draws near I want to send each one who wears the white ribbon a word of love and good cheer. Since my last message to you I have visited several unions and found all of them with an increased membership this first quarter. I find it much easier to enlist both men and women in our work now than ever before, for they begin to realize that we are going to win. I have had one service for the Vayhinger Union of Indianapolis, the past quarter; two for Eaton, where I secured ten new members. They have voted their saloons out there and our forces are jubilant. They are now turning their attention to "blind-tigers" that seem to crouch along the streets. But the good people are not so much afraid of a blind-tiger as they are afraid of the argos-eyed devil of the licensed saloon.

I went to Hartford City in the afternoon and had a fine audience—got six members. The largest union in the State was present in a body, with our fearless General Stahl at its head.

At Connersville I found the churches putting on new hope because of their increased success since they lined up for prohibition. They don't say "temperance" over there any more, but are out for prohibition. I was at College Corner in my own county, Sabbath evening. Had a fine audience, all the churches uniting. Our women there had been sewing last week with a sick sister and caring for a poor family who were drifting over this chilly earth because of misdirected energy. I now go to Celina, Ohio, for a Christmas service. They are disgusted with high license.

Yours for victory in 1908.

Elizabeth T. Stanley.

When we remember that of the 16,000,000 young men in the United States 10,500,000 of them have already contracted the drink habit, it would seem that it was time that something was being done.

DEPARTMENT OF MORAL EDUCATION.

Dear Sisters:

You see the National has changed our name from Mothers' Meetings to Moral Education. No doubt some of you will soon be writing for Plan of Work. I pray that we may all take on new energy in view of the great victories coming our way. As mothers and homekeepers we cannot afford to be indifferent to the evils of impurity blighting the lives of so many young people and bringing sorrow to so many homes. In order to counteract these evils and establish a single standard of purity for men and women, we must enlist all the forces we can rally, and do our work as unto the Lord. Please, will every County Superintendent write to every local union in her county, and if there is no local superintendent urge the appointment of one at once. Emphasize the importance of keeping a record of all work done. We want to inspire the county superintendent to be more persistent in her efforts to secure more and better reports from local unions. County Superintendents have said there is no place for me to report. We are going to have one, and as soon as out I will send to every County Superintendent whose name and address I can get in the directory or otherwise.

To Local Superintendents: First secure a small blank book; don't keep it blank, but record in figures the number of all meetings held, sermons preached, pledges signed, and every page of literature distributed, in fact, all work done in any branch of this department. Urge the thorough distribution of good, pure literature, and the circulation of "American Motherhood," a most excellent magazine which can be ordered from your State Superintendent, or Crist, Scott & Parshall, Cooperstown, New York. Price \$1.00 per year. No superintendent who has that book in hand will be at a loss for material for a mothers' meeting. My leaflet explains how to begin as well as I can tell you. I will send a moderate supply to all superintendents who apply with stamps for postage. If possible establish a circulating library of choice purity books.

Secure the curfew ordinance in your town, unless you have it, and if so work for its enforcement. We must strive to save the boys and girls who are congregating about the railroad stations and roving the streets after dark. Twenty thousand of such as these are now in our reform schools, and 2,000,000 are arrested every year in the United States. The White Ribbon Cradle Roll is now called the "White Ribbon Recruits" and no work is more hopeful. Push this branch, for through it we enlist mothers who cannot be otherwise interested, and this little army of recruits will soon fill our places. The plan of the W. C. T. U. does not call for any dues. It is well however, to ask the mother to make a freewill offering on each birthday of the child to the local superintendent to aid in providing literature for the mother to help her in training her child. Our National Superintendent wrote me just before the National Convention that we "stood a good chance to get the National Banner." If all work done had been reported the banner doubtless would have come to Indiana, but you forgot. May our Heavenly Father help us all to do our best.

Mrs. S. M. Stahl, State Supt.

PROPORTIONATE AND SYSTEMATIC GIVING.
Dear Comrades:

It seems impossible to attend such a magnificent gathering as the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, without being filled with the same spirit and enthusiasm, and hopes for the future success of the cause we love. Every superintendent desires that her department be the best. As State Superintendent of Proportionate and Systematic Giving, I wish to urge the great importance of having County as well as Local Superintendents, and will you kindly send names at once? Please note the subjects in the Model Program sent out by the State and carry out the program. Please take first Sunday in April for ministers to preach on the subject, if they will, and may the seed sown bring forth abundant harvest. Lovingly yours,

Mrs. Tilman Hobson.

The Ladies of the W. C. T. U. of College Corner, met at the home of Mrs. Margaret Harvey, December 5th, and had a sewing for the benefit of Mrs. Charley Harvey, who has sickness in the family. The ladies made eight garments besides many other helpful things they did. Mrs. Harvey appreciated their kindness. God bless them and may the good work go on.

Mrs. Stanley, our State Vice-President, delivered an address in the M. E. Church of College Corner, Sunday evening, Dec. 15th, it being a union series. There was a large attendance. All who listened to her address felt that the liquor problem was indeed the great question before the people today. She gave a fine report of the National Convention at Nashville.

The South Dakota State Committee is out with its 1908 campaign announcement, which involves an "on to the Legislature" movement, and the endorsement of the State-County Prohibition law.

FIELD NEWS

Madison—Mrs. Mary Sibbitt, of Wichita, Kansas, gave an address at a mothers' meeting on the afternoon of November 19th, at the Christian Church, giving a heart to heart talk to the women. She compared the W. C. T. U. to a great tent, with forty ropes, and the white ribbon army holding tight and fast each rope, when by and by the great tent would open up and we would have a prohibition tent under which to raise our girls and boys. At the close of the talk, twenty-one mothers came forward and joined the ranks of the white ribbon army. At night Mrs. Sibbitt spoke to a large audience at the Court House, the men of the G. A. R. attending in a body. She expressed her love for these grand men, who by their sacrifices had been made possible the freedom which we now enjoy. She also spoke to the women of the Women's Relief Corps, encouraging them to continue in their noble work of brightening the path way of the dear old veterans. At the close of the meeting seven more names were enrolled, most of them being men who joined the ranks of the white ribbon army. Mrs. Sibbitt certainly proved herself a lecturer of great ability, and is an inspiration to those who hear her on the grand old subject, "temperance."

Jennie D. Simpson.

Decatur County—Mrs. Mary F. Sibbitt of Kansas visited our county during November, and conducted a series of meetings. Arriving at Greensburg on November 20th, she held a mothers' meeting on Wednesday afternoon at the home of one of our members, which despite the unfavorable weather, was well attended. In the evening she spoke at the New Point. The following evening she lectured at St. Paul in the Methodist Church. A number of our local union attended, going by the interurban line. On Friday afternoon, accompanied by our county president, she conducted a meeting at Sandusky, one of our neighboring villages, where there is a small union, and Friday evening delivered her splendid lecture, "David and Goliath," as her text, to an interested and appreciative audience at the Presbyterian church in our city, Greensburg. At the close of the meeting five new members and one honorary was added to our local union. All who had the pleasure of hearing her were deeply interested in her earnestness, and we feel that she is a power indeed in the temperance cause and will gladly welcome her again.

Mrs. Lillie B. McKim.

Danville is supposed to be dry, after a long fight. The people here did not realize that while they had "slept the enemy had sown tares." When the remonstrance was up they thought there was such a strong temperance sentiment here that there was no danger but what there would be enough signers, but failed to prove it in Commissioners Court, when the case was tried before Judge Allen. By hard work it was proven that there were six majority in favor of remonstrance. Thank the Lord. Remonstrances in Liberty and Union townships were too strong to be questioned. The W. C. T. U. held their county convention at Avon, September 27th. The old officers were selected. We had a good contest at night, a house full. A lad of Mooresville got the prize.

Rhoda McClain.

Evansville—We were much pleased to have our dear white ribbon sister, Mrs. Trego, with us for a few days, as she was returning from the National. I enclose a clipping from the Evansville Journal-News. Mrs. Trego is an earnest Christian worker and a woman that reaches the hearts of her hearers. I wish it had been possible for every mother in Evansville to have been present at our parlor meeting. We hope to have her again. May God bless her in her work for the boys and girls of our nation.

"The lecture on 'Darkest America,' given by Mrs. R. J. Trego, national evangelist of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Monday night at Evans Hall, was one of the most interesting and instructive of the kind that has been given in Evansville. The lecture was illustrated with stereopticon views, all taken from life and illustrating most forcibly the points of the speaker's address. 'Darkest America's' cloud appears as the liquor traffic, and the evils of dissipation were well shown in picture views of the stomachs of the occasional drinker, the moderate drinker and of the drunkard. Many other views were given showing the physical, moral and financial effects of intemperance. The lecture was enjoyed by a fairly good audience.

"Mrs. Trego has made three addresses in Howell and two in Evansville, and goes now to Northern Indiana for several days work before returning to her home in Cleveland, Ohio. She has been attending the National W. C. T. U. convention in Nashville."

Mary B. Jenner.

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At Elwood Sunday afternoon, December first, was a great day for the W. C. T. U. The big temperance mass meeting held in the wigwam,

which has a seating capacity of 7,000, was the best and most enthusiastic gathering of the kind ever held in the city and shows that the temperance workers are not asleep. The meeting was announced for three o'clock, but the crowd began to assemble long before that hour and by the time the first speaker was introduced the hall was well filled. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. Sarah Adair, the local W. C. T. U. president. There was an orchestra composed of the orchestras of the Christian and the M. E. Sunday Schools. After singing "America," followed by Scripture reading and prayer, Miss Hook sang a temperance solo, and the "Kansas Cyclone," as Mrs. Sibbitt is called, held the audience with a voice that was full of power, reaching to all parts of the big room, and presenting arguments backed by statistics, that none could gainsay. Space would forbid a full review of this masterful presentation of the reason why the licensed saloons should be abolished. To get the best results one must hear this talented lady, who is devoting her life to this movement, and who views the situation at this time as the most encouraging of any period since the Government began sharing in the profits of this infamous business. Rev. I. S. Wade, of Lafayette, followed Mrs. Sibbitt in a rousing address, and although he started out saying that after the cyclone there is a calm, yet it proved to be anything but a calm for he had the closets attention of that large audience, late though it was, and he was accorded generous applause. He was so filled with the message he brought us that he could not waste a moment of his time, but continued speaking amidst the applause. Rev. Wade has had a wide experience in this line of work and his address was a power for good in the Elwood crusade that is to persist until our city is rid of the places that deal out want, woe and ruin to so many homes. The male quartette furnished a very appropriate number and was well received by the enthusiastic audience.

Taken altogether that Sunday meeting was one long to be remembered and the results will be of untold benefit to Elwood. Surely no one who heard the pathetic incidents related by the speakers could longer hesitate as to their duty.

One thing is certain that there is no longer any neutral grounds, and no timid ones need try to hide behind such an excuse. Mrs. Sibbitt addressed a large audience at the M. E. Church in the evening. A large number of women and gentlemen put on the white ribbon.

Sarah Adair.

The Frankfort Union has defeated one saloon keeper and he will close his place December 26th. Only one! But it was one of the worst, for there the boys were enticed and led astray. We had five temperance sermons World's Temperance day. The union accepted the invitation of Dr. Melear, pastor of the M. E. Church to attend in a body, and listened to one of the most forceful temperance sermons ever delivered from that pulpit. Dr. Melear not only preaches and prays for the temperance work, but he wears the white ribbon and votes as he preaches and prays. Mrs. Emma Saylor spoke at the U. B. Church in the morning at the Sunday School hour on "Home versus the Saloon," and also conducted a silver medal contest at the M. E. Church, at the Sunday School hour in the afternoon. Pledge cards were signed in all the Sunday Schools. Three of our members belong to the State Board of Charities and assist Judge Claybaugh in the Juvenile Court. Through the influence we have the curfew law enforced. Our press superintendent writes for two of our daily papers, and also writes other articles, besides announcing special meetings and reporting all the regular meetings.

Mrs. Emma Saylor, Press Supt.,

52 Taylor Street.

Mrs. Jennet Amelia Gilmore of Bloomington writes a personal letter to the editor: "My health has been very poor. I have sold out and am going to Los Angeles, California, the last of the week. I am all alone. I feel very sad at parting; over thirty-four years in the W. C. T. U. work. I helped my pastor's wife to organize the Crusade forces. I have been all through the campaign. I am about alone now; they have nearly all passed over am alone now; they have nearly all passed over the river that were in the first ranks. I served nineteen years as County Superintendent of Literature, and held other offices. I have done what I could to advance the cause; I spared neither money nor time, and I can assure you it makes me feel very sad to leave. It was my husband's wish that I go for my health. I said it was sad to go alone into a strange place. He said you go into your W. C. T. U. work and into your church work and you will make friends. My wish is that God's richest blessing may be on Indiana W. C. T. U. I would like to have the Message to know how you are getting on. Remember me to all my friends.

The Balbec Union enjoyed one of Mrs. Sibbitt's good lectures on the evening of November 28th. Mrs. Sibbitt delivered eight or ten lectures in our county and we believe much good was accomplished.

Another item that should have been reported earlier was a season social given by the Balbec

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Union on the evening before the State Convention. It was held at the home of the President, Mrs. Edmundson, and was a success socially and financially. Four booths were arranged and decorated to represent the four seasons. Each booth was furnished with tables and the young lady waiters were kept busy serving refreshments. At the spring booth were sold chicken sandwiches and coffee; summer, ice cream and cake; autumn, pumpkin pie and milk; winter oysters. The pumpkin pie, cakes and milk were donated by the Union.

Eva Hunt.

The Bremen W. C. T. U. observed World's Temperance Sunday by using the Sunday School Temperance Pledge cards in the Sunday Schools. We received a good number of pledge signatures in the morning. In the afternoon we held a special temperance meeting, which was well attended, the auditorium of the church being filled and a very good interest shown in the temperance work.

Mrs. Matilda E. Berg.

The Stinesville W. C. T. U. had the pleasure of having Mrs. Trego, who held a mothers' meeting and gave a very inspiring lecture. Her talks at the public schools were very entertaining as well as instructive. Four ladies of this union visited the schools and presented Miss Willard's picture, books and literature. The gentlemen's silver medal contest with Mrs. L. C. Litten in charge, was largely attended. The church looked very pretty decorated with white and yellow and with ferns. Miss Willard's picture hung at the back of the platform draped with a large white bow. The medal was awarded Mr. Sylvester Hoadley, whose whole soul seemed to be centered in the good he can do in this temperance cause. The other contestants did well and were given carnations. The Union will hold a handkerchief and fancy candy bazaar December 21st.

Seymour—Dec. 11th, a good attendance; excellent music and a very enjoyable social half hour, with a very interesting program at the meeting of the W. C. T. U. at the residence of Mrs. W. C. Black. Important business was transacted and one new member added to the Union. Nov. 28th an interesting meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Wylie. Roll call responses, "Reasons for W. C. T. U. Thanksgiving," Reading, "My Mother Taught Me," Mrs. Short; "Licensed Saloon Unconstitutional," Mrs. Hadley; "Progress of the W. C. T. U. in the Last Decade," Mrs. Hoffman; Mandolin music by Miss Gertrude Wylie.

From South Bend daily press, sent to Message by Mrs. Caroline Fassuacht—"A very fine temperance rally was observed at the First Baptist Church Sunday afternoon under the auspices of the W. C. T. U., that organization and the city Sunday Schools joining forces. The attendance was very large, nearly every Sunday School in the city being represented in addition to the temperance unions. A programme of exceptional merit was presented and enthusiasm was of a high order. Rev. M. C. Beale, superintendent of the St. Paul's Memorial M. E. Church, presided. Superintendents of the different Sunday Schools occupied seats upon the rostrum. Remarks were made by city ministers and others interested in the cause of temperance. The programme also included dialogues, readings and recitations by members of the different schools. The First Methodist and the First Presbyterian orchestras furnished music. Vocal numbers also added to the effectiveness of the programme. Pledge cards were passed before the close of the meeting and many signed."

"The Auditorium annex was filled to overflowing with an enthusiastic audience Sunday evening at the concluding lecture of Dr. N. W. Tracy, the noted temperance evangelist. The services were conducted by the W. C. T. U. A quartette sang two beautiful selections. The series of lectures just closed are considered the finest of their kind ever given in South Bend and the W. C. T. U. is gratified over the deep interest in temperance and reform which they have advanced in this city. Dr. Tracy has gone to Plymouth, Ind., where he will deliver his course of lectures under the auspices of the ministerial association of that city."

Columbus Union is sorry to report the going out of one of the charter members. Sister Eliza B. Veach passed to the great beyond November 24th. She was not able to attend our meetings for quite a while before her death, but her prayer and sympathies were always with us.

Mrs. S. W. Buxton.

Blackford County—Mrs. S. M. Stahl, County President and also local president of the Hartford City Union, with Mrs. O. P. Sample went to Mill Grove, Friday, December 6th, and organized a W. C. T. U. with eighteen members and a good prospect for more. It was through the earnest effort of Miss Forest Andrews that the union was organized and she was elected president. Miss Andrews is a very devoted Christian and will push the work. Rev. and Mrs. Price kindly opened their home for the meeting and also became members. Mill Grove has no saloons but the good sisters wish to line up and help in great fight. Hartford City has twenty-three saloons, but the fight is on and they will have to go. As you have not heard from our city for some time I wish to say we are not asleep, but have had Mrs. Sibbits of Kansas, James M.

Dawson, of Indianapolis, Rev. Beard of Eaton, our own Mrs. Stahl, and Mrs. Stanley, all to give addresses recently. Judging from our large audiences and generous collections (if nothing more) they were very much appreciated. We are creating public sentiment.

Mrs. Sample, Press Reporter.

South Bend Dry—At a meeting of the South Milk Dealers' Association, November 13th, most of the dealers agreed not to deliver any more milk on Sunday. The indications are that all of the dealers will join in the agreement, thus stopping every wagon in the city. All scenic theatres in South Bend are now closed on the Lord's Day.

Howard County—South Kokomo W. C. T. U. held a social November 12th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Hillis, with a short program, consisting of song, Scripture reading, prayer, talks by Revs. Shoemaker and Golt, recitation by Mrs. Tate, song by four young girls and motion song by two small children. The hostess Mrs. Albright, Mrs. Keck and Mrs. Spurlin served refreshments, while there was music by the graphophone. Thursday, Nov. 14, there was a meeting of Supts. of departments at Phlox. The departments considered were Purity in Literature and Art, Anti-Narcotics, Peace and Arbitration, Law and Statistics, Evangelistic, Jail and Prison Work. Much interest was manifested and much good work planned for the coming year.

H. M. Arnold, Co. Press Supt.

Elwood—Tuesday evening, Dec. 3d, there was an interesting, interdenominational meeting held with a large attendance. Rev. R. Loyd Roberts of the Congregational Church, presiding. The enthusiasm was great. One minister in his address stated that he had voted an independent ticket, but from this on, if he lived to be ninety years old, he would vote for straight Prohibition. It was decided to at once organize a permanent temperance league, which should have control of the work, and act according to the best knowledge of the present conditions. Officers were elected as follows: President, F. E. Thomas; Vice President, Sarah J. Adair; Second Vice-President, J. R. Elliott; Secretary, Fred. Buchanan; Treasurer, Rev. Fred. Clark, of the M. E. Church. It was requested that the outline of the plans be made public. There will be a remonstrance started in all of the wards and townships in a short time. This movement was started by the Elwood W. C. T. U. There will be no stop until a clean sweep is made and this will be done if we are able to carry out our plans.

Sarah Adair.

The Monroe County W. C. T. U. held its convention in the Christian Church yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Susan Russel presided at the request of Mrs. Beck, president. The reports for the last year were encouraging. The election of officers resulted as follows: Mrs. A. J. Sieben-thal, president; Mrs. Bert. Hoadley, Stinesville, vice-president; Mrs. Von Behren, recording secretary; Mrs. Litton, Stinesville, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Maude Luzzader, Smithville, treasurer. Superintendents of departments were elected as follows: Mrs. Henry Dodds, mothers' meetings; medical temperance, Mrs. T. J. Clark; press, Mrs. H. T. Kitson; contest work, Mrs. Russell; equal suffrage, Mrs. Berry; soldiers' and sailors' Mrs. Lena Beck. A gold medal contest was held in the evening with four contestants. Mrs. Boyle, Cecil Botkins of Smithville, Mrs. Bert Hoadley and Lena Krebs of Stinesville. Mrs. Hoadley was winner of the medal. Mrs. Adams, of Morgantown, gave a very interesting report of the national convention lately held at Nashville, Tenn.

The Salem W. C. T. U. meeting on December 3d was both entertaining and instructive. A large majority of the members and several visitors were present. Quarterly reports and talks along their special lines of work were given by the respective superintendents of the following departments: Literature, Purity, Franchise, Sabbath Observance, Press Work and Parliamentary Usage. The subject, "Resolved, That women being, if not more interested in the welfare of the children, should be allowed to vote on equal terms with men," was interestingly discussed.

Our Superintendent of Franchise Mrs. Lucretia Prow, led in the discussion, producing unanswerable argument in support of the assertion, proving that the welfare of the children, and consequently of the nation, demands the full enfranchisement of the women of the nation. This was our twelfth discussion on woman suffrage during the year, and at the close, our president, who at the beginning was not at all in favor of it, and who suggested the discussion that she might become better informed on the subject, announced herself as now being in favor of women voting. She said she would vote if she had a chance. Two or three others who had not been right sure whether they were in favor of equal suffrage for women or not, announced that they were now decidedly favorable thereof.

On adjournment a guest recited a touching poem, with good effect, after which the hostess, Mrs. Lizzie Clark and daughter, served refreshments, among which were ham sandwiches tied with our emblem of membership. There was a feeling that this had been the most enjoyable

as well as the most beneficial of our meetings during the year. The visitors were so well pleased with it that four of them donned the white ribbon.

We had Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley with us Saturday night and Sunday night, November 2d and 3d. On Saturday evening she gave a short address and a reading in the Baptist church, to a moderately sized, but very appreciative audience. She spoke at the Blue River Friends Church on Sunday morning. This is about two miles out. Here she held a large audience with marked attention for more than an hour. At the close of the meeting, everybody apparently wanted to shake hands with her and bid her God speed in the cause. Several of our Union drove out to this meeting. Her address and high appreciation thereof by the intelligent audience, made us feel very thankful for the W. C. T. U. On all hands such remarks as this: "Wasn't that fine?" That was the grandest thing I ever heard." They said to us, "I reckon you are proud of Mrs. Stanley." We answered we should think we are proud of her. The several pastors of the Salem churches joined in arranging for a union meeting at the Christian Church here on Sunday evening, to hear Mrs. Stanley's reading, "At the Mercy of the State." The house was crowded to the utmost, even standing room was at a premium. It is estimated that at least 600 were present. It was a grand success.

Mary N. Overman,
Local Supt. Press Work.

Colorado Prohibitionists are carrying on a strenuous inter-campaign agitation. For the first three months seven field workers have been devoting their entire time to the party movement. The Robley Quartet who have captivated nearly 20,000 people during the last four months, will close their engagement with the State Committee, November 21st, State Chairman Reinhardt states that this year the funds from all quarters is more than has been received in any year since he has been in the State. The hearty cooperation of the W. C. T. U. in many sections has encouraged the party workers.

IN MEMORIAM.

Richmond Frances E. Willard Union mourns the death of one of the staunchest, truest sisters, Mrs. Caroline C. Hodgins. Her life was positively for all good. For many years she served God, the W. C. T. U. and the cause of Peace with fearlessness and loyalty. At the beginning she was a member of the Trustees of our Hadley Industrial School. So long as health and strength permitted she did what she could.

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FOR MARCH 20—PROHIBITION DAY.

Now is the time in which to lay plans for big mass meetings, engage speakers and arrange for High License debates, engage the Opera House, or the biggest auditorium in town. Secure the services of the best orchestra.

Ask the Sunday Schools to each furnish a great chorus of temperance music, their Superintendents to assist them. Get the best one or two speakers possible.

Announce—advertise—put up posters everywhere. Send posters out to be used along the roads. Send small bills in quantities to every section of the community. Keep many lines of black faced type announcements in the papers.

For weeks keep up the advertising and when the great day comes the people will be there. Arrange for the proper person to take a \$500.00 collection for the work in town and township. The W. C. T. U. can do much if it will swing out on the promises of God.

"Fifty Thousand Members and Ohio Dry" is the watchword of the Ohio W. C. T. U.

Quarterly Temperance Sundays for 1908 will be March 29th, June 28th, Sept. 27th and Nov. 29th, (World's Temperance Sunday.)

High License is now being endorsed by the liquor men of Pennsylvania. The law "is eminently satisfactory to them," they say.

Who Says "Prohibition Don't Prohibit?" The next day after Georgia went dry a Cincinnati paper said that it would mean the loss of \$5,000,000 a year to the wholesale liquor dealers. The St. Louis millionaire brewer Adolphus Busch was quoted by the Associated Press from Kansas City, Dec. 9th, regarding the spread of Prohibition: "Its spreading all over the South and even Oklahoma went prohibition. That cost me a million dollars. I am in favor of local option." If prohibition does not prohibit as we have been told for two decades of years, why such statements. The very statement is a lie on its face.

The Chicago Tribune of December 11th has a large first page cartoon of the interior of a "Poor Man's Club" (a saloon) underneath this striking picture is a list of "club notes" giving brief information concerning the awful happenings to "members of the club," those who were injured or robbed in the saloon on one night. It is suggested that if all newspapers would thus list the reports of injuries and murders from result of the saloon, each day in a column separately, it would enable the reading public to better measure results from the liquor business. The liquor advertisements in our papers and magazines pay such large revenue to the publishers that they accept them.

Now the Brewers are demanding that the papers that get their money for advertising must suppress Prohibition news. In every community it now becomes the privilege of our W. C. T. U. people to "cry aloud and spare not." Newspaper editors and publishers must either be with us or against us. So long as they get much of their income from whiskey and beer advertising they are subservient to the liquor men.

College towns in Indiana are going dry.

(Associated Prohibition Press.)

FIVE PROHIBITION BILLS BEFORE CONGRESS.

These five measures are:

(1) **The McCumber Bill**—to prohibit liquor selling anywhere on or adjacent to property owned by the United States Government.

(2) **The Littlefield Bill**—prohibiting all interstate liquor traffic into prohibition territory—a square deal State's rights proposal, demanded by every Prohibition community in America.

(3) **Another Inter-State Bill**—going further than the Littlefield measure and to act as a lever for that one—asking the total Prohibition of all Interstate liquor selling into license or prohibition States alike.

(4) **Bill Suggested by former Governor L. C. Hughes of Arizona**, prohibiting liquor selling within twenty-five miles of any Indian reservation.

(5) **Bill Forbidding Importation of Opium** throughout entire jurisdiction of the United States except by Government Commissioners for medicinal use.

To pass this important legislation and each in-

dividual item of it, one thing is absolutely required:

Flood the Congressional mails, bombard every Senator and Representative with an irresistible deluge of appeal and petition, until every Christian citizen and every citizen of whatever faith throughout the land who believes in civic righteousness shall have let his Legislators at Washington know what he wants and that he wants it now.

Meanwhile, although the Prohibition National Committee's special representatives at Washington will focus all their energies to aid in this great struggle to secure reform "by petition," the Prohibition party will not abate one instant in continually striking the same unanswerable keynote of its everlasting campaign, thunderingly emphasized in this present situation. "The only way for the people to achieve what they want and be sure they are getting what they ask for, is to elect men who will first of all represent them, and who will not need to be cajoled, and pleaded with, as well as being petitioned, begged and entreated as a special condescending favor, to enact this reform measure and that, but who will make it their first business to do it, because they were elected on a platform frankly pledged to champion the rights of the people rather than those of the successful grafters who may control a few votes.

Indeed here is one of the most astonishing of

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Countess of Carlisle of England
President of the World's W. C. T. U.

Treasurers collect membership dues from the women and ask every Christian man you meet to give you a dollar for the W. C. T. U. At public meetings ask the people for money to push the work. Men will give largely if asked and they have reason to believe work will be accomplished. At local union meetings do not ask for penny collections. So long as the saloon keepers are raking in the shekels at the rate of one hundred million dollars a month in this country, we must have dollars and not pennies with which to arouse the people to the pitch of opening up the flood gates of public opinion. To do this we must devise definite campaigns for information and agitation in every community in Indiana. This will mean one great temperance meeting with a good speaker once a month, besides systematic literature and temperance newspaper campaigns to continue until the Legislature meets in January 1909. Now is the time to call together counselors and lay out the plans and engage the speakers. The treasurers can secure the funds whenever the great work begins. Men and women who are not now members will help both with money and influence. Treasurers should have great faith in God's promises, then work and pray for the success of His cause.

Beginning with the issue of January 30th the Union Signal will have a Mothers' Department of two pages, monthly, conducted by Dr. Mary Wood Allen and her daughter, Mrs. Rose Wood Allen Chapman, formerly editors of American Motherhood. This will be the only Mothers' De-



MRS. HARRIET W. BRAND.

Our National Treasurer can come for a few dates to Indiana unions. Mrs. Brand was for a number of years our State Corresponding Secretary, and is very familiar with our needs. It will mean much to our work for Mrs. Brand to come over and help us. She is a woman of rare attainments and ability as a speaker. Her audiences are never disappointed. Write to her immediately and secure her if possible. Her address is Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

My Dear Sisters:

The first quarter's books are closed and show a gain of 227 members over corresponding quarter last year. Several unions sent in no dues this first quarter, and so the increase is not what it should be. It should have been at least 400. I trust the president of each union in the State will look carefully over the treasurer's books and help the treasurer collect dues at once, not waiting for the second quarter, to do the work. We must keep dues collected each quarter, or it will be impossible to reach our 7,000. The work is starting off splendidly, new members being added and new work being undertaken.

I trust each union will carefully consider the list of departments in the Annual Report on pages six and seven, and appoint local superintendents for as many of them as they can possibly work, then send name of superintendent with her address to the State Superintendent of the department. Be sure that the local superintendent keeps an accurate report of all work done in her department and reports it to the county or State Superintendent.

The Mid-Year Executive Committee meeting will be held April 7th and 8th, at Lebanon, Ind., and we hope each County President will be able to report at first roll call at least three new unions in her county and a good substantial gain in membership. Also a gain in subscriptions to the Union Signal and Crusader Monthly. It is the duty of the county organization to send the County President to this meeting, paying her expenses.

O, dear hearts, it is entirely possible for us to be felt in the temperance reform in the State as never before. Ring true to total abstinence in the individual and prohibition of the traffic! Gain women to our great cause, for each woman gained is a power set in motion which will be felt by many others. Let's bring our tithe of time and money into the store house of the Lord and test Him and prove Him and see if He does not pour us out a blessing, both as to numbers and influence. God help us not to play at temperance work, but to consecrate all to it until the great rum devil is driven back to the pit from whence he came—and the boys and girls, men and women, even the church of the Lord Jesus Christ, both in home land and in foreign field have a chance to do the work God intended to be done. Write me if I can be of any assistance to you.

Lovingly and prayerfully yours,

Culla J. Vayhinger.

THE MESSAGE

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FIVE PROHIBITION BILLS BEFORE CONGRESS.

situations in our political annals—while the whole nation is throbbing with an unprecedented tide of enthusiasm and intense conviction on the Prohibition issue, Congress and the President no less, sit idly at their posts of duty, apparently nerveless and unimpressed, waiting like automations, until the people en masse shall go down upon their knees and set the legislative wheels moving as by humiliating supplication as subjects ever addressed to either tyrant or despot.

But meanwhile, the present duty of petition and appeal, whatever its distasteful character, faces every good citizen alike.

SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

In the plan of work as well as in letters sent out, I have spoken of the prize essay contest. The following are the rules for conducting and the subjects chosen for them. Keep this "Message" for use in conducting these contests. These rules are, however, obtainable in leaflet form. If you care for more, write Mrs. Edith Smith-Davis, 2913 Brown Street, Milwaukee, Wis., for "How to Conduct a Prize Essay Contest," for twenty-five cents per hundred.

How to Conduct a Prize Essay Contest.

Each local superintendent should first obtain the permission of the principal of the school to hold such a contest. Then the teacher of the grade in which the essays are to be written should be asked to outline the subject for the children and to require each child to write an essay on one of the chosen subjects. When the essays are handed in, let the teacher select the ten best essays. These should be used in a local contest and a prize awarded the best. In city schools a second contest may be held between the different schools of the city, and the best essay chosen for the competition between the different schools of the county or district. The prize county essay should be used in competition between the different counties for the State prize. The State prize essay must be sent to the National Supt. of Scientific Temperance Instruction before the 15th of August of each year and will be entered in competition for the National prize of fifty dollars for the best high school essay or of best essay from the grades.

thirty dollars (the Mary C. Upham prize) for the

- The Subjects Chosen for the Grades in 1907-1908 are:**
1. What is the Harm in a Glass of Beer?
 2. An answer to the Brewer's Advertisement, "Beer Makes Brain and Brawn."
 3. An answer to the Brewer's Advertisement, "Wheat Makes the People's Solid Food-Bread. Barley Makes the People's Liquid Food-Beer."
 4. An answer to the Brewer's Advertisement, "Beer ranks with Milk as a Blood and Strength Producer."

High School Topics.

1. The Value of Total Abstinence to a Life.
2. The relation of Alcohol to Crime.
3. The Relation of Alcohol to Poverty.
4. The Relation of Alcohol to Insanity.
5. The Relation of Total Abstinence to National Prosperity.

Rules governing contest:

(1) Essays to be graded as follows: One-half on subject matter, one-fourth on style and grammatical excellence, and one-fourth on appearance of paper, which shall include spelling and penmanship.

(2) Essays in the high schools to the amount of a maximum of fifteen hundred words and a minimum of one thousand words. In the grades a maximum of one thousand words and a minimum of five hundred words. Long quotations to be avoided, and clearness, accuracy and originality desired.

(3) Essays to be unsigned, in pupil's own handwriting, and on school paper with one-half inch margin to left.

(4) A committee of three or five should be chosen to judge on the merits of the essays.

Ethel E. Bair, State Supt.

NOTICE.

Neither Dr. Mary Wood Allen nor her daughter, Rose Allen Chapman, are longer connected with American Motherhood, as writers, but will write for the Union Signal instead. We hope that White Ribboners will be true to our own publications and subscribe for the Union Signal and Crusader Monthly.

Dear Sisters:

We are nearing another Francis Willard Memorial Day, which I hope will be observed in every union in the State with a suitable program. Let every address point beyond our human leader to that Divine Leader, "whose we are and whom we serve," for Frances Willard was great because she "was not disobedient to the heavenly vision." Send \$2 of the offering to Miss Clara Sears, Anderson, Ind., for the National Missionary Fund, for organization.

Yours,
Culla J. Vayhinger.

APROPOS.

How happy the man who is taking "The Message" It restrains him from vice, and broadens his prestige;
He meets Demon Rum, who says "come with me." But he points to "The Message"—to it will I flee.

The Message is pure—its counselings safe—
It battles for God, and a bright, useful life;
And gives a black eye to old Demon Rum,
Causing mothers to smile, by saving "The Bum."

Young man, if you're wise, and mother love hath,
Heed the voice of "The Message," and spurn
with a laugh
All approaches of vice, that leadeth away
From a home that is pure, to the unfortunate gay.

Both the young and the old are subject to fall
Without such restraints, that examples recall,
Which are cited, in truth, on every page
Of the friend of the home—the fearless Message.
Greencastle, Ind., Oct. 4, 1907.

The Commissioners in charge of the Nancy Hanks Lincoln Park in Spencer County, Ind., have notified the county authorities that not another dollar will be spent in improvements if the saloon, which is being built at the entrance to the park is granted a license.

Temperance Music—In all W. C. T. U. and temperance meetings sing temperance songs. Send to Miss R. T. Gilbert, 337 Wabash Ave., for catalogue of temperance literature and music. Get "Saloons Must Go" and have it learned by every Sunday School in your community. It can be secured with music for a few cents for a hundred pages. The White Ribbon Hymnal has some good songs to stirring music. Young Peoples' Societies will use temperance music if furnished for them.

SOCIAL MEETINGS AND RED LETTER DAYS.

Those of you who were at the State Convention at Lafayette in October last, will remember the new department created there, "Social Meetings and Red Letter Days." I was elected Superintendent of that department, and have been busy finding out my duties. As a new superintendent and a new department are two hazardous things to get together. Of course we have all observed some of the Red Letter Days each year, but as our National Superintendent says, it is not only good to observe, but also to report work done. Will not each county president appoint a superintendent for this department. All our existing laws have been enacted because people saw, or wished to see the need of them. Just so this new department has been created. I shall soon send a letter to each county president enclosing some of our National Superintendent Mrs. Mary D. Tomlinson's literature, which fully explains the work.

Our next Red Letter Day is February 1st, "Industrial School Day," and the next one is one I am sure we all observe, Feb. 17th, Francis E. Willard's heavenly birthday. We have three in February, the third being Washington's birthday. Some of the churches or schools celebrate the 22d, but we should get them to use our literature.

Wishing all of you a happy, work-full, prosperous year, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Lily W. Petree,

Supt. Social Meetings and Red Letter Days
Indiana W. C. T. U.

WORK AMONG COLORED PEOPLE.

Dear Sisters—Through our paper I wish to talk to you about my department. I am hoping that every president where there are any colored people in the town may help me in the work of organizing unions among our colored sisters. We need the women in our work and dear sisters a colored man's vote counts just as much at the ballot box as the man that fills the executive chair. Let us make a great effort the remaining part of the year for a large increase in membership. In this way I am using the State plan of work in this department. May all keep a record of what they do and write me a postal telling about it. Please write me at any time if you know where work can be done.

Mrs. Emily McIntosh,

Hoagland, Ind.

State Supt.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

The Physical Education Department of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union will, at the next National Convention, award two beautiful white satin banners to the two States whose annual reports indicate the largest, and next largest, amount of practical work along the following lines:

Report.

1. Total number of County and Local Superintendents. Gain this year.
2. Total number of special Department meetings held by Local Unions.
3. Number of County W. C. T. U. Conventions and Institutes which have included this Department on program.

4. Number of Health Culture Classes conducted under the auspices of Local Unions; also, the number of Local Unions that have devoted specified time to practical physical work, at regular meetings. Give number of such meetings.

5. Total number of County Teachers' Institutes that have, this year, included "Physical Education" as part of the regular program, whether theory, practice, or both.

6. Legislative effort to secure compulsory education in the schools under public control; or, to secure amendment to existing law.

7. Effort by County and Local Unions to secure, without State law, this training in the schools.

8. Information regarding the status of Physical Education in the Schools and Colleges of the State, including Normals.

9. Number pages Department literature sold, or distributed free.

10. Effort made to secure a thorough and required course of Physical Education in all Normal Schools of the State.

Note—In making these reports, to compete for the banners, the words "about" or "nearly" will not count. The statements must be definitely made.

The reading and discussion of articles published by this Department, in the Union Signal, may be reported in connection with No. 2.

Superintendents are requested to send report not later than September 15th.

I beg of every county or local union to appoint superintendents in the departments of Health and Heridity and Physical Culture, and send names and addresses to

Mrs. C. C. Thomas, State Supt.,
3426 S. Boots St., Marion, Ind.

TEMPERANCE LITERATURE.

Part of the year has passed, but I trust the county and local superintendents of Temperance Literature have not been idle. But have been working this, one of the most important departments of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The great work of the W. C. T. U. is to arouse and enlighten public sentiment. Abraham Lincoln well said, "With public sentiment nothing can fail; without it nothing can succeed." Ours is a wide and fertile field! May we carefully and thoroughly cultivate it, in order to bring forth a fruitful crop.

If properly worked it can and will aid every department of our work. Its possibilities are almost unlimited. Unworked, of course, like any other barren field, it is useless. Dear sisters, let us be prompt this year, and bring the work in and to the front. A prize is offered by the National Superintendent of Literature to the State sending in the best report. Will you not help to bring it to our own dear State?

Let me remind you that the State Superintendent alone cannot accomplish this. She needs and has a right to expect the assistance of every county and local superintendent within our State. In the onward march of our organization toward the victory for which we strive, let us remember He who leads us is stronger than any human agency, and that to Him we must look for strength and guidance. Relying then upon this help and the earnest co-operation of every local white-ribboner, it is our prayerful hope, earnest desire and steadfast determination to make this the best year this department has ever known.

According to the plan of our State, we shall strive for 1,500 subscriptions to the Union Signal and 1,000 Crusader Monthlies in the hands of the teachers of our State. Send a stamp to Miss Ruby I. Gilbert, 131-137 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill., for catalog of temperance publications and leaflets. I shall be glad to correspond with you with reference to any of the plans of our work. Let us redouble our diligence. Aim to do definite work, and do it in a manner that will count.

Yours in loving service,

Mrs. Nettie D. Ware,

R. F. D. No. 21. Fairmount, Ind.

FRANCHISE.

Dear Sisters:

We have sent out the Plans of Work to every union in the State named in the State Minutes. There are twenty-one County Superintendents of this department named. There are seventy-six counties named. We are very anxious that each union study the Plan of Work, and then do something to help this department.

We are working for the destruction of the legalized liquor traffic. Dear sisters, nothing counts as effectually as ballots. We will continue the work for Municipal Suffrage. Before long you will receive petitions, which we hope will be presented to and urged to be signed by every citizen of your respective territories. The world was lost by woman by woman it shall be redeemed.

Now sisters, altogether lift, push until we are out of the rut of prejudice and have regained the place God meant for us when "He created man in His own image, male and female created He them, and gave them dominion."

Lida Outland,

Upland, Ind.

State Supt. Franchise.

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financial question. But above all that, it is a great political question to be settled at the ballot box.

Everywhere the W. C. T. U. has steadfastly urged that to license the sale of liquor was wrong. No license! No compromise with evil! has been the slogan. Now after these years of effort and prayer, Indiana as many other States, is feeling the result of the great work done in definite education by the W. C. T. U.

Public conscience is awakened in many places. There is an expressed determination to rid the community of the saloon. The liquor men are alarmed and through their most ingenious plans and strongest agents they are advocating "High License," fearing prohibition will carry. The liquor men announce through their paid agents (some of our great daily newspapers), that High License is a temperance measure, and so much is done to prove what a blessing it would be to Indiana that really good, earnest people are led to believe in it. "High License as a temperance measure" emanates from the same source that has come that other notorious falsehood, "Prohibition Don't Prohibit." Whenever temperance people advocate High License or "Local Option" with high or low license, standing on the solid foundation of right. If it is wrong for saloons to conduct their human grist mills it is certainly wrong to permit them to do so for a price—set that price in many or few dollars. In order to secure a no license law (prohibition) for Indiana every local union and every individual member must be depended upon to work and pray to that end. Work—yes it requires work to show our good people the tricks of the liquor men and to make them have full confidence in the power of their own ballots. Pray for discretion, wisdom and ability to help in this mighty battle for the home.

NOTICE.

Each County President that can make arrangements for a worker in County Teachers' Institute, to speak along lines of Scientific Temperance Instruction, please notify me at once. Ask your County Superintendent to pay \$5 for the services and let the county W. C. T. U. pay traveling expenses of the worker.

Culla J. Vayhinger.

OFFICIAL.

Miss Ella Broomell of Philadelphia, a National L. T. L. Organizer and lecturer, will come into Indiana for work in March. She will work for both W's and L. T. L's wherever she goes. She is an elocutionist and a good speaker and will give us effective service. Her terms are very reasonable. Those wishing her services should write at once to your State Corresponding Secretary, that her route may be made out to the best advantage.

FROM THE EDITOR.

During my four weeks' stay at Eastman's Sanitarium, after a severe surgical operation, my precious mother was suddenly called to heaven from my home. Through my serious illness and great bereavement God wonderfully sustained me. The loving messages, the helpful letters of sympathy and the flowers received from the unions and from membership over the State cheered and encouraged me and my family. It is with deepest appreciation and gratitude that these are remembered. O, that I could have the privilege of personally telling each one of you something of my gratitude for what you have done to help me. With love and loyalty,

Luella F. McWhirter.

TREASURER'S REPORT, 1907.

Allen County.	Carroll County.
Monroeville (Bos- ton Union) . . . \$ 7.15	Deer Creek . . . 5.20
Ft. Wayne, Fran- cis Willard . . . 25.35	Clay County.
Hoagland . . . 2.60	Brazil . . . 11.70
35.10	Clinton County.
Bartholomew County.	Kirkland . . . 3.90
Columbus . . . 3.25	Mulberry . . . 9.10
Hartsville . . . 3.90	Jefferson65
Columbus Ori- noco 1.63	Rossville . . . 2.60
24.05	Frankfort . . . 7.15
Dearborn County.	Colfax65
Aurora 1.95	24.05
Bright 6.50	DeKalb County.
Guilford65	Auburn 5.85
Lawrenceburg . . 1.30	Garrett 1.30
Moore's Hill . . .65	7.15
11.05	Delaware County.
Benton County.	Eaton 3.90
Boswell 9.75	Normal City . . . 3.25
Oxford 5.85	Albany 5.20
Otterbein 7.15	Muncie 1.95
22.75	14.30
Blackford County.	
Hartford City . . 6.50	
Montpellier . . . 5.85	
Millgrove 9.10	
21.45	
Boone County.	
Lebanon 15.60	
Zionsville 13.00	
28.60	

Dubois County.	Perkinsville . . . 1.30
Ireland 1.95	16.25
Elkhart County.	Marion County.
Elkhart 11.70	Indpls, Meridian. 7.15
Goshen 5.20	Indpls, Central . . 8.45
16.90	Indpls, Palmer . . 1.30
Fayette County.	Indpls, Vayhinger .65
Connersville W . 12.35	Indpls, Mapleton. 1.30
Franklin County.	Idpls, Francis . . .
Bath, Willard Me morial 7.80	Willard 8.45
Gibson County.	Broadripple . . . 1.95
Princeton 5.85	Castleton65
Grant County.	29.90
South Marion . . . 8.45	Marshall County.
Upland 4.55	Bourbon 3.25
Fairmount 11.05	Bremantown . . . 3.90
Gas City 5.20	Culver 2.60
Back Creek . . . 5.20	Argos 5.20
Deer Creek . . . 6.10	Plymouth 2.60
Swayzee 6.50	17.55
Maple Run 2.60	Martin County.
Sweetser 3.25	Loogootee65
Van Buren 4.55	Miami County.
Oak Chapel . . . 4.55	Amboy 4.55
Shugart 1.30	Peru 5.20
Maple Street . . . 3.25	9.75
Little Ridge . . .65	Monroe County.
Fowlerston . . . 4.55	Bloomington . . . 12.35
Jonesboro 4.30	Stinesville 2.60
Grant 11.70	14.95
Marion Central . . 5.20	Morgan County.
Linwood65	Brooklyn 1.95
Hill 1.95	Martinsville . . . 1.95
St. Mary 3.25	Morgantown . . . 5.20
96.20	Mooreville . . . 2.60
Hancock County.	11.70
Western Grove . . 3.90	Noble County.
Hamilton County.	Kendallville . . . 16.90
Carmel65	Ohio County.
Eagletown 6.15	Rising Sun . . . 5.20
Fisher's Switch . . 5.20	Owen County.
Hortonville . . . 1.30	Gosport 3.25
Lamong 1.95	Parke County.
Pleasant View . . 6.50	Marshall 1.30
Sheridan 4.55	Coloma 4.55
Westfield 5.20	5.85
31.50	Porter County.
Hendricks County.	Valparaiso . . . 1.95
Plainfield 7.15	Hebron 2.93
Danville 4.55	4.88
11.70	Pulaski County.
Henry County.	Winamac 2.60
New Castle 5.85	Star City 1.30
Howard County.	3.90
Kokomo 9.75	Rush County.
New London . . . 3.25	Arlington 4.06
West Middleton . . 2.60	Steuben County.
South Kokomo . . 4.55	Hamilton 3.90
Greentown 9.10	Pleasant Lake . . 3.90
Sycamore 1.95	Angola 2.60
Russville 5.85	10.40
37.05	St. Joseph County.
Huntington County.	South Bend, Cha- pin Park 9.10
Huntington 9.10	South Bend, Col- fax Ave 1.30
Warren 7.80	South Bend, Fran- cis Willard . . . 1.30
Markle 3.90	11.70
Roanoke 4.55	Tippecanoe County.
Zion 1.30	Lafayette Central 3.25
26.65	Lafayette, Fran- cis Willard . . . 3.25
Jackson County.	Lafayette 7.15
Seymour 6.50	Monon 1.95
Jefferson County.	15.60
Deputy 3.25	Union County.
Madison 9.10	Liberty 2.60
Dupont 9.10	Vandeburg County.
21.45	Howell 2.60
Jennings County.	Evansville Cen- tral 1.95
North Vernon . . . 1.95	Evansville, Fran- cis Willard . . . 4.55
Johnson County.	Evansville, West Side 3.25
Greenwood 3.90	12.35
Knox County.	Vermillion County.
Vincennes 5.85	Dana 4.55
Kosciusko County.	Cayuga 8.45
Syracuse 2.60	13.00
LaPorte County.	
La Porte 2.60	
Lawrence County.	
Bedford 11.70	
Madison County.	
Anderson W 4.55	
Anderson Y 1.30	
Alexandria65	
Elwood 3.90	
Summitville . . . 3.25	
Lapel 1.30	

Vigo County.	F. Thomas . . . 5.20
Terre Haute . . . 1.95	Fountain City . . .65
Wabash County.	11.70
South Wabash . . 2.60	Whitley County.
Warrick County.	Churubusco . . . 4.55
Newburg 1.30	Wells County.
Washington County.	Bluffton 4.55
Salem 1.95	Keystone 1.95
Campbellsburg . . 3.25	Six Mile65
5.20	Elhanan 2.60
Wayne County.	Ossian 6.50
Economy 2.60	Nottingham65
Richmond, Fran- cis Willard . . . 3.25	Reifsborg 1.30
Richmond, Mary	Liberty Center . . 3.25
	21.45

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand from last year's report.	\$1,999.74
Total amount received this quarter for all purposes	1,899.19
Total receipts	\$3,898.93
Disbursements	\$3,019.57

Balance on hand \$ 879.36

Note—We have an increase of membership over this quarter of last year of 227. We also wish to call your attention to the L. T. L. Secretary's report in the minutes where she gives \$51.84 and the State Treasurer giving \$70.85, is not intended to be misleading, but the extra amount was dues which were carried over on the check book. 7,000 members for 1908, and let everybody help. Lovingly, Clara M. Sears.

FIELD NEWS

Miss Gertrude Jones, superintendent of the Nurses Training School at Eastman's Sanitarium, Indianapolis, and three other young women there are members of Indianapolis Central W. C. T. U. It is indeed a beautiful service for our cause that can be rendered by the Christian nurse.

The Madison W. C. T. U. has been doing some very practical temperance work. Not long ago God sent a drunkard to the home of the president of this union. He was taken in and cared for, although he was on the verge of delirium tremors. He is much stronger now, has returned to God, and is trying hard to fight the demon drink. Pray for him White Ribboners. Mrs. G. E. Denny.

The Union Signal says: "Temperance posters were put up by Lakeland, Florida, W. C. T. U. and after being repeatedly destroyed some citizens decided to have a sign made of galvanized iron proclaiming "Saloons Must Go."

Another case involving the constitutionality of liquor licenses is now before the Indiana Supreme Court. A brief has just been filed before that tribunal by Hon. Charles F. Holler, attorney for Thomas C. Barnes et al., against Michael Wagoner, a local liquor seller. Mr. Holler has for his assistants Timothy E. Howard, of South Bend, a former judge of the Supreme Court; A. B. Kirkpatrick, of Kokomo, and Sumner Haynes, of Portland.

Send "The National Prohibitionist" as a weekly visitor to your minister, a teacher or a friend, whom you know has a desire for information concerning the great temperance movement in this country. Price \$1.00 per year. Send to The National Prohibitionist, 87 Washington Street, Chicago. It is only according to our information upon a subject that we are interested. Temperance newspapers are indispensable in every home where there is intelligence.

The Patriot Phalanx is the long established Prohibition paper for Indiana. It must be more widely read in every county in order to stimulate the good men to vote for Prohibition for Indiana. Send it as a weekly visitor for a year to two families who would be interested if they had information. Indiana must be free from the saloon. It will be free when the men decide to vote it out. The men voted it in when they passed our "License Law." Help to give the arguments to them, that come from common sense and reason in order to off set the arguments they get through the newspapers and the public speech of politicians. Both sources come from the secret councils of the liquor men's organization. They send out the word and it is taken up and repeated until good men hear it so often, see it in the papers, that they think it is true. Recently many things are being uncovered.

The facts regarding the liquor men offering about \$100 a month to the county newspaper men of Missouri if they would use such "editorials" as they furnished to them were not given out by the county newspapers or great dailies. It remains for the Prohibition Press to publish such facts. Not until more voters are readers of temperance newspapers will Indiana be carried for Prohibition. For our Indiana Prohibition weekly newspaper, The Patriot Phalanx, send \$1.00 each

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All moneys for whatever purpose, including the Hadley Industrial School, must be sent to Miss Clara M. Sears, the Treasurer, whose address is given above.

All material intended for publication must be in the hands of the editor before the 15th of the month.

FOR INDIANA W. C. T. U.

7000 Members for 1908.
1500 Subscriptions to Union Signal.
1000 School Teachers taking Crusade Monthly

Miss Clara Sears, State Treasurer, would greatly help your union if you would invite her to come to you. Send for her.

Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, State President, can give some time to field work this spring. Now is the time to secure her promise for dates.

Miss Mary Woodard, State Corresponding Secretary will arrange to give some time to the field. Write her at once and arrange with her for a week's work or less.

Wayne County boasts a new union organized on New Year's day by the county president, Mrs. Hartley. The name of the union is "Center," and the president is Mrs. Laura Clements.

Local Union Presidents please consider that when your union has scored a victory or accomplished some important work that the knowledge of your achievement will be helpful to other unions. In order to thus help be sure and have a "write up" sent immediately to the editor of The Message.

Hon. Charles E. Newlin, of Indianapolis, is being kept a-field delivering his lecture "The Unconstitutionality of Legalizing Wrong." Indiana needs this strong champion of No-License in many towns in every county. Mr. Newlin is a splendid speaker, whose strong arguments carry conviction. He is one of the best speakers in Indiana.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, our State Lecturer, has few equals in the whole United States as a public worker for our cause. Why is she not all of the time in the field. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley would greatly help our cause. Mr. Stanley is a very prosperous business man he would no doubt go occasionally with Mrs. Stanley as he did over in Wells County.

Last summer after the death of Mrs. Annie W. Clark, Ohio's State President, her union in Colum-

bus paid tribute to her memory by increasing the membership from about three hundred to one thousand regular paid members. Thus that one Columbus union sent two delegates to the National Convention.

Those who heard the wonderful speech of Hon. C. W. Trickett at the No-License Conference in December, will be glad to know that it has been printed in neat pamphlet form by the Patriot Phalanx, and may be had at the very low price of one cent each in quantities of ten or more. This speech should be read by every voter in the State. Let each union send for a number for distribution. Address Patriot Phalanx, 117 W. Maryland St., Indianapolis.

You will rejoice to know that Miss Sears sent dues to our National Treasurer for 225 more members than in the corresponding quarter of last year. This is very encouraging, but we must do better still this quarter if we bring our membership up to 7,000 by the end of the year. Let us sing "Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow," and push on.

Your white ribbon comrade,
Mary E. Woodard.

For Institutes arouse interest. Have you some young persons on your program? This victory will not come until the younger people take hold. Miss Marie Leck, of 1611 N. Alabama Street, Indianapolis, is Marion County's Loyal Temperance Legion Secretary. Miss Leck is a young woman of very attractive personality and is an interesting speaker. In a County Convention or Institute Miss Leck would be of valuable assistance. Miss Leck can serve a limited number of unions and counties. Write her for information.

A literature campaign can be carried on by many individuals and by unions. This must be done and subscriptions to our temperance newspapers must be taken if we succeed in staying the great tide against High License. Right now is the time to begin. Men and women are taking subscriptions to temperance papers who never did so before. They realize that the dissemination of temperance facts must be made. Leaflets against High License are published and should be distributed by the tens of thousands. This can be done very effectively without much expenditure of money and effort.

The Prohibition Wave is rolling on to Washington. A bill has been introduced in Congress by Representative Chandler of Mississippi providing for the prohibition of the liquor business in the District of Columbia. If the bill should become a law, it would prevent the operation of breweries and distilleries, as well as the retail sale of liquor. The bill provides for punishment, in event of violation of the law, fines ranging from \$100 to \$500, with or without imprisonment of from thirty days to six months. The bill has been referred to the House Committee of the Alcoholic Liquor Traffic. The liquor men are greatly agitated over the proposed plan of the Prohibitionists to make Washington City dry. Help it on!

If Indiana is to secure Prohibition from the next Legislature there is not an hour to lose. We can have Prohibition if every person who reads these lines does some definite work. What? How? Urge the county to hold a two days' Institute. Get people interested. Send for speakers. Insist on your union having a great mass meeting February 17th, or near that date, say March 20th. Give a dollar to the local W. C. T. U. every month from now until January, 1909. Urge others to give. Send for fifty cents worth of leaflets and distribute them yourself or get little boys to do it for you. By the persistent efforts of 7,000 women in the Indiana W. C. T. U. this State can have State wide Prohibition in 1909, when the next Legislature meets.

President Roosevelt in a 30,000 word message discussed forty-five different topics. He elaborated his views on almost every topic of political, social and industrial life. In about one dozen words he refers to liquor selling to the native of Alaska as being a felony. Such an absolute silence on the issue that is stirring the people of all sections of this country in an unprecedented manner is really very remarkable. The President's amazing indifference toward the prohibition reform has caused much quiet comment and put many people thinking. President Roosevelt's silence concerning the liquor traffic is not accidental—there is a cause.

The President is after other law violaters in all walks of life. He can not be ignorant of the liquor dealers defiance of law. He certainly is aware of the great desire of the people living in prohibition territory to have the Government to cease issuing Government liquor licenses for that territory. The people are now demanding the passage by Congress of the Littlefield-Dolliver bill, which will prohibit liquor being shipped by agents into prohibition territory. When this bill is passed President Roosevelt may decide to take notice.

A County or Local Union with 500 paid members by September 15th, can have the privilege of electing a delegate to the National W. C. T. U. convention. Last fall Ohio had thirteen counties that each had sufficient members to send its own delegate. Last summer after the death of Mrs. Annie Clark, Ohio's State President, her union in Columbus with about three hundred members paid tribute to her memory by bringing up the membership before November first to one thousand regular paid members.

The State Inter-Collegiate Prohibition Oratorical contest will be held February 17th, at Valparaiso College. The prize of twenty-five dollars in gold will be given by Hon. Charles Eckhart, of Auburn. Seven colleges will be represented. Earlham won last year. Attend this contest at Valparaiso. Rally to the support of these Prohibition young men, who will deliver original orations. These young college prohibition speakers are greatly helping to arouse public sentiment. Some of them will before ten years be members of State Legislatures. Too much stress can not be laid upon the College Prohibition work. The Prohibition Leagues in all of the colleges are limited in their efforts and work for lack of money. The average man does not stop to consider that every year a multitude of young people go out from Indiana college halls who know almost nothing about the Prohibition movement. For with a very few exceptions Indiana colleges do not lend any influence toward Prohibition. These same young people are rapidly taking responsible and influential positions in all walks of life.

Through the news dispatches to the daily papers we read of scores of victories for the W. C. T. U. in Indiana. In many instances the great tide of public sentiment has been used by the local unions against the issuance of license to saloon men and other even greater victories. In all this we are rejoicing and would be so happy to receive an account of the work and victory written for The Message. Stop and consider what it would mean to cause one earnest, energetic Christian mother to become aroused to action against the liquor business. Her influence would be aggressively used in the home, the neighborhood and in her church for prohibition. Then think what it would mean to have a whole union aroused to action. We can not estimate the far reaching results. Our blessed White Ribboners are the very busiest women in all Indiana. They are doing great things in many portions of the State. We will be so thankful for concise accounts of the work done and results accomplished to publish in The Message. These reports would give inspiration and courage to many of our friends in the nearly 7,000 homes into which this little paper goes once a month.

Frances E. Willard's heavenly birthday Feb. 17th is observed by special services all over the world wherever floats the white ribbon. Every union in Indiana should hold a special meeting at or near this time. In the W. C. T. U. homes everywhere, special mention should be made to the family at the evening meal concerning the life and work of Miss Willard. (Quotations from her writings on slips at each plate and a picture on the table would lend interest.) The only monument by the W. C. T. U. to the memory of this best beloved woman of the world is being wrought out in human lives. In order that the cause for which she labored may indeed bring results worthy of her life and memory each local union in this country is asked to contribute at least two dollars to a Memorial Organization Fund. Individual contributions are also needed. The great National W. C. T. U. has a per capita membership income of only ten cents; one cent of which goes to the World's W. C. T. U. Therefore the advancement of the work in new or missionary territory depends largely upon this Memorial Organization Fund. Send the money to Miss Clara Sears, State Treasurer, Anderson, Ind.

The W. C. T. U. is the great university of reform. With a membership in this country of more than 2,000,000 mothers and sisters representing 150,000 homes. Over 10,000 local organizations holding regular meetings as often as twice a month, besides the special meetings planned by the unions or held by department workers. In Indiana alone consider the educational force of the local union meetings, not less than 11,000 have been held during the last year. With persistent energetic effort these Indiana unions have been keeping up the work for more than thirty years. Holding meetings in the homes, churches, school houses, the jails, at the summer assemblies, picnics, work shops, hospitals and almshouses. Besides these meetings, thousands of visits have been made to the homes of the people carrying consolation and the Gospel of Christ to the suffering and sick. In one year alone over 1,000,000 pages of literature was distributed. There has been a constant agitation and education concerning the awful results of drink and the enormous proportions of the liquor traffic as a great religious, moral, social, industrial and

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for subscriptions to Mr. Wm. F. Clark, 117 W. Maryland Street, Indianapolis.

The Message extends its congratulations to the "National Prohibitionist," the new National Prohibition Party paper which succeeds the "Defender" and "Home Defender" and has secured the old "Voice" subscription list. The new paper will be under the editorial management of Wm. P. F. Ferguson, one of the best known and ablest Prohibition editors of America. Edward E. Blake will have charge of the circulation, which is a guarantee that it will constantly increase. The "National Prohibitionist" comes into being at a time when the tidal wave of prohibition is sweeping over the country and the great reform demands just such an able National paper as we believe these gentlemen propose to make. It is surely a propitious time for the launching of such a great enterprise and we feel confident that the Prohibitionists and Reformers of the country will give it their most hearty co-operation and support.

Stinesville W. C. T. U. held a very important business meeting January 8th, at the home of Mrs. Lillian Litten. The treasurer's report was given, showing the union in a flourishing condition. It was decided to place the Crusader Monthly in the hands of the teachers of Bean Blossom township. Master Paul Hoadley recited the "Prohibition States," closing with the hope that Indiana would soon join them. The ladies' Xmas bazaar proved a success in every way.

Marion County holds a monthly executive meeting. There are only about fifty Union Signal subscriptions in the eleven unions in the county and nearly one-half of these are in the Indianapolis Meridian Union. In order to increase the subscriptions it was decided to appoint as a special solicitor Miss Bessie Eckman, who is hoping to receive the renewals from all present subscribers and to secure a sufficient number of new subscribers among the membership of the Marion County unions to put each union on the Union Signal honor roll. That means one subscriber out of every four paid members. Miss Eckman is spending much time and effort endeavoring to communicate with every W. C. T. U. member, not only in Indianapolis, but in all of Marion County. According to our information on any subject are we interested in that subject. The increased number of readers of the Union Signal in any union will help our cause. Miss Eckman has been a student at Taylor University for four years, and is now studying the W. C. T. U. work, expecting to devote her life to God's cause as a W. C. T. U. missionary. To enable her to attend the National W. C. T. U. convention at Denver, Col., Oct. 16-21, she is working for the \$25.00 prize offered by the Union Signal for 250 new and renewal subscriptions by October 1st. While she works persistently for Marion County subscribers she will be thankful for any subscriptions received. Address Miss Bessie Eckman, 2312 College Avenue, Indianapolis. New phone 6430.

Decatur County—The W. C. T. U. held a meeting in honor of Mrs. Mary B. Willard, at the home of Mrs. Anna Chandler, Thursday, January 2d. The meeting was opened by Mrs. J. C. Smith reading the ninety-first Psalm, after which some of the members led in prayer. Mrs. J. C. Smith gave a reading on the life of Madame Willard, entitled, "When Mrs. Willard was Nearing her Heavenly Home." In this reading was taught the beautiful lesson of what a blessing it is to have a glorious Christian heart, as did Mrs. Willard, for in the day of her departure from this earth she went forth rejoicingly and triumphantly. Mrs. Leroy C. Smith gave a talk entitled, "An Appeal to Mothers," in which she brought in Mrs. Willard's life as a model for mothers.

Mrs. J. H. Parker gave some extracts from Mrs. L. M. Steven's address, entitled, "Maine Under Prohibition is Better than Indiana under License," which was very interesting. Mrs. Jennie read a letter from the State President, Mrs. Vayhinger, who stated that the work was opening beautifully, and said "Let down the net for a draft for 1908," and closed by saying that we must pray and work for great things this year.

Mrs. Ella Smith.

Seymour—Quarterly Mothers' Meeting at the home of Mrs. Hadley. A delightful feature of the afternoon was the piano playing by Helen Hadley, only eight years old, who furnished two numbers on the program.

Dubois County—To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of Dubois County, Indiana.—We the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Dubois County in call session assembled hereby express our appreciation of the Christian sentiment expressed by Rev. Father Biegel, of Elwood, Ind., who in a recent sermon said: "No saloon keeper in my parish is permitted to receive the blessed sacrament, and if they continue to transgress the law and bring disgrace upon the church they will be excommunicated and forbidden to enter the sanctuary." We recommend that noble sentiment, not only to the Catholic Priests of Dubois County, but to the Protestant ministers of the county, and ask each and every one of them to take the same stand for temperance and wage the same war against the saloons that Rev. Father Biegel is waging at Elwood, and having read of the fearless stand taken by the commis-

sioners of Morgan County in making applicants for a saloon license prove the allegation in their application, to-wit: That they are men of good moral character. And how by their actions saloons have been put out of business here. We deplore the fact that the Commissioners of this county have for years past, in the very face of the law, been issuing license to men they knew to be habitual drunkards, therefore be it resolved that we the W. C. T. U. of this county requests and demands that the Board of County Commissioners from this time on, require strict proof of the allegation that the applicants are of good moral character, and they rebut the fact when they know the applicants are not fit persons to be entrusted with the sale of intoxicants as is now provided by law, and that in the future they refuse all persons a license who are in the habit of becoming intoxicated and who are otherwise unfit under the law to conduct the saloon business. Be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the county papers and a copy to the President of the Board of County Commissioners. Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Kate Lee, Vice-President.

Mrs. Flora Root, Secretary.

The above was published in a county newspaper.

Tippecanoe County feels that the holding of the State Convention in Lafayette was a real blessing to all W. C. T. U. workers here. It showed the people that the W. C. T. U. is "doing things;" awakened the members to renewed activity and brought into the various unions of the city not a few new members. On Dec. 3, 1907, the county held a "Jubilee Meeting" and had a reception for new members in the new Y. M. C. A. building. There was a program of music and recitations, which was heartily appreciated by the large number present. Refreshments were served, after which the company was invited to witness a game of basket ball played by the members of the Y. M. C. A. On the 17th of January Tippecanoe County held an all day meeting at the home of Mrs. C. C. Robinson, on Perrin Avenue. This meeting was for all officers and superintendents of the various unions as well as for the county officers and superintendents. To help each one to learn the duties of such offices and superintendencies. Mrs. May Williams of the Lafayette union was sent to the National W. C. T. U. convention as the State delegate at large. Tippecanoe county paid her traveling expenses. Mrs. W. H. Strang of the Lafayette Monon Union went as a fraternal delegate to the National Purity Convention at Battle Creek, Mich.

Mrs. A. L. Greene, Co. Press Supt.

The LaPorte W. C. T. U. hold their meetings in the evenings, instead of afternoons. This gives the laboring class an opportunity of attending. The members are more faithful and the husbands and honorary members are also present. Several new members have been added since our grand and inspiring State convention. As our dear corresponding secretary has said, let us all keep this inspiration and much good will be accomplished. January 12th was temperance day in all the city churches, but a terrific blizzard raged all day, drifting the snow high and filling everything full, so the attendance was not as large nor the enthusiasm as great as was expected, but it is hoped that much good will come out of the effort. This union will observe the 14th of February, to the memory of Francis E. Willard.

Mrs. Seth Pease.

Mulberry—The Kansas Cyclone, Mrs. Sibbitts, has come and gone. She gave us two lectures and one Mothers' and Young Ladies' meetings. We have four new members; one was a blind girl. Mrs. Sibbitts said at the close if any one wanted to become members they should hold up their hand, so she held up her hand, but wondered where the money would come from, but thought if the Lord wanted her in this work he would help her get it in some way. So after the meeting closed there was a white ribbon sister who sat behind her, said Rose I will pay your dues, so in the evening she handed it to me. Our town never had such a stirring up. She is a wonderful woman I hope she may live many years to work for humanity and prohibition. I wish she could be kept in our State for some time.

Harriet F. Steckel.

Seymour—Sabbath evening, January 5th the temperance program, "The Saving of Daddy," was greatly enjoyed by the large audience in the German M. E. Church. Mrs. M. J. Carpenter read the story. The choir of the church furnished the music, every number deserving special mention. Elizabeth Hoffman's song, "If I were a voice," "The Battle Song," "Will They Return as They Go," and many others were given in a manner to delight all who heard. All united in singing coronation and were dismissed by prayer by the Rev. Knauff, pastor of the church. The meeting was under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. The offering was \$3.00.

Montpelier—The W. C. T. U. is in a flourishing condition, having forty-eight paid members. We have from fifteen to twenty-five average attendance. At present we are having a contest dividing our union equally. One side wears red and white ribbon, with Mrs. Alice McGrew as the

president; the other side wears blue and white, with Mrs. Alice Miller as the president. The contest will last six weeks and the side that gets the most new members will furnish an entertainment and the side that gets defeated has to furnish a banquet for the union. We hope to add several new members to our union, as well as a revival with our old members.

We had a Mothers' Meeting January 10th out in the suburbs of our city. It was well attended and I think did much good. Mrs. Geo. David's is the superintendent of the mothers' department.

Mrs. Clem Philebaum, Press Reporter.

Mrs. Sabrina Black, contest superintendent for Keystone Union, has held in the last month three Matron's Silver Medal Contests and one L. T. L. Contest. Six matrons in the year, all have been very successful. Collections more than covered expenses. Mrs. Black will in the near future hold the first matrons Gold Medal Contest.

Mrs. Elva England, Supt. Press Work.

Howard County—Tuesday evening, December 17th, at the Friends' Church, the two Kokomo W. C. T. U.'s gave a reception to the teachers and physicians of the city. Mrs. Ida Mix presided over the meeting in her usual womanly and dignified manner. Mrs. Ida Wygant led in fervent prayer. The songs by the choir were quite appropriate and added to the interest of the meeting. The church was beautifully decorated with Christmas bells and a large bouquet of fine chrysanthemums graced the table in front of the pulpit. Mrs. Mattie Cammack Gibson of Jonesboro, so long connected with Scientific Temperance Instruction in the public schools, made a very pleasing and instructive address. The refreshments furnished at the close of the meeting were excellent and in keeping with the rest of the entertainment. After a social time the guests departed feeling that they had been royally entertained. Mrs. Gibson also spoke at the Harrison Street Church in the afternoon to a large audience of mothers. Three new names were secured at this meeting. Let us keep up the good work till all the mothers in this fair land of ours wear the white ribbon.

H. M. Arnold.

Allen County's President met with the Hoagland W. C. T. U. December 13th, and had a very interesting meeting; gained one new member. The union is doing nicely. Dec. 17th visited the Boston union; meeting was held at the home of Rev. West, the pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Monroeville. The meeting was in charge of our very efficient superintendent of mothers' work, Mrs. Fannie Edwards, who had a well prepared program, which was well rendered, consisting of songs, papers, and discussions, taken part in by many present. There was a very good attendance.

December 18th I visited the Francis E. Willard Union of Ft. Wayne. Mrs. Dr. Steman being the hostess. The ladies of this union are very much encouraged. They have gained thirty new members the first quarter and are planning for greater work this year than Ft. Wayne has ever known. Their annual program is out and is full of very helpful subjects.

The managers of the mission meetings that are being held in a former saloon building have asked the W. C. T. U. ladies to take charge of one meeting a week. Great good is being done in these missions, there being three in Ft. Wayne. At the close of the meeting the hostess served a very elaborate lunch, which was enjoyed by all. January 11, 1908, I will meet with what was formerly Crescent Union, to decide what they will do about starting their work again with a prayer that this great work will go on to greater victories.

Mrs. Emily McIntosh,

Hoagland, Ind.

The Spencer W. C. T. U. held a "call meeting" for the election of officers at the home of Mrs. James A. Layman, January 9th. President, Mrs. R. McClaren, who has already served three years as president and has done excellent work for our union. Mrs. Dr. Gray, treasurer; Mrs. Ralph Beem, secretary; Mrs. M. C. Baumgartner, corresponding secretary. There was a short program, consisting of song, prayer, and scripture reading. A recitation was given by Mrs. McClaren; a paper by Mrs. Reid Hight. Nice refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Reid Hight and Mrs. Dr. Seay.

Mrs. Baumgartner.

South Bend, Colfax Avenue, held a special Loyal Temperance Legion meeting in December. The collection was given to the L. T. L. leader and Flower Mission superintendent for a Christmas treat for Linden Avenue Legion. The Christmas meeting of the Legion was largely attended and greatly enjoyed. Rev. H. B. Hostetter, of Westminster Presbyterian Church, gave a very interesting talk. Every member of the L. T. L. was given a generous treat of candy, popcorn and peanuts, and one little girl said that what Mrs. Nash gave her was all she had for Christmas. The Legion and Colfax union are again helping toward the coal bill of the chapel where the Legion meets.

Mrs. Held,

President Colfax Union.

Madison Loyal Temperance Legion is supporting a room and with the help of the W. C. T. U.

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has bought a piano. The room is a cozy place where we hold our meetings once a week. We hope to do much good for our city through this room, which is always supplied with good books and temperance literature by the Francis Willard L. T. L. of Madison. Mrs. Denny.

Seymour—For the third time, October 23, 1907, Mrs. R. R. Shert entertained the W. C. T. U. of Seymour, at her beautiful home north-east of the city. Members and visitors went via inter-urban. A royal welcome, a feast of all the good things obtainable and a delightful visit filled the social hours. A very complete report of the State convention was presented by Mrs. Pfaffenberger. Echoes of the same with notes of Purdue University, were given by Mrs. Shert, who brought the great meeting of Indiana's W. C. T. U. home to all.

Rev. Allen favored the union with an encouraging address, and a brief resume of the past year's work was given. One honorary member added to the roll. Mrs. Chas. Clark, from Tulsa, Indian Territory, was the guest of honor. Mrs. Elliott, of Jeffersonville, and Mrs. Frank Woodmansee of Indianapolis, were the other out of town guests. There was a large attendance. This was one of the most delightful meetings of the year.

Elkhart Central Union—Is she sleeping? Oh no, she is very much awake. She has been courting, courting and courting, courting again, then courting some more. The first quarter of the W. C. T. U.'s year is marked by very interesting, profitable, spiritual and largely attended meetings where enthusiasm is ever at high tension. The president, Mrs. Iva Wood Parker, assisted the Civic League in securing signatures to the blanket remonstrance in the third ward, and was subpoenaed as a witness in the Gerster trial, which was an attack on the remonstrance. The battle raged for five days in the Goshen court, when the remonstrants won out. Mrs. Parker was again subpoenaed as a witness in the Dotson trial, a second attack on the remonstrance, and again a victory came to the temperance forces. A number of the W. C. T. U. ladies attended these trials every day. The ladies spent two days in the Elkhart Superior Court, when two saloon keepers were put out of business charged with law violations.

Saloonkeeper Smith took his case to South Bend and for three days the ladies went along to be company for him. Smith won the case, but as he is in the third ward, will be compelled to close his saloon July 1st. The remonstrance has put four saloons out of business and seven other applicants have been refused licenses. Elkhart rejoices and is singing praises to the great good Father.

The names of fifteen hundred women have been secured to the following pledge: "Since the Liquor Dealers' Protective Association has threatened to divert business from business men who sign liquor remonstrances, we the undersigned hereby pledge our support and patronage as far as possible, to business men who sign such remonstrances."

The W. C. T. U. furnishes "Rest Cottage" a home for unfortunate women, with baked goods each Saturday.

INSTITUTE PROGRAM.

First Day—Morning.

Business Conference.

10:00—Devotional—A brief review of the work since last report.

10:30—Work to be accomplished before the Annual Conventions. How? Discussion.

11:00—Definite results to be reached at this Institute.

a In subscriptions to the Union Signal.

b In subscriptions to the Crusader Monthly.

c In additions to membership, etc.

Afternoon.

2:00—Music—Opening devotional services conducted by a County Officer.

2:15—Welcome by the local President.

2:25—Response and Organization by Institute Leader. Appointment of Secretary, Reporters, Committees on Membership, Periodicals, etc.

2:45—Music, recitation or song by an L. T. L.

3:00—What it means to be a reader of the Union Signal, and what it means to deprive myself of it. (Departments of the Signal, new features, etc.) by the County President. Discussion by the Leader.

3:20—"Signal" subscriptions taken by the County President, assisted by the Leader.

3:40—Recitation by a "Y" member.

3:55—The "Crusader Monthly," for teachers, and for Young People. Why? By the Superintendent of Literature. Opening of the subscription list for the Crusader.

4:15—Announcements and benediction.

Evening.

7:15—Young People's Evening—Devotional services conducted by a "Y."

7:30—Brief song and drill exercise by the L. T. L.'s.

8:00—Contest of six recitations only or other exercise by the "Y's." (Admission at the door to meet Institute expense.) Extend invitation for new members while judges prepare their report. If the services are on time, and not too long, follow the awarding of the medal by a social half-hour in which to get acquainted and to make a crusade for membership by a special committee.

Second Day—Morning.

9:30—Hymn, Invocation, Music.

9:45—Open Parliament, State and National Plans, by the Leader.

10:00—Proportionate Giving. By the Supt. of the Department.

10:10—A Parliamentary Drill or Quiz. By the Leader.

10:20—Indiana W. C. T. U. Hadley Industrial School; encouraging outlook. Report by Institute Leader.

10:45—Topic—Training for Character.

a. Work and regular habits, as elements in Character Building. By a Mother.

b. Is irreverence increasing among children? By a Sunday School Supt.

c. Effect of popular amusements upon habits and character, (including the five-cent theater.) By a Sunday School Teacher.

d. Proper home attractions, to counteract outside attractions. By a Pastor. (The foregoing to be given in four papers of five minutes each.)

11:05—Music.

11:10—How can Statutory Prohibition best be made effective and permanent. Discussion by two honorary members—ten minutes each.

11:30—Evangelistic half-hour. Victory through faith and work. Scripture quotations, Song, Prayer, conducted by the Supt. of Evangelistic Work.

Announcements—Adjournment for lunch.

Afternoon.

2:00—Music, Prayer, Special Music.

2:20—Law Enforcement. By an officer of the law.

2:35—Topic—"The Church's Opportunity."

a. How can the church best enlist its membership in an aggressive warfare against the liquor traffic?

b. How can the churches be strongly co-operative against the saloon? To be discussed by two ministers, each using ten minutes. General discussion.

3:05—Topic—"The Nation's Opportunity to do Justice and Advance Civic Righteousness by Enfranchising its Women."

a. The effect of woman's ballot in securing legislation for purity and other reforms.

b. Results of Woman's Suffrage in Wyoming and other Equal Suffrage States; also in other countries.

c. What leading statesmen and philanthropists have favored the ballot for women, and why?

d. When this State expects to have Equal Suffrage, and how to conduct the campaign. The foregoing to be discussed by four able Equal Suffragists, preferably by two men and two women, eight minutes each.

3:40—Music.

3:45—When this State expects to have Prohibition and how. By a Prohibition Leader.

4:10—Announcements, Benediction.

Evening.

7:30—Music, Invocation, Special Music.

7:50—Address—Saloon License Unconstitutional and Unscriptural. By a temperance lawyer or judge.

8:25—High License, High Treason against the best interests of the State, the Church, the Home, the Individual. By the Institute Leader, or other able public speaker.

9:00—Special Music—Invitation for new members, Prayer and Benediction. A social half-hour may follow here (if on time) in which additions to the membership may be made.

Other Topics for Open Parliament.

1. On to Washington.
2. Will the South gain as many States for Prohibition as the North did about fifty years ago?
3. The effect of the cigarette upon the growing boy.
4. What should be the attitude of the church official toward the tobacco and the cigarette habit?
5. Should the church papers advertise patent medicines which contain opium or alcohol?
6. Why the Littlefield Bill should become a law?

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Superintendent Indiana W. C. T. U. Institutes,
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INSTITUTE SCHEDULE FOR 1908.

Leader—Mrs. Ella Kroft, Fairfield.

March 9, 10, 11—Wayne County.
March 12, 13, 15—Randolph County.
March 16, 17, 18—Blackford County.
March 19, 20, 22—Wells County.
March 23, 24, 25—Whitley County.
March 26, 27, 29—DeKalb County.
April 13, 14, 15—Steuben County.
April 16, 17, 19—Noble County.
April 20, 21, 22—Kosciusko County.
April 23, 24, 26—Wabash County.

Leader—Mrs. Retta Jones, Alexandria.

March 9, 10, 11—Hamilton County.
March 12, 13, 15—Boone County.
March 16, 17, 18—Lake County.
March 19, 20, 22—Porter County.
March 23, 24, 25—LaPorte County.
March 26, 27, 29—St. Joseph County.
March 30, 31, April 1—Elkhart County.
April 13, 14, 15—Hancock County.
April 16, 17, 19—Decatur County.
April 20, 21, 22—Bartholomew County.
April 23, 24, 26—Johnson County.
April 27, 28, 29—Morgan County.
April 30, May 1, 3—Hendricks County.

Leader—Miss Mary Woodard, Fountain City.

March 9, 10, 11—Henry County.
March 12, 13, 15—Delaware County.
March 16, 17, 18—Jay County.
March 19, 20, 22—Grant County.
April 9, 10, 12—Miami County.
April 13, 14, 15—Marshall County.
April 16, 17, 18—Marion County.

Leader—Mrs. Rose Pearce, Cayuga.

March 16, 17, 18—Madison County.
March 19, 20, 22—Huntington County.
March 23, 24, 25—Allen County.
March 26, 27, 29—Howard County.
April 13, 14, 15—Fayette County.
April 16, 17, 19—Union County.
April 20, 21, 22—Franklin County.
April 23, 24, 26—Dearborn County.
May 4, 5, 6—Lawrence County.
May 7, 8, 10—Washington County.
May 11, 12, 13—Floyd County.
May 14, 15, 17—Clark County.
May 18, 19, 20—Jefferson County.

Leader—Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Hartsville.

April 9, 10—Clinton County.
April 13, 14—Tippecanoe County.

Leader—Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Liberty.

March 9, 10, 11—Vermillion County.
March 12, 13, 15—Benton County.
April 13, 14, 15—Monroe County.
April 16, 17, 19—Pike County.
April 20, 21, 22—Gibson County.
April 23, 24, 26—Posey County.
April 27, 28, 29—Vanderburgh County.
April 30, May 1, 3—Warwick County.
May 4, 5, 6—Spencer County.
May 7, 8, 10—Dubois County.

Leader—To be Supplied.

Jackson County.	Jennings County.
Ripley County.	Ohio County.
Shelby County.	Fountain County.
Warren County.	Carroll County.
Pulaski County.	Starke County.
Fulton County.	Parke County.
Clay County.	Owen County.
Greene County.	Knox County.
Sullivan County.	Vigo County.
Putnam County.	Rush County.

LETTER FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF INSTITUTES.

Dear Co-Workers:

Please read carefully the Institute Program and Schedule printed above, and write at once to your State Superintendent, or your appointed leader, or both, saying that you accept dates scheduled your county. It means so much to the work when we hear from you promptly. Again let me remind you that we are making a special effort to increase our membership this year, and the Institutes give us a great opportunity along this line. Let us pass the 7,000 mark when we meet in October at the State Convention. We can do it if we will. Read carefully "Indiana's Plan," also your State Superintendent's "Plan of Work," which I mailed to each County President some days ago. Write me for help or information. Let us enter upon this year's work with united prayer and effort.

Lovingly yours to serve,

Rose Pearce,
Cayuga, Indiana. State Supt. Institutes.

IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. Margaret Rapp, a member of Seymour W. C. T. U. went Home. A life long worker in the Temperance cause. The W. C. T. U. were given the privilege of assisting in the funeral service after a hymn and a prayer and we encircled her casket and our tiny white bows were lovingly laid therein. The W.C.T.U. sisters sang, "Shall we meet beyond the river". Her life spoke for the cause she believed in to the large number assembled from all parts of the country to do her honor. We are bereaved; Mrs. Rapp is among those who "May rest from their labors, and their works do follow them."

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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THE NATIONAL W. C. T. U. TREASURER AT ANDERSON.

Friday evening, February 14th, Mrs. Harriet W. Brand, Treasurer of the National W. C. T. U., of Evanston, Ill., gave an address at the Mission Church, corner of Fourteenth and Brown Streets, in loving memory of Frances E. Willard, temperance reformer. Despite the most unfavorable weather, there was a large and interested audience. Mrs. W. W. Leib of the local W. C. T. U. presiding. The devotional services were conducted by Rev. Charles P. Luce, pastor of the Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Brand reviewed the life of Miss Willard from girlhood until she was promoted. She dwelt particularly on her early call to the temperance work; on her intellectual development; of her consecration to the work she loved so well. The address was replete with beautiful thoughts, expressed in choice language, a deserved tribute to the honored leader of the temperance reform.

Mrs. Brand also discussed the temperance movement throughout the country, which was instructive and interesting. Beautiful music was furnished by a male quartette under the leadership of Prof. Wiley. The temperance people of Anderson wish Mrs. Brand God speed in her work. While in the city she was the guest of Miss Clara M. Sears and parents.

PROHIBITION FOR INDIANA

Indiana W. C. T. U. for Prohibition.

March 20th—Prohibition Day.

Oratorical Contests.

TRICKETT STIRS CHICAGO.

Assistant Attorney General Charles W. Trickett, of Kansas City, Kans., stirred the dry bones of religion and politics in two tremendous addresses in Chicago under the auspices of twenty-five allied temperance, prohibition, and law and order organizations. Mr. Trickett struck the key note for Sunday closing and a straight prohibition movement in Chicago, with five hundred Chicago preachers as his auditors. For two hours of the busiest time of the day, Mr. Trickett held his audience spell-bound with his appeal for a militant church to take advantage of the present opportunity and to take the first step towards absolute prohibition in Chicago, compelling the Mayor and the officials to close the 7,000 law defying gin-mills on the Sabbath day. "Any executive or other official of the law whose duty it is to maintain the dignity of the municipal or State government who refuses to enforce and obey the laws of the State is a traitor and a nullifier, and if the city of Chicago, through its present administration, connives at law-breaking, it is in rebellion against the sovereign power of this great State. The people of this country will have little respect for the latter day home of Abraham Lincoln, if it is to tolerate rebellion within its borders." This sentiment of Mr. Trickett was cheered to the echo.

For over an hour Attorney Trickett outlined the details of the wonderful law enforcement triumph achieved in Kansas City, Kans., and the Sun Flower State during the past fifteen months.

"We found," declared Mr. Trickett, "that the bulwark of law-defiance and the real liquor anarchists we had to fight were the great outside millionaire brewers, who, through the innumerable jointists with which they had flooded our commonwealth, had laid siege to the sovereign law of Kansas and fully intended to secure its repeal through deliberate nullification."

Then in the most direct and graphic language Attorney General Trickett pictured the success of law-enforcement in Kansas City and outlined the countless obstacles over which the friends of law and order had to fight their way before they could redeem that great metropolis from the clutches of the whisky machine.

Mr. Trickett's address was punctuated with applause at almost every period and the enthusiasm was remarkable in so serious minded an audience.

When we remember that last year we paid in the United States to support the saloon and damn the boys and girls of this country \$1,325,000,000 more than we did to educate them, it looks as though something ought to be done.

FOR INDIANA W. C. T. U.

7,000 MEMBERS 1908.

1,500 SUBSCRIBERS TO UNION SIGNAL.

1,000 SCHOOL TEACHERS TAKING CRUSADER MONTHLY.

SEVEN PROHIBITION STATES

MISSISSIPPI legislature has passed a prohibition law to go into effect Jan. 1, 1909.

MAINE.

KANSAS.

NORTH DAKOTA.

OKLAHOMA.

GEORGIA.

ALABAMA.

Governor E. E. Noel, of Mississippi says: The brand of crime has been placed upon liquor selling by the moral sense of all the counties in the state, except a few on the Gulf coast and the Mississippi river front. There the saloons and their friends ask, now, to be let alone. This is a self-refuted appeal. They do not let those localities alone which have outlawed the liquor traffic but, on the contrary send to them both liquor and liquor soaked victims, breeding crimes which would not otherwise occur. Besides, in all state elections and in the legislative gatherings the foreign and home liquor dealers are found actively at work, seeking to control results in their own interests. By thorough organization, continued watchfulness, absence of all scruples, and readiness for every emergency the liquor forces cannot be prevented, as long as the business is legalized from frequently holding, and exercising, the balance of political power. Those who become its beneficiaries, regardless of platforms, are generally found to be in full sympathy and accord with the liquor interests and oblivious to their crimes. This pernicious political influence makes absurd their claim of saloons being a local question.

"If prohibition is made purely statutory, foreign liquor dealers and their home sympathizers will attempt to renew the question before every legislature. For this reason we should also have a constitutional amendment submitted, so that only the people could undo what they once determine."

Every County Superintendent should visit every union in her county once every three months. Superintendents who do this arouse an interest in their departments that only personal sacrifice can accomplish.

March 29th is Temperance Sunday. For Sunday Schools arrange special temperance music and have two good temperance readings. In some places these will be more profitable than the prescribed lesson. Right now is the time to make arrangements.

For excellent information in literature send in postage stamps a few dimes to the following addresses:

Mrs. Edith Smith Davis, 2913 Brown Street, Milwaukee, Wis.

Hon. Charles R. Jones, 184 LaSalle Street, Chicago.

Miss Ruby I. Gilbert, 131 Silversmiths Bldg., Wabash Avenue, Chicago.

"Government control of Liquor Traffic," twenty cents for fifty copies, Mrs. L. M. Stevens.

"Prohibitory Law-Facts," Dr. M. E. Keller, 219 K. of P. Bldg., Indianapolis, Ind.

"Prohibition in Maine," five cents per copy. Poem, "The South is Going Dry," 100 copies for thirty cents.

W. C. T. U. Songs—"Crusade Glory Song," to the tune of the Glory Song (Gospel) and "Under the Star Spangled Banner," to the tune of "Marching through Georgia." These are on one leaflet at fifteen cents for fifty copies. Send to the writer, Mrs. Antoinette Hawley, Denver, Colorado.

Local and County W. C. T. U. Officers must have the ammunition to successfully combat our enemy. Every one should be a weekly student of The Union Signal, the bulletin sent out by our commander-in-chief of the W. C. T. U. (The National Officers.) To be a consistent informed officer the reading of The Union Signal is necessary. Yes, you have The Message, which tells you of the out posts, the skirmishes and battles in our Indiana unions. In order to have the wisdom to plan and work most intelligently for

Indiana every officer and private in our ranks should read The Union Signal. Besides the individual need to our White Ribboners, The Union Signal's weekly letter from Washington will interest the men and young people in the home. They will be interested in the world's correspondence. The Union Signal, \$1.00 per year, less than two cents a week. Send money order to The Union Signal, Evanston, Ill.

Facts! If the W. C. T. U. had never done any other thing than through its Scientific Temperance Instruction Department, to have the following results it would go down to history as a great organization. Think of it! Last year over 500,000 essays were written by school children on "The Value of Total Abstinence to a Life." At least 500,000 homes were reached and parents made to think. Teachers who had been indifferent for lack of information now became interested and their attention called to the subject. A tremendous influence for temperance has been the result. This temperance uprising all over the nation is the result of the thirty years educational agitation of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Women get facts concerning our great work. Use them in the press. Send them to your pastors, to Sunday School teachers. Scatter the information and you will help to roll an even greater temperance wave by November 4th, when it will count to have a real total abstaining President of the United States. The next President will be a total abstainer if you each one do all you can to influence public sentiment to that effect. For Indiana is a strong factor in the national election.

Use Temperance Songs.

Have a Temperance Reading at every meeting held by the W. C. T. U.

We are sending our boys out into the world where we have placed more death-traps than we have saving stations. We have placed in their way by our deliberate premeditated vote 116,000 more licensed liquor saloons in the United States than we have churches.

We want you to see this fact that there have been planted in the way of our boys, 116,000 more saloons than churches. More saloon keepers than preachers, more saloon keepers than teachers, more gambling dens than Sunday Schools, more brothels than Christian Endeavor Societies.

FRANCHISE.

Dear Sisters:

The Institute season is at hand. It is the time when the general public can be reached with the truth. There is no subject that the women of Indiana are more interested in at the present time than the woman's enfranchisement. Let the suffrage topics be ably championed and, whenever possible, let the evening lecture be upon this subject. Some of our leaders are well prepared and will be glad to deliver suffrage addresses.

Yours for emancipation, Lida Outland.

FLOWER MISSION.

Dear Sisters:

Almost half the year has passed, yet I feel sure all the local and county superintendents of this beautiful department have been doing excellent work, as Jennie Cassaday has said: "Our mission is to lead burdened souls to Christ; to cheer and comfort all who need a friend and to help the poor to help themselves. To carry into places of sorrow and want the softening influence of the flowers, the full meaning to each of a helping hand." The flowers may be supplemented by gifts of fruit, jelly, food, fuel, delicacies, comforts for the sick, medicine, clothing, household articles, assisting the poor, sick and discouraged. Distributing books, cards, magazines; arranging a chorus to sing at the homes of shut ins and at institutions. Give drives and outings to convalescents, and to those who are compelled to remain much in doors. Dear sisters, let us put forth our very best efforts this year in this, the Master's work. I have written letters and sent plan of work to every county superintendent and to many of the local superintendents. Two letters have been returned to me unclaimed. If any county superintendent has not received plan of work, write me and I will send one. A detailed record of all Flower Mission work done is most essential to the building up of the work and should never be neglected. I trust when spring comes and flowers begin to bloom that each local union will devote one meeting to this department with Flower Mission program. We will send report blank in March and September. Write me if I can help you in any way.

Lovingly yours,

Viola R. Harvey.

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At Washington City in 1900 at the National W. C. T. U. convention Indiana was awarded five National Banners for most excellent reports in each of five different departments. At that time Indiana did not have a third as members as New York State, and not half as many as Pennsylvania and Illinois; was thousands of members behind Massachusetts, Ohio and Michigan. The great wonder of the National Officers and National Superintendents was how did Indiana win so much with not one union of over 100 paid members; not one county then with 500 paid members and a State membership so much less than many others.

It was explained easily. Then our unions used "blanket report blanks" and reported four times a year to the State Superintendents. More work, yes four times more work was done and it was carefully reported. From some places objections were raised by women because during a quarter their increase in postage would mean ten cents or may be in some places twenty cents. This they declared they could not stand and the counties ought not to stand.

The result was that the plan of reporting was gradually changed. Then the State printed all the Department Questions on one long sheet and sent to each County Corresponding Secretary and she sent it on to the unions. At the unions the superintendents of the department secured all reports of work done and filled the report blank for her union.

Now each State Superintendent prints her blanks and mails them herself and asks for annual reports. Few State Superintendents have as many as fifty County Superintendents of their department. To the County Superintendents the State Superintendent sends report blanks for each local union in the county. The County Superintendent then sends one to each local superintendent.

Indiana department workers will have far greater work done in the unions, if at every union meeting some time is given for reports of department work. Every sensible woman knows that frequent reports stimulate to activity. There is scarcely a member of a union in Indiana that does not do some kind of W. C. T. U. work every day—the reporting of which would increase the work in a great ratio.

NATIONAL PRIZES OFFERED.

The Scientific Temperance Instruction Department will give a prize of fifty dollars this year for the best essay written in the High School, and one of thirty dollars (the Mary C. Upham prize) for the best essay written in the grades. These contests must be conducted by rules sent out by the department. Last year over five hundred thousand essays were written by school children on "The Value of Total Abstinence to a Life." Indiana must work for this prize. Send for rules and plans to our State Superintendent, Mrs. Ethel E. Bair, North Liberty, St. Joseph County, Indiana.

The Medical Temperance department will award a banner to the State reporting the largest number of physicians reached with medical temperance literature. The literature must be by or sanctioned by this department, as some medical temperance literature contains grave errors.

Physicians may be reached by lending or giving the department books, by mailing or giving personally the pamphlet by Dr. Mac Nicholl of New York, entitled, "Does Alcohol Sustain Life?" or the pamphlet by Dr. J. H. Kellogg of Battle Creek, Mich., entitled, "The Truth About Alcohol as Medicine;" packages prepared for physicians by Mrs. M. M. Allen, National Superintendent. These packages are of different sizes and sell at five cents, ten cents and fifteen cents. For State plans regarding this department write to our State Superintendent, Dr. M. E. Keller, 212 Pythian Building, Indianapolis, Ind.

The Sabbath Observance department offers to our Indiana Superintendent five dollars worth of Sabbath Observance literature for use in her State, if she reports by the end of the year an increase of twenty local and county superintendents. For further State plans write to our State Superintendent, who is also Associate National Superintendent, Mrs. Kathryn Wert-Holler, 749 Howard Avenue, South Bend, Ind.

Mothers' Meetings—The prize is a banner to the State for the largest per centage of local reports secured which shall answer definitely ten questions in figures. Another for the largest number of Mothers' Meetings held in a State. Another for the largest White Ribbon Recruits enrolled during the year in a State. Percentage means the largest number according to the number of local unions in a State. For further plans inquire of State Superintendent, Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City, Ind.

Institutes—The Institute Star will be given to the State sending the best filled report blank. The Institute Banner will be given to the State making the best all round report. Proportionate results will be considered. Last year Illinois 290 Institutes. Cooperate and help our State

Superintendent, Mrs. Rose Pearce, Cayuga, Ind. Bring this banner to Indiana.

Literature—The department offers a beautiful silver loving cup to the State sending in the best report. Best means the fullest in answer to every question. The National Superintendent of Literature, Mae A. Davis, says: "A letter, well written, in interest of the department work is Temperance Literature and every page of the paper you edit ought to be sent to Superintendent of temperance literature. Why not?"

"The States are doing wonderful things in the way of using temperance and religious literature and yet they do not report it to their State Superintendent. While I was in Nashville I heard of Illinois sending out 5,000 copies of a temperance paper one day. A religious news paper in New York sends it out, free of cost, by the wagon load, and the President of Georgia said that they sent one wagon load and three buggy loads in one day and yet to my knowledge none of these things were reported. Then if you have a National Superintendent of any department why not report the literature she sends out as State literature? Then it will be reported twice?—not so."

Medal Contests—A gold medal will be given to the State that reports the largest number of contests in proportion to State membership. The National Banner will be awarded to the State making the greatest increase of contests over last year. A gold medal or 100 reciters will be given to the county superintendent who holds the largest number of contests. A gold medal will be given to the local superintendent who holds the largest increase in the number of contests over last year. A gold medal will be given to the State Superintendent who reports the largest number of high grade contests.

Indiana must win some of these prizes. Write to our State Superintendent, Mrs. Julia Overman, Marion, Ind.

TO LOCAL UNIONS.

The State Central Committee has placed some restrictions upon the material sent to The Message. Limiting death notices to fifty words. Resolutions are often very interesting and surely consoling to the friends, but on account of the limited space of The Message these should be used in the local papers.

Local reports of about two hundred or two hundred and twenty-five words. County reports of about three hundred words will enable us to get more reports from the same union or county and the reports will be later. Postal card reports are greatly valued.

County Conventions should plan to clear the fields every where this spring for a great summer's work. When a county superintendent is such without works it is time for a change. Declare the office vacant and elect another. The war is on and there is no time to stop. Fill up the offices with energetic women who do things. Little things count in our ranks at a tremendous value.

Indiana women let us be prompt and loyal in sending \$2.00 for the Frances E. Willard Memorial Fund from each union in our State. Do this right away! Send to our State Treasurer, Miss Clara Sears, Anderson, Ind.

Mrs. Harriet W. Brand our National Treasurer, is an able and convincing speaker, she was greatly appreciated as Indiana's Corresponding Secretary, which place she resigned when called to be a National W. C. T. U. officer. Mrs. Brand is coming into Indiana for some work each month. Write and engage her for dates. Her terms are very reasonable. Her address is Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill.

County Presidents who frequently visit their local unions greatly help the work.

The Boy Magazine ought to be put into the hands of all boys of twelve years and older who attend Sunday Schools. The front cover inside is very attractive. It is red and contains Hoffman's Head of Christ. Send for sample copies and prices to "The Boy Magazine," 1119 The Temple, 184 LaSalle Street, Chicago, Ill.

A Temperance Newspaper in the home of every church member would bring Prohibition for Indiana if nothing else was done. Take subscriptions for temperance newspapers. Begin today. The Patriot Phalanx, \$1.00 per year, official organ Prohibition Party of Indiana, 119 W. Maryland Street, Indianapolis.

The Prohibitionist, \$1.00 per year, official organ of the National Prohibition Party, 87 Washington Street, Chicago, Ill.

The National Advocate, \$1.00 per year, Organ National Temperance Society, 3 East Fourteenth Street, New York City.

To agents every one of these papers make some special rates. Women and boys and girls who want to help the cause and earn some money too, can arrange to do so, beginning right now, if they will write to one of these papers and get samples and get to work.

THE MESSAGE.

SPECIAL SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION PREMIUMS.

(1) To the Scientific Temperance Instruction Departments of the two States sending between Oct. 25, 1907, and October 1, 1908, the greatest and the second greatest number of yearly Crusader Monthly subscriptions for teachers, in proportion to State W. C. T. U. membership, will be awarded premiums of \$15 and \$10 respectively.

(2) To the Scientific Temperance Instruction Departments of the two States sending between October 25, 1907, and October 1, 1908, the greatest and second greatest number of subscriptions for teachers will be awarded premiums of \$15 and \$10 respectively.

All subscriptions must be plainly marked so in your subscription letters. Send to the Crusader Monthly, Evanston, Ill., for samples. If you are working for the \$25.00 L. T. L. Library premium it need not interfere, as these subscriptions may also be counted on that. Shall Indiana be one of the winning States?

Yours for Indiana,
Ethel E. Bair, State Sup't.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP.

Dear County Superintendents and County Presidents:

A few days ago I sent to you my literature and hope it has helped you to understand more fully the work of this important department. I want to thank you for the faithful work done last year, for because of it Indiana was given honorable mention by our National Superintendent in the Union Signal. It pays to be faithful. I hope you will study carefully the little booklet I sent you and I am sure you will be interested to know that no department has made greater progress than ours. I am expecting something good from the National Superintendent right soon, and will hand it on to you as soon as I receive it. Keep an accurate account of all work done on middle pages in booklet. Let nothing be left undone. Strike at gambling, whether it be in the low dive, gilded saloon or parlor. Let us not forget what gambling is. The law says: "Playing of any game whatsoever for any sum of money or other property of value." Educate the people along this line. Many do not know they are violating the law when they have parlor games and give prizes. "My people perish for want of knowledge." Begin now to arrange for addresses on "Christian Citizenship" at open air meetings, chautauqua assemblies and G. A. R. encampments. Pay to secure a place on the program for addresses or recitations at any public meeting. Do not report meeting without address or recitation given. With these few lines of encouragement, and hoping for a united effort of all the forces, I am,

Yours for service,
Gertrude Fulton, State Sup't.
422 E. Main Street, Portland, Ind.

STATE PRESS WORK.

In accordance with the State plan of work the county and local unions are requested to hold a Press Rally as near March 1st as possible.

Program—Press Rally.

DevotionalCounty President
Special Music.
Talk by Press Superintendent.
"The Newspaper—The Common School of our Country".....By a School Teacher
"The Citizen's Attitude Toward the Liquor Question"By an Editor
Song "Press On"
White Ribbon Hymnal page 63.
"Have we a Free Press?".....By a Pastor
Have five minute talks on the press as aids in the pulpit by a pastor.
"Commercial World".....By a Politician
"W. C. T. U.".....Press Supt
Special Music.
Paper—"Tools for our Work, the Making of News,"Press Supt
Distribute literature; solicit members.
Mrs. Emma Saylor, State Supt.

Temperance Music can be purchased of Miss Ruby T. Gilbert, 915 Silversmith Bldg., 131-137 Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Ill. Send to the above address for catalogue, for literature and music.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGIONERS.

The Executive Committee of the Loyal Temperance Legion will meet at the home of Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College Avenue, Indianapolis, Ind., March 27, 1908, at 10 o'clock. This committee consists of the State President, Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Musical Director, State General Secretary, State Superintendents of Departments, State Agent for Crusader Monthly, County and Local Superintendents and County Presidents. Mrs. McWhirter writes that she extends this invitation "By authority of the President of Indianapolis Central W. C. T. U., the union to furnish the lunch for the Executive Committee at the noon hour. The committee to have private rooms for their meeting. Just the social hour at noon with the Central Union." Now let every member of this committee make arrangements to be present. The work needs you.

Yours for success,
Ida M. Mix, State General Secretary.

CALL FOR MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

The Mid-Year Meeting of the Executive Committee will be held at Lebanon, Ind., beginning at two p. m., on Tuesday, April 7th, and closing with the afternoon meeting on Wednesday the 8th. The Executive Committee consists of the Board of Trustees, Secretary of the Young Woman's Branch, Secretary of the Loyal Legion Branch, Editor of the State paper, President and Secretary of the Board of Superintendents and the President of each County Union.

This meeting is of vital importance and I sincerely hope that every member will answer to roll call at the first meeting. It is the duty of each county to send its President, paying her expenses.

Each County President is asked to respond to first roll call by stating gain in membership in her county over corresponding quarters last year, so I trust March dues may all come in that we may know just how much we have gained. The total gain to that time should be at least 750 if we are to reach our 7,000 members this year.

Yours for service,
Culla J. Vayhinger.

MEDAL CONTEST WORK.

It is the earnest desire of this department to make this by far the best year in the history of our work in the State. In order to do so heroic work must be done in every locality. Of the seventy-five counties organized in W. C. T. U. work only thirty-five have incorporated this department in its work. Is it asking too much to suggest that every county take up medal contest work at once? At least seven hundred contests must be given in the State to come in line for a National banner—our goal for this year. If each of the seventy-five counties would immediately go to work and succeed in holding only ten contests during the year our ambition might easily be gratified. This is the National campaign year, and no better way of arousing public sentiment can be devised than that outlined by this department of work. Will you not swing into line and help us? If you do not understand the work we will gladly give you all necessary information. If your county or local superintendent does not move out, write to me directly yourself and I will help you start. It is a wonderful field of activity. Try one contest and you will become enthusiastic. I shall expect to hear from you at once.

(Mrs.) Julia Overman,
Marion, Ind. State Sup't.

Dear Sisters:

The interest is greatly increasing in this most important department. The letters that come to me daily from over the State are most encouraging, and I am confident we will have a good report. But I feel sure the work unreported will be very great. Oh, that every union could fully realize what a loss this is to them, not only to the union, but also to the County and State and the public. I wish I could impress upon every Press Superintendent the great importance of this department. We ought to be in earnest about this now when this great temperance wave is sweeping our country. The public ought to know more about our work and our efforts to rid our State of the licensed saloon. The leading dailies of the State have shown greater courtesy to us and have presented the temperance question more frequently and more justly than ever before. All along the line there are encouraging signs. It is a blessed privilege to be co-laborers with God in putting away evil things and bringing to pass the reign of righteousness. Then let us do our duty in active energy in the realities of now.

I find the names of forty-one County Press Superintendents in the annual minutes. I have sent the State plan of work to these Superintendents with a letter of greeting, urging them to immediately send them to their local superintendents. I feel that they have not all done this, as I have received a great many letters from local superintendents asking for the plan of work. I want every Superintendent to communicate with me, and every County Superintendent whose name is not in the State Minutes please write to me at once, as I have no way of knowing you. And I will help you in every way possible.

Mrs. Emma Saylor, Supt.
52 Taylor Street, Frankfort, Ind.

MEMBERSHIP CONTEST PLAN.

Choose two captains from the Union. They choose alternately from the membership until all on the roll are chosen. Each member on the one side wears a streamer of red ribbon, on the other, a blue. Give four weeks for work, placing time for closing of contest when the work is begun. When a woman is won to membership, her dollar paid, the woman winning her pins the white ribbon on her and with it the color of the side which she represents and the new member begins working at once for that side. At the end of the given time, a reception is held, the side winning most new members (no woman is counted until her dollar is paid) furnishing the literary program, and the other side furnishing refreshments. Honorary members do not count in the contest.

The New Crusade Plan.

Each member pledges to secure at least one new member before June 15, 1908.
This is the plan which made Ohio's gain.

THE YOUNG WOMAN'S BRANCH OF THE NATIONAL W. C. T. U.

Dear Comrades:

As newly elected Secretary of the Young Woman's Branch I wish to send you a few words of greeting through your State paper. Though I have held this position but a few weeks, the more I study how we may build up our work the larger becomes my vision and the more enticingly beautiful becomes the work of the Young Woman's Branch. You will find that your power in the temperance cause will come through a deep conviction of the rightness of the cause and a thorough knowledge of the working machinery of the organization of which you are a member. Will you not seek that power, this year by a careful study of the Union Signal, your own State paper, the Y. Year book, which will be ready in about a month, and the department literature furnished by State and National Superintendents of the W. C. T. U. Your State Secretary will from time to time give you practical suggestions about work for your union, but may I not urge the following points:

(1) Let every Y carefully observe the noontide prayer and ask other Christians to do the same.

(2) Take up a few of the departments of our work and be very thorough keeping accurate record in a blank book of the work done in each.

(3) Pay dues early in the year and when these are sent on to the treasurer see to it that they are designated Y dues.

(4) Have interesting programs for your meetings. You will find the Year Book helpful in arranging programs.

(5) Do some big thing for your town to bring your work before the people, such as erecting drinking fountains, putting Miss Willard's picture in schools, libraries, soldiers' homes and other institutions. Will you not each one who reads this column begin at once to look about you for the many bright young people who would be a help to our work and who need the all round development which is sure to come from the espousal of a righteous cause and invite them to join the Y. This is the beginning of a new year in our work and the time for good resolutions and I want to ask each member of the Y to resolve that this year she will not let the temperance work wait upon social life, church work, and every other duty, but will remember that ours is an Interdenominational Christian Organization and that we are fighting the greatest enemy of the Church and so give to the Y faithful service.

I realize that you are a busy young woman and these are busy times so let us drop all the unimportant things which cumber our lives and attempt great things this year. I stand ready to help you in any way I can. Write to me when you have perplexing problems. If you have interesting original papers, or poems send them to me and we may be able to use them in our page in the Signal. Be sure to send to me news items about your work that your ideas may be passed on to others. May the Lord bless and keep you and give you each day the joy which comes from service.

Rhena E. G. Mosher,
Westfield, New York.

CALL TO PRAYER.

March 20th, From 2 to 4 P. M.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana is called to observe March 20th as a day of prayer for the following things:

(1) That the Holy Spirit will touch the hearts of the women of Indiana, that they may be willing to put on the white ribbon and become aggressive in the temperance reform in the State.

(2) That He may so burden the heart of every white ribboner in the State for our cause that she may just now go out to gain other women to it.

(3) That God will strengthen the voters, too, by their ballots, free the State of the traffic by electing a Governor and Legislature that will give us prohibition of the manufacture and sale of all intoxicating liquors.

(4) That God may strengthen us to pray and work for the defeat of all candidates, both for Governor and Legislature, who do not stand committed to the overthrow of the infamous liquor traffic in the State.

Dear Sisters—I trust March 20th, Neal Dow day, may be observed as a day of prayer, for the things indicated in the call. Have a short sketch of the "Life and Work of Neal Dow;" a short talk on "The Advantages of Prohibition in Indiana"—and then get hold of God in prayer for the success of our cause which we know is God's cause. The victory is coming if we only remain true.

Culla J. Vayhinger.

The Board of Trade of Columbus, Ohio, under date of November 8th, sends a letter to the Ohio State Prohibition Committee, offering its heartiest cooperation in securing the National Prohibition Convention for that city in 1908. This letter, which is officially signed by Secretary John Y. Bassell, states that the Board of Trade "hereby guarantees its support in the entertainment of delegates, furnishing Memorial Hall, fully equipped for convention purposes together with ample auxiliary accommodations, which shall be required."

FIELD NEWS

Coloma—The evening's program for February 6th, was most effective. Opened by prayer, followed by a very appropriate program on the life of Frances E. Willard. A new member was added to the now small band of twelve W. C. T. U. workers. Announcement was made for next month's program, Union Signal Day; closing with the hymn, "Blest be the Tie."

Mrs. Lydia Jett, Press Cor.

Poseyville W. C. T. U. met at Mrs. T. J. Williams on January 16th; President Mrs. Lou Rogers presiding. Devotionals were led by Mrs. T. J. Williams. After the business of the local union the county work was considered by the County President Mrs. Charles Cleveland. With the help of Mt. Vernon union the county officers were elected as follows: County President, Mrs. Lou Rogers, Poseyville; Vice-President, Mrs. W. D. Brown, Poseyville; Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. W. B. Black, Mt. Vernon; Treasurer, Mrs. Charles Cleveland, Poseyville. After which refreshments were served. Our Mt. Vernon sisters were very much pleased with our meeting and the work of the year has started out with great promise. Let us keep this inspiration throughout the year. Victory is sure if each one is faithful to duty.

Eda Tilton, Press Supt.

Howard County—The quarterly meeting of County Superintendents of departments was held in Russiaville, Thursday, February 13th. The morning session was in charge of the County President, Mrs. Ida Mix. The four departments considered were Mercy, Sabbath Observance, Franchise and Flower Mission. These meetings are very helpful to the unions.

Henrietta M. Arnold.

Huntington County has the honor of having the first union organized after the State Convention. Roanoke and Markle are dry, and Warren will be dry in June, if not earlier. We have twenty-one indictments against one man, and eighteen against another, gained one case in court and expect to gain another to-day. The W. C. T. U. started the ball rolling, and we had the help of all ministers and business men. The only reason that all towns are not dry is because people are afraid. Women do not be afraid, because we as a W. C. T. U. have greater power than we think, we can use tact, ask questions, do not condemn, place ourselves in line and "victory is ours." Our beloved local President of Markle lost her dear husband, Mr. James Penfold. He started south to regain health and seek a location, but died in a few days after reaching Texas. We expect to hold an institute, as these are training schools. We have a fine new Court House at Huntington, and our local union at Huntington applied for a room in same, and we now have headquarters, and the President, Mrs. Newcomb, has asked all interested in temperance work to call on Saturday and Tuesday, and feel at home. Yours for service,

Mrs. Irene Gard.

Mooreville—At the meeting of our union Tuesday, January 28th. Little Margaret Tutt, age eight, and small for her years made application for membership. She had earned the membership for herself and her application was received with appreciation. She is a medal speaker, and the white ribbon looks well under the shadow of her bright curls. We are already thinking of sending her to the next State convention.

Sarah K. Manire.

The Richmond Frances E. Willard Union is growing in interest and numbers. Our President, Mrs. Nettie V. Traum, gave an enthusiastic report of the State Convention to members and visitors at the home of Eliza Morris. A mother's meeting was held on the 29th of November at the home of Mrs. Traum. An interesting program was rendered. Several mothers with their young children were present. At the close of the meeting refreshments were served. A public meeting was held at the First M. E. Church in December, at which Rev. Traum gave an address on "The Father's Responsibility." The baneful effects of the cigarette habit, and the department of Mercy, were the topics for an interesting program. Meeting held at the home of Eliza Morris. On the 19th of January Wilson S. Doan of Indianapolis, gave his lecture, "The Boy and the Flag," to an appreciative audience at the Christian Church. Col. Bain is to speak for our union on the 11th of March. A Frances E. Willard memorial meeting is being planned for February 21st, to be held with Mrs. Luring, 63 South Fifteenth street.

Mrs. Sadie H. Eves, Cor. Sec.

Russiaville—At a recent meeting held with Mrs. Mary Rich, plans for the future were made and superintendents appointed. The Flower Mission Department under the leadership of Miss Olive Lee is almost a society itself. Excellent reports of one month's work were given. It is the hope of the union that the children in Honey Creek township will become so interested in this department that they will double their energies in planning for the growing of flowers and plants next summer. A little thought now might enable us to make a creditable display of plants, flowers,

hanging baskets and vegetables at the Fair this fall, or we might have a Flower Show in mid-summer. Such an exhibition would be of value to our homes, for there is no home so poor or cottage so small that it couldn't have a part and compete for a prize.

Russiaville—We have our meeting every two weeks. Had a beautiful occasion when we organized on Sunday afternoon. Had one largely attended meeting in the M. E. Church, at which time Mrs. Wygant of Kokomo, addressed us on W. C. T. U. work, and we have a meeting advertised for the Christian Church in three weeks, when Rev. Frank Stafford (quaker) will preach a temperance sermon. This much to tell you we are active. Yours devotedly,

(Mrs.) Nora Trueblood Gause.

Vanderburg County—The unions are increasing in membership and interest steadily growing. The lunch and rest room at Evans Hall is well patronized. Kept open house New Year's day, refreshments were served. Quite a large number called. Favors of white ribbon were pinned by County President Mrs. Whitney, on which were printed, "Indiana Dry in 1912." Howell union is doing fine work, having employed a fine vocal teacher to train the Senior L. T. L. for a temperance choir. Gave a reception for the school teachers, having twelve teachers in attendance, each one of the teachers taking part in a very interesting program on scientific temperance. The Y organization was suggested by the W. C. T. U. ladies and the next week they met at one of the homes of the teachers and organized a Y with twelve of the leading young ladies of the town, six being school teachers, with the following officers: President, Mrs. Fannie Jarrett; Secretary, Miss Enola Sutter; Treasurer, Miss Mary Weno. The W. C. T. U. gives a temperance program once a month at the meetings of the M. E. Ladies' Aid of fifty-two members.

Mrs. B. Bassett, Co. Sec.

Grant County—Deer Creek Union—On February 4th, the seventeenth anniversary, an all day celebration was given, which was a grand success, not only enjoyed by the membership. But long before the noon hour the Swayzee, Tleff and Deer Creek unions were represented. The devotional was conducted by Nellie S. Davis, followed by music, and a recitation by little Mildred Shugart. The main feature on the program before noon was an address given by an honorary, Mr. Harvey Ratliff. His subject, "A Bigger Soul." An attainment, sure and certain to an active membership in an organization composed of so many Christian departments. A young mother, Mrs. Audra M. King brought her two little girls to the platform, where Mrs. Shugart dedicated them to the W. C. T. U. by invoking God's blessing and tying the white ribbon on the wrist of each. At the noon hour dinner was served in plates to more than one hundred people. A pleasant hour was spent. At 1:30 after the devotional conducted by A. W. Jay, the local treasurer was called to the platform and was reminded by the president that she was graciously remembered by the rank and file. The token was a handsome cherry rocker, ornamented by a large bow of white ribbon. But this was not all, a second surprise quickly followed, when our County Press Superintendent arose and with a neat little speech presented the president and treasurer each with a beautiful W. C. T. U. souvenir spoon, engraved and embossed with historic emblems of our organization. Vain glory could not have been the innermost thoughts of the recipients, but instead, a humble consecration. All the while conscious of the silent message, embodied therein, of "Blest be the Tie That Binds."

The debate, "Resolved, that Famine, War and Pestilence, are more destructive than the Liquor Traffic," was ably handled by Mrs. Sarah E. Thomas and Bennet L. Shugart. The speeches of both negative and affirmative being followed closely. The decision in favor of the negative, "The Liquor Traffic." Mrs. Nellie B. Kelley gave a very interesting talk on the selection of literature for the child. Mrs. Ida Harris with a vocal solo. Little Irene Shugart, a recitation. One honorary and two regular members were received. Thus closed another chapter for the Deer Creek W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Sue Ratliff.

Indianapolis Central W. C. T. U. held two important meetings in February. A regular meeting at the home of the President, Mrs. Frances Boyer on February 13th, was largely attended. Mrs. Samuel Schuck read a very comprehensive paper on "Advances in Temperance Legislation." It was reported that temperance classes conducted by Mrs. Mary Clark Brown, in the "Door of Hope" were helpful. Each week there being a change of girls; some gone, others had come to take their places. There are thirty girls there now. Mrs. Brown reported two silver medal contests held. The L. T. L. at French Lick, Ind., organized by Mrs. Brown and now conducted by Mrs. Rhoades for Central Union is in excellent condition, with a membership of forty boys and girls. The L. T. L. work conducted by Miss Marie Leck at the Cristamore College Settlement is increasing in interest. At this meeting there were present many visitors, among them Mrs. Handy, president of Mapleton union, and Mrs. Brigham, president of Indianapolis North-East Union, and Mrs. J. W. J. Smith, formerly president of the Campbellsburg union, who has moved

to the city. Miss Eckman reported that Marion county unions were earnestly working for subscriptions to the Union Signal. Broad Ripple union had one subscription and had secured nine new subscriptions. Three subscriptions were given to the Union Signal at this meeting and three new members paid dues.

On Sunday evening, February 16th, this union observed Frances Willard Memorial Day in Broadway Methodist Church. Mrs. Harriet W. Brand, National Treasurer, a member of the union, made an excellent and scholarly address on the "Life of Miss Willard and her Relation to the W. C. T. U." The large audience was deeply interested, at the close, Mrs. McWhirter, treasurer of the union, made a plea for membership, which was responded to by seven earnest men and women, who gave their names for membership. There was special music by the choir. The cordial hospitality of Rev. L. C. Bentley, the pastor, and by the membership, encouraged Central union to work with greater persistence.

At Louisville, Ky., the M. P. Hunt W. C. T. U. held a Willard Memorial meeting on February 16th, in the Walnut Street Baptist Church, at which there were more than one thousand people present. Mr. F. T. McWhirter, of Indianapolis, made an able address on the "Life and Characteristics of Miss Willard." At the close of which fifteen persons joined the union. Mrs. E. W. Loomis, formerly a Marion County worker organized the union with thirty-eight members. Since then she has organized an L. T. L. with thirty members and a Y with fifty members.

Hartford City—Truly the way of the transgressors are hard. The saloon keepers of Hartford and Montpelier are having a stormy time in convincing the law abiding citizens that the saloons and gambling dens are a blessing in disguise. In January two saloons were stopped by the activity of the W. C. T. U. and a remonstrance. The first Monday of February the Commissioners met and two saloon keepers made application for license. One was granted for Montpelier. The other was confronted by a committee of the W. C. T. U. ladies and their attorney Mr. B. G. Shinn, who had circulated a remonstrance against Mr. Stuart, of the Ingram hotel, but when he found out the facts that the cold water brigade were camping on his tracks he withdrew his application and the hotel will stop dispensing wet goods February 14th, but there are more and more to follow and we are ready for the fray. Two more Hartford City saloon keepers will apply for license to sell poison at the regular March term of the Commissioners' Court, but they too will meet a watery grave. Those four saloon keepers of Blackford County, who quit selling booze by request, will doubtless engage in a more honorable business.

Miss Birdella Beam of Columbus, R. F. D. No. 1, writes that Orinoca union is the only one in Bartholomew County that keeps a W. C. T. U. column in a newspaper. Orinoca union held a public meeting late in December, which was largely attended. The program consisted of an address by the president, Mrs. Ora Harlow, on the "Plans of the W. C. T. U., Recitations and Special Music." Much enthusiasm in the union and new members added.

Mrs. Harriet W. Brand, National Treasurer, was the guest of the South Bend Chapin Park Union, February 13th. Mrs. Fassuacht entertained in the afternoon for Mrs. Brand. Her beautiful, spacious home was appropriately decorated and more than two hundred ladies were present. After a short musical program Mrs. Brand spoke briefly of the work of the W. C. T. U. That evening a splendid audience greeted Mrs. Brand in the First Baptist Church. Her address was strong and greatly appreciated by the representative citizens of South Bend.

NOTICE TO UNIONS.

Please send the name and address of every saloon keeper and liquor selling druggist in your community to Mrs. J. D. Johnson. Do this immediately.

Press Reporters please send reports of meetings held and special work done to the Message the very next day so it can be read from the first issue afterwards. The reports sent to the local newspapers should contain all the detail information, but when these are published and clipped from the paper and sent to the Message they must be somewhat changed. Please write reports for the Message with the purpose of telling our two hundred and fifty local unions of the work done. The results accomplished.

IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. DELLA ALLEN, of the Sycamore Union, has been called home after a long, earnest, devoted life. The W. C. T. U. assisted in the funeral service. The county president made a very fitting and touching talk. The local and county unions gave floral tributes. The union realizes its great loss, but the memory of her works will be an inspiration to her co-workers. Her husband, two sons and an aged mother have our deepest sympathy.

SIMON MENDENHALL, an honorary member of the Sycamore W. C. T. U., died, after an illness of some weeks. He was a devoted and loyal brother. The union's loss, we realize is his gain. Though he has gone from us, his encouraging words and myrthful spirit will live on in our lives. We share the sorrow with his wife (our sister) and his children.

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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Men Should be Sent to the Next Legislature Who Will Vote for State Wide Prohibition.

The Union Signal should be read by every intelligent W. C. T. U. and Missionary Society member in Indiana.

Local presidents and other officers will find that the membership must have this National W. C. T. U. paper to do the best, most effective work.

Can you think of a real live old party man who does not have his county paper? No, the men always subscribe for and read their party papers, and besides they take their lodge, trade and professional papers.

White Ribbon women who do not read the Union Signal are more or less handicapped in their temperance work. No other class of women are expected to be so well informed upon the many phases of the great reforms of the day as are our W. C. T. U. women.

To be strong, to be courageous in their work, knowledge is absolutely necessary. To have information on the mighty progress being made in the temperance and purity reform, W. C. T. U. women should have the Union Signal. \$1.00 per year. Address Union Signal, Rest Cottage, Evans-ton, Ill.

ARCHBISHOP IRELAND SAYS:

Intemperance is doing the Holy Church harm beyond the power of pen to describe. In the past I thought there was power in moral suasion, that when the liquor sellers were shown the evil of their ways, they would abandon the traffic. But we have seen that there is no hope of improving, in shape or form, the liquor traffic. There is nothing now to be done but to wipe it out completely.

MRS. EDITH SMITH DAVIS.

(By Eva Kilbreth Foster.)

Mrs. Edith Smith Davis, in assuming the superintendency of the World's and National departments of Scientific Temperance Instruction in Public Schools and Colleges (under the auspices of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union) assumes merely the responsibility of a wider constituency. The first year of her service in this larger field of work already familiar to her has amply justified the choice of superintendent for this double office, made in 1906 by the World's and the National organizations.

Of English descent, Mrs. Davis combines the "seasoned" culture of an Old World ancestry with the progressive spirit of an American twentieth-century womanhood. She began existence on a Wisconsin farm (but a few miles from Frances Willard's childhood home), and Wisconsin's invigorating breezes have freely blown through the major years of her life.

Milton College, Lawrence University, and a post-graduate course at Wellesley College have been factors in her training for service. Upon completing her post-graduate course at Wellesley College, early in the eighties, three years were spent at Clark University as teacher. In 1882 Lawrence University conferred upon her the degree of Master of Arts, and in June, 1907, the degree of Doctor of Letters.

To the rare educational advantages enjoyed by Mrs. Davis have been added the extensive travels which have brought her into close fellowship with scholars of the Old World as well as with the foremost thinkers of America. Sent as a representative of the National W. C. T. U. from the United States to the Anti-Alcoholic Congress at Stockholm, July, 1907, she was able to acquaint herself with methods adopted by both continental and English schools looking to the advancement of Scientific Temperance Instruction among the children of Europe. Credentials of the United States Government, as well as her own official prestige, gained for her many privileges of exceptional interest and significance.

As has already been stated, the work to which Mrs. Davis was appointed by the World's and National organizations is in no sense new to her. She had been actively and creditably identified with W. C. T. U. interests in Wisconsin long before assuming the specific work of the S. T. I. department in her state. As early as 1884 she was superintendent of a Band of Hope. Later she was closely associated with Frances Willard in

the work of social purity, and still later, she held the presidency of the Milwaukee Union, which at that time included all the unions of the city.

The volumes from Mrs. Davis' pen betray its versatility, suggesting the many-sided nature of the writer. Under the title "Two" she has written a temperance story which has already passed its seventh edition.

Mrs. Davis presides with ease, grace and dignity over the home of one of Wisconsin's most distinguished divines, the Rev. Dr. I. S. Davis, of Milwaukee. Two daughters of Dr. and Mrs. Davis hold positions of responsibility suited to their literary gifts, while a third daughter and a son are still pursuing their studies in Milwaukee's high school. Mrs. Davis is actively interested in many church societies and prominently identified with the club life of the city. She is a recognized power within and without white-ribbon circles.

Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, who so long and so ably represented the work of this department, making herself felt as a mighty force abroad as well as at home, was wont to say: "Our star of Hope hangs over the schoolhouse." The interests of the "schoolhouse" (at home and abroad) bid fair to progress, not retrograde, under the intelligent and forceful leadership of Mrs. Hunt's able successor. Reinforced by a board of counsellors which includes among its names men of recognized authority in the world of science, the world of medicine, the world of philosophy and religion, Mrs. Davis hopefully and steadfastly pushes forward



MRS. TILMAN HOBSON,
Anderson Ind.,

State Superintendent of Systematic Giving.

The following tribute and original poem was given by Mrs. Hobson at Richmond, Ind., at the Frances Willard Memorial service, in the First M. E. church, where several ministers assisted:

It is fitting to the memory of the one who has passed from this busy stage of action out into the realities of eternity's golden shore, that we meet to show our appreciation of her labor, her undaunted courage and untiring devotion to the cause she loved, the suppression of intemperance, the protection of home and loved ones, and the salvation of the youth of our land from lives worse than death.

She believed it far better to build characters that would stand the storms and temptations of life than after their feet have gone down into the dark waters of vice to then reach out a helping hand and bring them back to the fold of Christ.

She lifted her warning voice in the morning of life. She went forth to do the Master's bidding ever conscious of the needs of humanity. As she neared the sunset shore she increased her energy, knowing that full soon the Master would come and claim His own.

Such a character is an inspiration to us all, helping us to realize that:

"The lives of great ones all remind us,

We can make our lives sublime,

And, departing, leave behind us,

Footprints on the sands of time."

While we meet to do honor to her memory, let us remember that it was not only works of righteousness which she did that merit praise, but the Spirit of Christ who gave her power to accomplish such noble results. We believe that Frances E. Willard was a chosen messenger sent of God to warn the lost of their condition and point them to a brighter and happier way. Let us cherish her memory, and realize that all the higher attainments of this life are gained by a constant devotion to the cause we love. The up-building of God's Kingdom upon this earth is by constant self-sacrifice on the part of His loved ones.

Her eyes beheld the great possibilities of the future, and with prophetic vision she saw in the distant horizon the Bow of Promise that victory shall come to every land. Her ears were attuned to the faintest whisper of distress. Her heart thrilled with love's tenderest sympathy to the lowest person. Her voice, that was lifted in prayer to the Almighty for the protection of home and loved ones, echoed and re-echoed the strains from angel voices as it was wafted to a sorrowing world.

Her hands gladly led in the varied conflicts of life, smoothing the pathway by her gentle touches, till those wearied with the struggle of life took fresh courage and pressed forward. Her feet were ever ready as angels of mercy to tread the gilded halls of sin to rescue a brother or sister.

These are hushed in the silent hall of death. The alabaster box of life has been broken, the fragrant ointment has been poured out, and she has gone forth clothed in robes of Christ's righteousness to rest in the eternal sunshine of God's love. Yet, still she lives; her character, grand, noble and pure, is stamped forever upon the tablets of our memories, and not till time, which beareth all things onward, brings us to our last resting place shall we forget her labors. Swing outward, ye gates of the future; lift the veil from our darkened vision, that we may behold her in the spirit world.

"And now I give the gospel of her precious life, I owe it to herself and to the world, grateful for all her tender ministry in life and death. I bring these leaves, entwined with her own roses, dewy with our tears, and lay them as a tribute of our love upon the grave that holds her sacred dust."

Sleep on, and while the birds sing sweetly above thy lone and silent tomb, other voices shall sing the songs of temperance; nor will they cease till the Flag of Prohibition waves proudly on Liberty Shore.

The uncrowned queen of our land has been taken;
Transplanted in Heaven's garden to bloom.
Rich with the perfumes of Heaven she awakened
Beyond the portals of a lonely tomb.

Clothed in the garments of an angel she ascended,
swift on white pinions she flitted away;
Joined by a band of angels in glory,
Jesus, had called, she no longer could stay.
And now on the banks of the beautiful river,
Which flows by the clear crystal fountain of God,
There with her loved ones will rest on forever,
In the home of the blest where angels have trod.

Rest on, noble sister, in death's quiet slumber;
May laurels of peace encircle thy brow.
And the robe of pure whiteness, the emblem thou lovedst,
With the bright crown of immortals adorning thee now.

Thy great soul has passed on from its mission
On earth, to a higher and holier sphere;
May we who are left take up thy loved mantle
And wear it as nobly as thou didst while here.

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All material intended for publication must be in the hands of the editor before the 15th of the month.

National W. C. T. U. Convention, Denver, Oct. 16-21.

State Executive Meeting at Lebanon, Ind., beginning 2 p. m., April 7, and continuing over the night of the 8th, 1908.

The Message Editor, Mrs. Luella McWhirter, was appointed by Governor J. Frank Hanly as a delegate to the National Congress of Mothers at Washington city.

The supply of State W. C. T. U. programs is exhausted, and there are only a few copies of the State W. C. T. U. Minutes left, the price of which is 15 cents per copy.

Clara M. Sears, Treasurer.

Drinking fountains. In many towns the W. C. T. U. has erected drinking fountains. The old town pumps are fast disappearing. In some instances, we understand, that they were removed at the behest of the liquor interests. In a few instances we are assured of the fact.

Could there be a more fitting movement to the W. C. T. U. work and workers than to erect a drinking fountain? The Union at Mitchell, South Dakota, is putting up one of unusual beauty, with electric lights at the top.

Now is the time to consider this subject. Get information; see what can be done, and plan. Erect a W. C. T. U. water fountain.

Women and boys who desire to help the cause of prohibition in Indiana and to make some money for themselves, can do it quickly and easily.

There is no surer way of persons becoming interested in definite work for prohibition than to become readers of a temperance paper.

We have the **Patriot Phalanx**, our state Prohibition party paper, and the **National Advocate**, published by the old National Temperance Society. One of these temperance papers, or both, should be in the home of every Christian man in Indiana. Now is the time to work for subscriptions. Write immediately for terms to agents to these papers and begin to solicit subscribers. The addresses are as follows: The Patriot Phalanx, 119 W. Maryland St., Indianapolis, and The National Advocate, 3 E. 14th St., New York city.

Why does the Message urge that these papers have greater circulation in Indiana? Because we know that according to a man's information upon a subject is he interested in that subject. No real sincerely-minded man can read either one of these papers from now until Jan. 1, 1909, without being actively interested in helping to urge

our legislators then to give us state-wide prohibition.

How absurd are the poster advertisements of the liquor dealers! Do they think that people of even moderate intelligence will accept such weak arguments in favor of the blighting curse of rum? The press which now accepts their bloody dollars for full page expensive advertising is being forced by public opinion to array itself more and more, editorially, against the common enemy to humanity, in every relation of life.

View the liquor traffic from whatever standpoint, its destructive results are, everywhere, so appalling that no one can be deceived by the frantic plea of brewers and distillers. Capital is diverted from other industries, which would employ six times as many people in the factories and three times as much value in raw material. Moreover, the employees would produce useful commodities, which would find a growing market in a million homes now poverty stricken and diseased on account of the saloon.

Less than a generation under prohibition would demand the output of a million more wage earners than are now required, and the land would blossom as a rose with nature's products to be used for the uplift of the home. Year by year the transformation would make glad the desolate places.

Local option, at best, can be only a temporary relief from the ravages of the liquor traffic. It is just as logical to consider burglary settled by local restraint with license in other localities, as to claim that local option can be a satisfactory remedy for outlawing the liquor traffic. Nothing short of state-wide, nation-wide prohibition can be effective. The constant annoyances and inroads of the liquor dealer will harass local option communities, counties and states until the final victory establishes universal prohibition. Local option is preferable to remonstrance, as is to a sensitive person sweitzer cheese to a rotten egg; but neither has the proper flavor. We can not temporize or compromise with the liquor problem and be at peace.

Do not be deceived by the claim that liquor men prefer local option to the remonstrance plan. They do not, but if their friends can divert the attention of the people and divide the sentiment, high license will be made possible. The Indianapolis News and other papers opposed to prohibition will push high license in the interest of their advertising patronage and other patronage of the liquor traffic, and this can not be done effectively unless the temperance people are divided. Let us stand united for prohibition, state-wide, and accept local option only as a last resort.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

For more than thirty years the friends of the Lord's Day, all over the world, have set apart the week beginning with the Sabbath following Easter Sunday as a week of prayer, for the preservation of the sanctity of the Sabbath. Let us this year endeavor, if possible, to enlist more churches and more people than ever before. There is no more important week engaging the attention of the Christian, today, than that which we are called upon to do in this department. God's cause will be honored and the Christian life benefitted, if we specially consecrate ourselves to this week of service.

At all times let us use our whole influence against Sunday excursions and Sunday travel, the Sunday newspaper, Sunday visiting, Sunday amusements of all kinds, the Sunday use of the postoffice, and especially the careful training of our families. It is our little children who are making society, and who will soon be on the highway of life. The next generation lies like plastic clay in our hands. We should make good use of the opportunity to instill into the child's heart these Sabbath influences.

During the **special week of prayer** let us secure the united co-operation of the young people's societies and the churches with the W. C. T. U. in holding noon-hour services. A church centrally located should be used. Get the best singers and speakers in your city to help in the meetings. Nothing is too good for the W. C. T. U. At South Bend last year we had the co-operation of over thirty young people's societies, also the Y. M. C. A., the Ministerial Association and other organizations. We will endeavor to do as well if not better this year.

The public must be educated, and we must do this primarily by means of Sabbath leaflets, which every local union is requested to distribute through the community; also through sermons, which are requested at intervals from all pastors; by use of special exercises in Sabbath schools and Loyal Legions; by lectures and public meetings; by publishing state Sabbath laws; by free use of the newspaper press, and let us not forget the assembling of ourselves together for prayer and consecration in behalf of the Christian Sabbath.

Your comrade in service,
Kathryn Wert Holler,
State and Associate Nat. Supt. Sabbath Observance, South Bend.

Every local union in the state should observe the April week of prayer.

Have Sabbath Pledge signing in Sabbath schools and L. T. Ls Sunday, April 26th.

"Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy."

"Sunday is the golden clasp that binds the volume of the week."

"Preserve the Sabbath fully and you cripple the saloon greatly."

"The saloon is the school where Sabbath desecration is taught."—Dr. James Brand.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR THE SABBATH.

April 26th to May 3d will be observed as the annual world's week of prayer for a better observance of the Christian Sabbath.

Call to Prayer leaflets, especially adapted for sending to ministers and various organizations are now ready, and can be secured from Mrs. V. F. Cox, Vienna, N. J., at 10 cents per 100 leaflets. Kathryn Wert Holler, State Supt.

MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

One half of this year is gone. What have we done for our department? What are we doing, and what, by the help of the Holy Spirit, will we do in the remaining six months? I have sent my plan of work, with some good literature, to every superintendent whose address I could get through the state directory and otherwise. There are a few counties among the fifty in the state directory that have not reported a Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings. Henry, Jennings, Johnson, Knox, Kosciusko and Wells. Will not every County President see that there is a County Superintendent of this department, and every County Superintendent see that there is a Local Superintendent in every Union? I hope no county will fail in this very important department. We are out for great victories this year. The fight is on, and we will win if we are true soldiers. The bravest soldier and the truest trainer is the mother in the home. God bless the mother! What I want now is to remind you, dear mothers, of the importance of improving the present time as the days are going by, and keeping a record of all work done and reporting at the proper time. There will be three banners awarded at the National in this department. Will you help your state win one or more of these banners? The first banner will go to the state securing the largest percentage of local reports with the ten answers definitely given. Second to the state holding the largest percentage of mothers' meetings. Third to the state securing the largest percentage of white ribbon recruits. We can win some of these banners if we will, and while winning banners we can do what is better, be sowing seed and winning souls. I will, at state convention, give a book to the local superintendent who holds the most mothers' meetings, and one to the superintendent of the white ribbon recruit who reports the greatest number of children enrolled.

Yours for service, Mrs. S. M. Stahl.
Hartford City.

At Washington our W. C. T. U. headquarters is a busy place. Our National Superintendent of Legislation, Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis, is in charge. We owe much to her energy, tact and persistency in seeking and securing information concerning temperance legislative matters and sending out this information to our constituency through the Union Signal.

The liquor men have for many years had headquarters in Washington, our nation's capitol, with heavily paid attorneys to watch all legislation injurious to their business, with an ex-United States Senator as leader with a salary of \$15,000 per year.

Under such circumstances they have succeeded in keeping from vote or passage any measure that hurt their business. They know full well that so long as the Government can be kept issuing internal revenue liquor licenses that it will help to nullify state prohibitory laws.

The interstate commerce law now permits the shipment of liquor into states and counties where prohibitory laws are in force. These shipments made and received in original packages not sold by the drink.

Think of our Government permitting such a nefarious business. And now great effort is being made by the best element of citizens of the whole United States to get Congress to pass the Littlefield bill to prohibit the sending of liquors by express, mail or otherwise into prohibition territory. The liquor men have great political power, and for many years have succeeded in keeping such a bill from passing Congress. They may succeed again this time.

Great interest is manifested by all temperance and liquor forces in the outcome of this bill.

Our national officers are now at Washington, busy with things of vital interest. Ex-Senator and Mrs. John B. Henderson are total abstainers and earnest advocates of prohibition. They recently gave a luncheon at Boundary Castle, their Washington home, in honor of our beloved national officers, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, Miss Anna Gordon and Mrs. Hoge. With them were invited Miss Elizabeth Gordon and Mrs. Clinton Smith, President of the District of Columbia W. C. T. U.

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FOR INDIANA W. C. T. U.

7,000 MEMBERS 1908.
1,500 SUBSCRIBERS TO UNION
SIGNAL.
1,000 SCHOOL TEACHERS TAKING
CRUSADER MONTHLY.

THE HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL SUIT.

Dear Sisters:

Since the appearance in the Indianapolis papers of the account of suit filed by Martha J. Hadley against the Hadley Industrial School for clear title to the farms deeded by her and Addison Hadley to the school, many letters of inquiry have come to me and other members of the Board of Trustees from the women over the state asking the exact condition of affairs.

Aunt Martha Hadley knew nothing of the fact that the suit was filed against the W. C. T. U. and the school, and says she authorized no one to file suit against us. It has arisen from other sources. She spent Christmas with the children in the school, and expressed her delight at the condition in which she found things. She also expressed her satisfaction to the trustees who visited her a few days since. She is grieved that this has arisen, and expressed her desire to have the whole thing withdrawn from court. If it is not withdrawn it will be no fault of her's. Our affairs are in the hands of our attorneys, Wiley & Jones, and you need not fear the outcome I am sure. I trust you will send your donations speedily, as the receipts have greatly fallen off since the suit was filed, and things are going on at the school the same as formerly, and so we must have the funds to meet expenses. The income should be greater than ever as this suit means added expense. I am sure you will relieve the situation by sending your donations without delay. Pray that the Lord may overrule the designs of evil men for His glory and the good of the cause. I promise to serve you to the best of my knowledge.

Yours sincerely,

Culla J. Vayhinger.

TO UNIONS.

Please forward your donations and gifts for the Hadley Industrial School to the Treasurer, Miss Clara M. Sears, 222 W. 14th St., Anderson, Ind. Help at this time will be much appreciated.

Will Mrs. J. D. Johnson please give her address, as a request appeared in March Message, asking for the names of law violators, saloon keepers and liquor-selling druggists. The women do not know where to address the lady.

FIELD NEWS

The North Vernon W. C. T. U. has a membership of sixty ladies and several associate members. We hold regular meetings every two weeks, on Tuesday. Every other meeting is a public meeting in one of our churches, with a specially arranged program. These meetings are attended by our members as well as others. On Feb. 25th the Union gave a reception in honor of the fifteen ladies who had recently come into the Union. This was held at the home of Mrs. J. H. Powell, and each W. C. T. U. lady brought her husband as a guest. A very nice program was given, and a delicate lunch served, which made the evening quite a success socially and won friends for our Union. Mrs. Rose Pearce has just closed a temperance institute, which was held two days. This was a great uplift for the workers in the Union, as well as an education along temperance and reform questions for many who attended the sessions. Several most excellent addresses were given by the pastors of the city, and a very interesting talk was given by Mr. Matthews, a lawyer, on the subject: "The Saloon License, Unconstitutional and Unscriptural." Also Professor Weedman, superintendent of our public schools, gave an excellent address about "The Effect of the Cigarette Habit on the Growing Boy." We felt regret when the institute closed and we had to bid Mrs. Pearce good-bye and God speed. She, with her pleasant, winning way, had, in the two days she was in our city, grown very near to us. She is a splendid institute worker, and we, as a Union, felt that we had been specially blessed in having her with us. The W. C. T. U. of our city has done much to mold temperance sentiment by our work, keeping the cause ever before "the people," feeling sure that victories will be won. "Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit," saith the Lord of hosts.

Balbec—On March 4th a very good Willard Memorial service was held at the home of the President, Mrs. Edmundson. The rooms were decorated appropriately with pictures taken from the Union Signal. Also a large framed picture of Miss Willard was draped in white. Mrs. S. W. Haynes and Mrs. Fred Stovenour, our County President and Treasurer were present. Also Mrs. Sarah Mason, President of the Pennville Union.

The Balbec Union is conducting a "Red and Blue" membership contest, and one new member was secured for each side. At the close of the meeting Mrs. Edmundson invited the ladies to the dining room to partake of what she modestly termed "a little lunch," but proved to be a full meal served in courses. A vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Edmundson, who had certainly spared no efforts to make the meeting a success.

Eva D. Hunt.

Salem—On Sunday evening, beginning at 7:00, the Salem W. C. T. U. held a very entertaining and uplifting Willard Memorial meeting at the M. E. church. Four of our pastors dismissed their respective congregations for the occasion and participated very helpfully in the service. Notwithstanding the unfavorable weather the house was well filled with an appreciative audience, which later was evidenced by their close attention and liberal contribution for the extension of our work. The editors of our two new papers, the Salem Democrat and the Republican Leader, honored the meeting with their presence, and gave a writeup of it in their respective papers as being excellent. The W. C. T. U. highly appreciate the inestimable help of these editors in our work, graciously according us free space in their columns in the interest of our cause, and, furthermore, they deserve, and doubtless have, the gratitude of all rightminded persons, especially of all parents, for their decided stand along reform lines and for furnishing such clean, high-toned newspapers, so well fitted for the family circle. Our County President, Mrs. Fanny B. Ellis, has been quite ill for a few weeks, but is recovering now, though not yet able to get out from home, so she has called the County Executive to meet with her to arrange for our County Institute, which is to be held at Campbellsburg, May 7, 8, 10.

Mary N. Overman, Local Supt. Press.

Terre Haute—W. C. T. U. for the second quarter made 123 sick calls, 79 social calls made, 94 dainties given to sick, 13,956 pages of literature distributed, 129 Scripture text cards used, \$10.90 in money used, 4 cans of fruit given, had an attendance of 34 at meetings, 113 bouquets given, have held regular meetings and have held two mass meetings for the Red Letter Days, have observed Crusade Day, Dec. 23; birthday of Madam Willard, Jan. 3; Frances E. Willard's Heavenly Birthday, Feb. 17; Union Signal Day, March 1; will observe Neal Dow Day at our next meeting. Ever in line with the work. Mrs. J. F. Curry, President Terre Haute W. C. T. U., 1323 Ash St. The Indianapolis Meridian W. C. T. U. met Feb. 12th with Mrs. Wolf, 1906 Broadway. Mrs. Sherwood, State and County Superintendent of Purity in Literature and Art, gave startling facts that research in her department revealed. She also gave practical methods of carrying on the work of this department. Mrs. W. J. Becket read a carefully prepared and profitable paper on prohibition. A member suggested Mrs. Becket's paper would be very desirable to use on "Temperance Day" in missionary societies. We hope our penny strips will eventually yield us "a mile of pennies" with which to enlarge our work.

Allen County, Benton Union—Frances Willard Memorial meeting was held Feb. 11th at the pleasant home of Mrs. Fannie Edwards. Several were present besides our own noble women, some of whom came in several miles from their country homes, 34 ladies being present, which was a large attendance, considering the sickness that is prevalent. Our state programs were followed, and four interesting papers read. The music was appropriate and helpful. Altogether an excellent meeting. A thank offering was taken.

Westfield W. C. T. U.—Our Union is alive to the issues of the day. Although we have no saloons in our town or vicinity, yet we realize that there is much to be done by the Union as a whole. We have taken a more decided stand for Sabbath observance in our town. We held a memorial to Frances E. Willard. We are proud of the woman who stood so nobly for a great reform.

Mrs. Ella Briles.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley held two successful meetings under the auspices of Perkinsville, Madison County, W. C. T. U., on Saturday night and Sunday morning in the M. E. church, Perkinsville. On Saturday night she gave the reading: "At the Mercy of the State." On Sunday morning she secured fourteen new members and three honorary members for the Union. On Sunday night she gave an address, "The Coming Victory," in Lapel M. E. church, and although the rain descended in torrents a good sized audience greeted her, and the boys' band of eleven pieces was present to furnish music. Her address was fine. Mrs. Stanley is one of our best and most inspiring speakers.

Edith V. Cascadden.

The Boy Magazine is one the children will enjoy, but it is intended also for parents, philanthropists, teachers and all interested in the moral and civic betterment of boys and girls. Price, 50c per annum. In clubs of four, 25c per annum. Send 5c for sample copy of the Boy Magazine. Room 1119 Woman's Temple, Chicago.

Seymour W. C. T. U. Jan. 22d held a meeting with Mrs. Sawyer. Subject: "Cigarette-Tobacco Habit." Paper by Mrs. R. R. Short. Solo, Miss Sawyer. "How do Christian People, in an Indirect Way, Help Perpetuate the Liquor Traffic?" Mrs. M. Carpenter. Solo, Mrs. Hadley. A good attendance. Mrs. Short's very able paper much appreciated.

A Great Victory for Madison—The W. C. T. U. of Madison are jubilant over the fact that we have put one saloon out of business, and the good work is just begun. Our brave County President, Mrs. George Augustine, filed the complaint that led to the revoking of the license. Our local W. C. T. U. is "now days" attending trials and we are proud to show the liquor men where we stand. Our men have their fighting harness on now and are petitioning the City Council to make the entire city residence district dry, except about two wards. We believe we will succeed, for we have a Council that we are proud of and the bravest mayor in the state of Indiana. If we succeed this will shut out about ten saloons. You will hear from us again soon, for Madison W. C. T. U. is working as it never worked before. "Our God is Leading On."

Mrs. G. E. Denny, Local President.

Allen County—The Silver Medal contest at Dixon, Ohio, Jan. 18th, by Boston W. C. T. U., was well attended by the people of that vicinity as well as many from Monroeville, one car being well filled with Monroevillites. The class did well. Medal awarded to Miss Gladys Heckler, of Jackson township. The prohibition songs by the male quartet were enthusiastically received, as was also the solo by Miss Eva Edwards, and recitation by Mrs. Mary Miller. This is the third time we have taken a class to Dixon, and have always been asked "to come again." This little town is on the Ohio state line. Also on our street car line; a ten minutes' ride from Monroeville. This contest was under the management of Mrs. F. Barnhart, contest superintendent of Allen county. The judges were Mrs. Vogle and Dr. J. C. Cowan, of Monroeville, and Mr. Stephenson, of Hoagland.

Poseyville W. C. T. U. held their annual Frances E. Willard Memorial service Feb. 16th, at 7:15, in the M. E. church, with a large attendance and a neat program. Music by choir and orchestra. A paper on the life of Miss Willard was read by Mrs. Doctor Boren. A fine address was given by Reverend W. B. Farmer, Methodist minister. We received a very liberal offering, of which \$2 was sent to the Memorial fund. We hope to bring Posey county to a higher standard in the temperance work this year. Yours for God and Home and Native Land, Mrs. Dan Rogers, County and Local President, Poseyville.

Marion County—At the February meeting of the Marion County W. C. T. U. Executive Committee a communication was read from Mrs. Margaret Dye-Ellis requesting letters to be sent to our Congressman, Hon. John H. Foster, asking him to use his influence and vote for any legislation that will procure prohibition of the liquor traffic in the District of Columbia. Mrs. Gipe, the County President, urged the women to give this immediate attention. It is desired that men and societies in general, as well as women, write to Mr. Foster. It was decided to petition the State Fair Board not to keep the fair open on Sunday, as has been suggested by this board. In a public meeting of the German Federated Societies it was voted to withhold support from all candidates for office who would be in favor of any legislation restricting personal liberty. The Marion County Ministerial Association is asked by the Executive to urge the united effort of all the churches in the city to counterbalance such action. Mr. Swartz Mustard, of Broad Ripple, Ind., has done a gracious act in giving a large, pleasant room in the Masonic building, erected by him, to be used as permanent headquarters and home for the Broad Ripple W. C. T. U. This room is heated and lighted free of charge. Mrs. Susie Miller, County Superintendent Railroad Employees' Department, secured permission to place literature in the Terminal Station and in the railroad men's reading room at the Union Station. A year's subscription to the Patroit Phalanx has been sent to the reading room.

Ella D. Oakes.

The Danville W. C. T. U. held a Frances Willard Memorial service Feb. 26th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nicewander, in Clinton St. An interesting program was given, consisting of the reading of The Crusade, psalm and hymn, with prayer by Miss Lina Hinks. Paper on the "Life and Works of Frances Willard," by Mrs. Margaret Mills, using the closing service as arranged by Miss Willard in the "White Ribbon Hymnal," including the song, "Blest be the Tie." Our Union has taken up the membership contest plan, with the president and vice-president as captains, and it is hoped that much good will come out of the effort.

Bremen Dry—By remonstrance the following saloon men will go out of business when their licenses expire: Mechel, March 7; Lightner, June 3; Walter, June 6; Matz, August 7; Otto Walter, October 7; Hoople, December 7. This is the work of the W. C. T. U. and the Law and Order League. The W. C. T. U., by agitation and education, makes this possible.

Mapleton W. C. T. U. held a splendid evening meeting Feb. 11, '08, at the home of Mrs. Thomas McClintock. The Rev. Orcott delivered the opening address and certainly sounded a key note for the cause the organization represents. His address was ably followed by Mrs. Stanley, our State officer, who tarried with us en route home from work in the South. She presented not a few of the unequal situations and begged for a

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reason for a revenue on souls—of course, no one could adjust reasons. Mr. Will J. Condrey and E. Baker assisted by Mrs. Leo Ennis and Miss Ennis rendered quartets, and a ladies' quartet delighted all present with their melodies. The hostess served most tempting and delightful refreshments, and all retired to their homes feeling blest and profitably entertained.

Connersville W. C. T. U. pledged \$500 at a recent meeting to be used in temperance work in that city. We hope that the result of this work may be to lessen saloon power in Connersville and to greatly strengthen the sentiment against the pernicious, evil-born license system.

The following small leaflets, in bold, good type may be had for postage only, by sending to Miss M. C. Metzger, 1530 Washington St., St. Louis, Mo.:

PHYSICIANS ON ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.
THINGS THAT A YOUNG MAN SHOULD KNOW.

THE CHURCH, THE SABBATH SCHOOL
AND THE SALOON.

WHY SALOONS MUST GO.

PHYSICIANS AND BUSINESS MEN ON
TOBACCO.

Write to Miss Metzger and enclose 6 or 8 cents in stamps for some of each of the above leaflets.

The National Temperance Society, 3 East Fourteenth St., New York city, sends out much excellent temperance literature. Write for samples. The following is a list of some new leaflets: *Dehli and Walton*, especially for towns of less than 5,000 people. *Fargo and Moorhead*, two cities on opposite sides of the river; one in Prohibition N. Dakota, the other in High License Union. *Beer and the Body*, probably the most convincing document in the English language against the use of beer. How High License Works in Massachusetts, should be read.

Bloomington—Organized effort of the women of Monroe county against intemperance was stimulated at the executive session of the County W. C. T. U. at the home of Mrs. Henry Russell in this city. Mrs. Hoadley and Mrs. Litten, representing the Stinesville Union, reported indictments against druggists in that place and a general cleaning out of intemperance and law violation in that erstwhile "oasis." Violation of the law was reported by the Bloomington Union, and plans were discussed to bring all such violators to justice. A grand Gold Medal contest will be given in the near future by representatives from the Stinesville, Spencer and Bloomington Unions. The date of the contest will be announced later. It is urged that all who have at heart the temperance cause will encourage the speakers by their presence. County President Mrs. Siebenthal is looking after the arrangements for the contest, which promises to be one of the best ever held here.—Bloomington Daily Telegram.

The Mapleton W. C. T. U. very appropriately celebrated the Heavenly Birthday of our dauntless leader, Frances E. Willard, in the M. E. church, on Sunday evening, Feb 2d, by recollections from her life and that of her family delightfully related by Mrs. Frances Boyer, President of Indianapolis Central Union, and an address by Mrs. Luella McWhirter, who appeared in her usual magnetic and forceful way, faithfully presenting her subject. There was a good audience, a good collection and two members received.

Mrs. Annette I. Kistler,
3721 North Capitol Ave.

The Benton County Woman's Christian Temperance Union held their annual spring institute at the Methodist church in Boswell, Wednesday and Thursday, March 4 and 5, Mrs. Amanda Smith, County President, of Oxford, presiding. The church was beautifully decorated with blooming plants and cut flowers, also a large picture of Miss Willard. Oxford Union was represented by Mesdames Amanda Smith, Lillian Petree and Edward Morris. Otterbein by Mrs. Nettie Maddox, Rev. Stein, of Oxford; Rev. Jenkins, of Ambia, and Revs. Rogers, Leonard and Chamberlain, of Boswell, represented the church. Each gave an interesting talk at different times during the institute. The state officers and superintendents were Mrs. Nettie Maddox, State Parliamentarian, who gave a splendid drill Thursday morning. Mrs. Lillian Petree, State Superintendent of Social Meetings and Red Letter Days, also gave an interesting talk on the work of her department. The leader of the institute was Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, of Liberty, State Vice-President. Interesting and helpful talks were given by Mrs. Stanley both days, and on Wednesday evening she gave the beautiful reading, "At the Mercy of the State." A large audience listened to this beautiful story. On Thursday evening she gave an interesting and instructive lecture on "Christian Citizenship," which closed the institute. Other talks and papers were given by members of the Union and "Parliamentary Usage," "Scientific Temperance," and "Enfranchisement of Women," were the main departments dwelt upon. Every session was largely attended, and all were encouraged and benefitted by the institute.

Ray, Ind.—A great social event was an open meeting of the W. C. T. U. at the home of Clyde McNaughton and wife on Monday evening, Feb. 17, in memory of Miss Frances Willard's Heavenly Birthday. The house was prettily decorated with yellow and white bunting. Music was furnished by some members of the L. T. L. and

other young people, with Mrs. Ella McNaughton presiding at the organ. A paper on the life of Frances Willard was read by Mrs. Anna Reynolds. Some temperance notes were given by Mrs. Lida Duguid. A stirring address was delivered by the President, Mrs. Mary McTaggart. A strong appeal to the pocketbook for funds to carry on the great temperance work was made by the treasurer, Mrs. Elnora McNaughton. A collection amounting to \$7 was received, and six new members were added to the list. About 65 persons were present, who pronounced the evening's entertainment a great success. Light refreshments were served.

Mrs. Mary McTaggart, President.

Mrs. Jennie French, Cor. Sec'y.

The Liberty Center W. C. T. U. is doing much good work and is steadily growing in numbers. Liberty Center being a town of about 500 inhabitants, there is not the work that the city sisters have. The town has no saloons, as the were put out of business by remonstrance about five years ago, and there has been none since, with the exception of a "blind pig," to which some one administered a substantial dose of dynamite, and Mr. Hog hunted new pastures. The Union, however, is showing up finely in the flower mission work, contests and public meetings. The last public meeting was held Feb. 17th, being in memoriam of Frances E. Willard. The Union at that time presented a beautiful portrait of Miss Willard to the schools. "Her Student Life," was presented by Miss Sadie Park; "Her Religious Life," by Miss Dessie Seaman; "Her Qualifications as a Leader," by Rev. Holmes; "Christian Citizenship," by Mr. James Lewis. Music was furnished by a male quartet. A large crowd was present and the entire program was well received. The Union is now having a membership contest, which is hoped will greatly build up the Union and widen its influence. The last regular session was held March 3d, at the home of ex-President Fannie Garrett. Three new members were received, being Jane Thrailkill, Ethel Dean and Etta Reece. At that time Mrs. Minnie Kasler resigned her position as corresponding secretary and Etta Reece was substituted. The next regular meeting will be at Lulu McElhaney's, April 7.

Mrs. Anna Lowdermilk,

Press Reporter.

W. C. T. U. of College Corner met at the home of Mrs. Henry Baker Wednesday afternoon, March 4th. An interesting program was given. Sixteen members and four visitors attended. Before the meeting closed a new member was added to the roll call. At the close of the meeting the ladies called on a lady that is near death's door and gave her a beautiful hyacinthus and card of sympathy. The Folwer Mission Superintendent presented her with flowers. The Union is doing all they can for those around them.

Decatur County; Greensburg W. C. T. U.—The second meeting on the program for the new year was an evening meeting, and was held at the pleasant home of one of our new members, Mrs. A. D. Galbraith. There was a large attendance of members and guests, about sixty in all, and an entertaining and instructive program was carried out. The subject, "How to Secure Better Co-operation of S. S. Workers," was ably discussed by several superintendents and teachers who were present. The preceding meeting had been a Madam Willard Birthday program, and was in the nature of a mothers' meeting. On Feb. 16th our Union held Frances Willard Memorial services in the First M. E. church, and it was gratifying, indeed, to see many there who were never interested in a temperance meeting before. An excellent program was rendered for the occasion. Our Union is steadily growing in interest and membership, many new members being gained from time to time. We are glad that it is not popular at this present time to encourage the saloon. Many of our ministers are really awakening to the fact, and are making it known. I send you this much to tell you we are active and are doing what we can.

Cordially yours, Mrs. Lillie D. McKim,
Press Supt. Greensburg W. C. T. U.

Notice to Unions—I desire to send letters to every saloon keeper in the state. Will you please send me all the names and addresses of saloon keepers within your town and community? Your sister in Christ and for the overthrow of the liquor traffic. Address Mrs. J. D. Johnson, Pennville, Ind.

Frankfort Union has put nine saloon keepers out of business by remonstrance, and not feeling satisfied with that, we decided to remonstrate against the business as a whole in Frankfort and Center township. When we started we did not know just where the money and help was to come from, but our trust was in God, and we had both given us freely. All the ministers entered into the war (for it was a war), preaching sermons, holding mass meetings and working with untiring zeal for signatures. And our brothers-in-law, the Prohibitionists—we could not have won if it had not been for their help. And many whom we never asked to help, came and asked for cards and volunteered their services. But it was not all smooth sailing. The liquor dealers flooded the city with false statements and secured 368 withdrawal cards, bought them with whiskey and money, and when they were filed there were only 48 legal, many having signed

withdrawal cards who did not sign our remonstrance cards. We went into the Commissioners' Court with a good majority in each ward. We had employed two attorneys and the liquor dealers employed two, also. There were three applicants for license; two of them withdrew, and after a day and a half's fight the Commissioners made a ruling upholding the remonstrance. From this ruling the one applicant took an appeal to the Circuit Court and the case will be fought out there. In the meantime the remonstrance will be in effect in the entire city. The temperance forces feel it a great victory, and are looking forward to next February when our city will be dry. Our Union has entered a contest for new members. The members have been divided equally with Mrs. J. C. Jennings and Mrs. Caroline Scripture captains. We observed Miss Willard's Heavenly Birthday at the home of Mrs. T. N. Lucas. A fine program was rendered, and notwithstanding the fact that Mrs. Lucas' home is one of the largest in the city, her parlors were crowded, and five active and one honorary members were received.

Mrs. Emma Saylor, Press Supt.

Jay County again heard from. Portland to the front. Wednesday evening, Feb. 27, the Union held a Willard Memorial service at the home of Mrs. Charles Ewey. Each lady was accompanied by her husband or a friend. The following program was rendered: Song, "Nearer My God to Thee;" Scripture lesson, Mrs. Stewart; prayer, Mrs. Gertrude Fulton; cornet solo, "I'm a Pilgrim," Chester Yount; responsive reading; "Miss Willard's Childhood," Mauree Louday; solo, "Mother's Bow of Ribbons White," Ether Hood; "Frances E. Willard," a tribute, Mrs. J. L. Johnson; cornet solo, Chester Yount; song, "How Firm a Foundation?" closing prayer, Dr. Line. The first contest for new members closed at this time and the new members were received into the Union by Mrs. Fulton; the blue ribbon side winning. Fourteen members were received. At the close of the program refreshments were served. In January the Jay County Executive Committee met with the Superintendent of Departments in an all-day meeting at the Presbyterian church. The department work was discussed and instructions were given to superintendents in their work. Seven unions were represented and an interesting session was held. The ladies of the local union prepared an excellent dinner and served about fifty ladies in the dining room of the church. Mauree Louday, Local Supt.

Clinton County held a Press Rally in the M. E. church, Mulberry, March 4th. The meeting was presided over by the County Press Superintendent, who also read an interesting paper on "The Influence of the Press." The White Ribbon Choir of Mulberry furnished the music. Mrs. Walters, Press Superintendent of the Rossville Union, read a paper on "The Duties and Difficulties of a Press Superintendent." Mr. Clark, editor of the Mulberry Reporter, and Mr. Staley, reporter for the Morning Times, Frankfort, each gave encouraging talks on the department. Mrs. Brinkhoff, County President, and Mrs. Saylor, State Superintendent of the Press Department, impressed the importance of the press department on the local unions. The meeting was very enthusiastic. A large audience was present, and the County Superintendent felt encouraged by the presence of a large number of men. The decorations were of newspapers and flowers.

Mrs. Ella Kyger, County Supt.

IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. MARION LOCKWOOD, of the Pleasant Lake Union, has been called home after a long, earnest, devoted life. She held the office of County Corresponding Secretary for several years. The local and county unions gave floral tributes. The Union realizes its great loss. Her daughter and son have our deepest sympathy.

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In Session at Washington, D. C.

March 16, 1908.

Acting upon the conviction that in motherhood rests the greatest power for the moral and physical regeneration of the race, as well as the keenest appreciation of its need, the undersigned respectfully present this memorial to the International Congress of Mothers:

Whereas, Throughout the nominally civilized world there is being perpetuated, by the almost universal acceptance of the double standard of morals, a great crime against posterity, and

Whereas, Childhood is thereby condemned to false and vicious teaching and consequent temptations to impurity, and

Whereas, Public prostitution is permitted by authorities and largely ignored and condoned by public sentiment, and

Whereas, Womanhood is sacrificed and enslaved, manhood brutalized, and all the hideous moral and physical consequences of sin are fastened more firmly upon mankind, and

Whereas, While the public brothel remains a recognized institution, the sons and daughters of many mothers must be debauched to supply and feed it, therefore,

WE DO CALL UPON THE MOTHERS OF THE WORLD, in the interests of righteousness, humanity and decency, for the sake of the moral, intellectual and physical welfare of the race, to unite in demanding the single standard of moral purity, and the elimination of the brothel; and to expect and demand for the generations to come the heritage of an unstained fatherhood.

Zed Hetzel Copp,
Chief Probation Office Juvenile Court, District of Columbia.

Milo Winn Munson,
George L. Chandler,
Members Christian Endeavor Patriots' League.

MIDYEAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Executive Committee met April 7 and 8, 1908, in the Central Christian church, Lebanon, at 2 p. m., with President Vayhinger in the chair. After the devotions the Secretary called the roll, and twenty-four members responded by giving the loss or gain in membership in counties. Twenty-two counties reported a gain.

Miss Sears read a report for the first six months of the year, which showed that dues had been paid for 3091 members, as against 2220 last year, thus giving a gain for the six months of 871.

Miss Woodard reports 15 new Unions since the State Convention, and the outlook for the work most encouraging all over the State.

The services of Miss Anna Robbins, a national organizer, have been secured for three months, commencing June 7th. County Presidents were urged to write Miss Woodard at once for dates.

Mrs. Hadley-Hall asked to be released from her appointment as a State organizer, giving as her reason pressure of other W. C. T. U. work. Her request was granted, and Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson was appointed to fill out the unexpired term of Mrs. Hall.

Mrs. Vayhinger spoke of the great need of a much larger subscription list for Union Signal and Crusader Monthly, for Indiana, and asked the County Presidents to work for same in the local Unions of their various counties.

The management of Winona having granted the W. C. T. U. of Indiana July 15th of Temperance Week, plans have been made for a grand Diamond Medal contest. A meeting to present the departments, which will be presided over by Mrs. Hattie Brand, National Treasurer, and a lecture by a National Lecturer. The membership is urged to make an effort to attend in large numbers.

It was decided to have a new State Banner, also pennants for the departments, these pennants to be given as prizes by the State Superintendent for the best report by County Superintendents of the various departments. County Presidents were also asked to use their influence and do their best to come to State Convention with County Banners from all the counties.

On motion, it was decided that the pennants should be secured in time for the meeting at Winona on July 15th.

An invitation to hold State Convention for 1908 at Bedford was read and accepted.

In view of the fact that the National Convention will this year be held two weeks earlier than usual, a motion prevailed that Indiana State Convention meet October 1st to October 6th. State Executive will meet on Thursday, October 1st, at 2 p. m. at Bedford. Convention will open Friday morning, October 2d.

The State will this year offer a banner to the county having the largest subscription list to the Union Signal in proportion to its membership, the State Treasurer's books to be the basis of membership, and the Union Signal galley sheet the basis of subscription list.

Moved and seconded, that each county have cards printed bearing the name of county, its gain in membership and number of saloons put out during the year. These cards to be taken to State Convention and placed in the church. Motion prevailed.

The State will this year offer a banner to the county having the largest per cent. gain in membership, also for the local making the largest gain.

On motion, a committee was appointed to make a financial plan to meet the expenses of the National Delegates, and to report before the close of this session. Committee: Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Fulton and Miss Sears.

Moved and seconded, that as State Convention is one week earlier than usual, the advance sheets of the State Superintendents be in the hands of the printer by September 17th. Motion prevailed. Mrs. Fulton, Secretary of Board of Superintendents, was asked to notify Superintendents of this, and also ask them to change dates on blanks sent out to local unions.

Mrs. Hall reported plan for expense of National Delegates as follows: "Each member is asked to pay ten cents toward this fund. County Presidents to ask that same be sent to State Treasurer before State Convention." After discussion the motion prevailed, and the State President was asked to write to County Presidents explaining plan fully.

On Tuesday night, April 6th, a Diamond Medal contest was held in the church, under the direction of Mrs. Julia Overman, State Superintendent of contest work. On Wednesday a large audience was delighted with the debate on "Woman's Suffrage." The affirmative was taken by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley and Mrs. Judge Artman, and the negative by Miss Mary E. Woodard and Mrs. Retta Jones. Following the debate, Mrs. Hattie Brand, National Treasurer, made a short address.

Rose Pearce,
State Recording Secretary.

PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

Dear Comrades of Peace:

We are not doing nearly all that needs doing in our department, and I can but acknowledge that much of the fault lies at the door of your leader. Forgive me this, and now let us quicken our pace, and, as far as we may, redeem the time. The 18th of May is Hague Peace Day. I wish it might be commemorated in every county in Indiana. This may be done, first, by public school exercises, where teachers agree to it; second, by public or social meeting, held by W. C. T. U.; third, by sermon or by Christian Endeavor meeting, or both, held on the 17th (Sunday) of May. Will not County Presidents or County or Local Superintendents of Peace and Arbitration make an earnest effort to observe this day of peace in some way? If the meeting can not be arranged for the 18th of May, or very near that, work it up for the earliest date you can command. I am sending programs for meetings to every county in the State. Let me hear from you that they bring in large returns.

Yours Loyal, though late,
H. Lavinia Bailly,
Supt. Dept. Peace and Arbitration.

TEMPERANCE LITERATURE.

I trust it is the earnest desire and prayer of each Superintendent of Literature, whether county or local, that the work done this year may surpass anything accomplished in the past.

I have sent out forty-four blanks and plans of work, have written the Corresponding Secretaries of the remaining counties, who did not have Literature Superintendents.

Some have responded nicely. I am anxious to hear from every county in our State.

Will you please write me, that I may send you blanks and plan?

Why not each Union strive to have one-fourth, at least, of your membership subscribers to the Union Signal. Every White Ribboner so much needs to read this weekly letter. Are you helping to bring up the Union Signal subscription list to 1,500? Also, helping to put the Crusader Monthly in hands of 1,000 teachers?

Let us each keep a good supply of leaflets, and give out unsparingly, yet carefully. Keep wall-pockets in depot waiting rooms, etc., filled with good, clean literature.

Please write to me and I will help you in every way possible. MRS. MATTIE D. WARE,
State Superintendent of Temperance Literature.

MRS. STANLEY'S NOTE BOOK.

Since my last, I attended the anniversary meeting of Meridian W. C. T. U., and spent the night with Mrs. Amanda Whitson. About 100 guests were present and a splendid program rendered, closing with refreshments. The day following I attended Boone county's rally in honor of Judge Artman. All the temperance forces of the State were represented. A fine audience crowded

the church, and a magnificent banquet was given in the home of the Artmans at 6 p. m. Mrs. Artman wears the white ribbon and knows how to defend the faith.

I had fine audiences at Perkinsville and Lapel on Saturday and Sabbath following. Got sixteen new members in Madison county in spite of the downpour of rain. Cayuga Institute was a success. Mrs. Rose Pearce had everybody in line. Meeting in opera house at beginning. Seventy-five people took dinner at the church. Boswell followed, with every woman at her post. They don't plan for failures over in Benton. Miss Willard was right when she said: "There are no women like our women." I believe it, and God will not fail this ballotless army now, but lead us on to victory.

ELIZABETH T. STANLEY.

Following dates taken:

March 14 and 15, Seymour; March 28 and April 4, Elkhart; April 7 and 8, Lebanon, April 21 and 22, Princeton, April 23 and 24, Mt. Vernon; April 25 and 26, Evansville, April 27 and 28, Stinesville, Wayne, Montgomery and Clinton counties.

FROM STATE SUPT. OF INSTITUTE.

Dear Sisters:

At the mid-year Executive meeting, held at Lebanon on April 6 and 7, it was decided that at the next State Convention, which will be held at Bedford, the State would present a banner to the county having the largest subscription list to the Union Signal in proportion to its membership. The State Treasurer's books to be the basis of membership and the Union Signal galley sheet to be the basis of subscription list. Now sisters, won't you all set to work at once and try to win the banner? You need the Signal this year as never before, for the temperance work is moving forward with rapid strides, and you must "keep up" if you would do great things. The Union Signal needs your support that it may grow better all the time. Send in your subscription at once.

Rose Pearce,
State Recording Secretary.

HOME ECONOMIES.

Dear Sisters:

I will send out report blanks to County Presidents trusting that they will present them to County Institutes and Local Unions in the hope that those who have done work in the Department of Home Economics will fill them out and forward to the State Superintendent (Mrs. Mary A. Moody, 219 E. 10th St., Indianapolis) at their earliest convenience.

I will send a paper along the line of Home Economics on the phase of work that is preferred by any one who will notify me of her preference and desires such literature. If one wishes to do school gardening, if she will send to one of our members on Congress he will undoubtedly be glad to present her with vegetable and flower seeds; and local dealers would probably also assist in such an enterprise.

The teaching of certain kinds of handicraft in the school, such as hand sewing, which, in these days of machinery, has almost become a lost art for girls, would prepare many a one to be useful and perhaps provide them with employment, or helpfulness in the home.

Carpentering for boys, and school gardening for all could be made wonderfully beneficial in all the efforts of life's struggles when the school days are over and the real battle of life comes, demanding a knowledge of work that commands good wages. In conversation with the unemployed, I find that those who have received technical training are seldom long idle. I have in mind a Belgian who secured employment during the ordeal of the unemployed simply because his mother attended a school of horticulture with him that he might become interested in pruning and grafting. This culture enabled the young man, although a stranger in a strange land, to make friends and a home, whilst others drifted aimlessly and were friendless. Such educational knowledge enables one to admire and delight in the wonderful works of nature pointing us to nature's God. Let us appreciate nature study, more for ourselves, and especially for the children.

MRS. STAHL PROVES VERY ENTERTAINING.

The Roanoke W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Callison on Second street Tuesday afternoon. The topic for the afternoon was "Mothers' Meetings," which was very ably discussed by Mrs. Stahl, State Superintendent of Mothers' Meeting Department. Most of the members and several visitors were present and appreciated the address very much. Every mother in this vicinity should have heard this talk, which explained her influence and duty as a mother. Special music was furnished by the quartet. After the regular program refreshments were served by the hostesses. The W. C. T. U. is increasing in interest and also in membership, as six new members were added at this meeting. Mrs. Stahl gave an address on "Personal Responsibility" at the U. B. church in the evening.

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OFFICIAL.

Dear Sisters:

We have good news for you. Our Treasurer's books at the end of last quarter showed a gain of \$71 over the corresponding quarter of last year. Your unwearied efforts are bearing fruit. The gain would be much larger if all old members had paid their dues promptly. We are hoping that no one who marched with us in the past year, and shared in the splendid advances we have been making, will lose step now, just as we are getting ready to shout victory. We are going to double this gain before our State Convention, but, remember, in order to do this we must hold our old members.

Our National Convention will be held at Denver October 15-21. This compels us to hold our State Convention unusually early so that our delegates may have a few days to prepare for the trip. Our State Convention will meet in Bedford October 2 to 6. You are all going, of course. We had a wonderful convention last year at Lafayette, but we expect this year to surpass it, and we want you all there to rejoice with us, and we hope you will become so imbued with the convention spirit that you will catch up the cry, "On to Denver!"

At our recent State Executive meeting it was decided to secure a banner for each State Superintendent of Department to be awarded at our State Convention to the Union making the best report in the particular department.

Miss Anna Robbins, a National Organizer, will come into our State in June for three months' work. She is one of our most successful workers. She had several years experience as nurse in the army and knows by personal observation of the effects of the canteen in the army. She spent three years in Manila, and gives a lecture on her experiences there, and has costumes and curios with which to illustrate her lecture. She gives two lectures at each point on very reasonable terms. You will want her, of course, so write me at once for date and terms that I may make out her route to good advantage.

Bear in mind that since our State Convention must come so early, reports must be in correspondingly early. Last year dues were sent in just too late to be counted, and made us seem to have fallen off in membership instead of making a gain. Let us be prompt with dues and all reports this year that we may make a good showing at the State Convention.

A large number of unions have been very successful in gaining new members by means of a membership contests. If your union has not tried this method, will you not do so at once? It is a good plan, but it will not work itself.

The Institutes are being well attended and many new members are being won by them, but they can never take the place of the personal work of each individual member. Remember our rally cry: "7,000 members for 1908, 1,500 subscribers to the Union Signal and 1,000 teachers taking the Crusader Monthly.

Yours for advance,

Mary E. Woodard.

Mrs. Mary T. Craig, State Superintendent of Sunday School Work, of Upland, will be away quite a while with her husband in evangelistic work, and asks that you send reports, etc., to Mrs. Lida Outland, Upland, Ind., the former Superintendent. Mrs. Craig will inform us when she returns.

SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE.

I am receiving a number of letters of inquiry concerning the prize essay contest and I take this means of answering them.

1. Time for essays to be sent to State Superintendent should be not later than June 15 to give time for grading and getting ready for State contest.

2. Essays are to be confined to eighth grade and first year in high school.

3. Those in the same grade must write on the same topic.

I have not sent out any report blanks this spring, but will send out in the fall, and expect a full report for the year.

MRS. ETHEL E. BAIR,
State Superintendent, North Liberty, Ind.

FIELD NEWS

Howard County W. C. T. U. Institute was held in March, in the First Baptist church, Kokomo. Mrs. Rose Pearce, leader. The Institute was a success in every way. There was a large attendance at each session. Reports from Superintendents showed much good work being done. Tuesday evening Mrs. Pearce spoke to a large audience, telling of her work through the State, how the temperance sentiment was spreading and how busy and hopeful the women were in ridding the town of the legalized saloon. There were songs by the choir, recitation by Mrs. Grace Unger, of Russiaville; piano solo Mrs. Olive Lee, Russiaville. The choir sang "Indiana's Going Dry," and every one joined in the chorus. Wednesday morning Mrs. Pearce gave an interesting talk on things done and left undone at Washington, D. C., which affect the cause. A committee was appointed to write to Representative Foster, of the First district, indorsing all he has done and urging him to support all bills touching the work, and especially the Littlefield bill. Hon. A. B. Kirkpatrick spoke on "How Can Statutory Prohibition Best be Made Effective and Permanent," showing the difference between statutory and constitutional prohibition. Statutory prohibition can be secured much sooner than constitutional—then push it to constitutional. Little Irene Brubaker, of Russiaville, aged 4, recited a touching poem on the "Sweetness of Mamma's Kiss, Free From Tobacco and Whiskey Taint." She easily won the hearts of all. At the afternoon session W. R. Voorhis spoke on law enforcement. He said if the law is to be enforced public sentiment must be aroused until the people want law enforced. His remarks convinced all of the necessity of agitation. The "Church's Opportunity" was arranged as a symposium. The first was Mrs. Ellis, who advanced the thought that Sunday School teachers, ministers and all Christian workers should make a greater effort to have temperance sermons and temperance lessons and temperance evangelistic meetings. Rev. Choate, pastor of the Congregational church, said the church had largely misunderstood the grand mission God gave her, proving this true by her hesitancy to take hold of all the great questions that have touched her material life. The church is fast recognizing the fact that it is its duty to do all in its power to prepare a pure atmosphere for a saved soul to breathe as well as to save a soul to breathe an atmosphere. Mr. Penland then gave an original recitation: "Did You Ever Stop to Think?" Rev. Merrill Wilson compared the church and its helpfulness and the saloon and its hurtfulness on society. Other speakers of the afternoon were Dr. Baldwin, of Greentown, who is such a worker and helper to the W. C. T. U.; Miss Rebecca Trueblood, Miss Amanda Turner, Mrs. Nora Gause, Mrs. Ida Mix in behalf of the State L. T. L. work. At 4:15 the question box was opened and many interesting questions answered.

South Bend—The home of Mrs. C. Fassnacht, St. Joseph County President, was the scene of a very pleasant affair, given by Chapin Park Union. Husbands, honorary members and friends of the union were present March 26th. A fine program was given, which was listened to with the closest attention. Mrs. Walter Fassnacht and Mose Galoway sweetly sang "What Are You Going to Do?" and Miss Madge Woodward rendered two piano selections, which were well received. Mrs. Katie Wert Holler read an excellent paper on "The Needs of the Day," which was received with a hearty applause. A request was made to submit the paper to the press. The city papers were glad to receive the article. Mr. D. D. Nenit, an educated Hungarian, gave an able paper on the Hungarian population in the city, and Dr. Von Bonbordi also gave a talk on the same subject. The gentlemen made an urgent appeal for a W. C. T. U. among their people. Short talks were given by the County Treasurer, Local President, Mr. Charles Holler and Mr. Barnes. Each number was enthusiastically received. A number of new members were received, as well as honorary members. Elaborate refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. C. Fassnacht, Mrs. Walter Fassnacht and Mrs. Emil Keger. The party broke up at a late hour. The husbands and honorary members are hoping to spend many more evenings of such fine entertainment and social intercourse.

Red Key Union held the first of a series of public meetings Sunday evening, April 5th, at the M. E. church, with a large and appreciative audience. A splendid program was given. The union has planned to hold these meetings at the different churches on the last Sunday evening in the month, and they ask for the basket collection to defray the expense of the local work. Special music will be provided for the meetings. Our union is steadily growing. We now have forty members; twenty per cent. of them taking the Union Signal. We hope it will grow rapidly under the public meeting plan. Its a good thing—try it.

The Dearborn County W. C. T. U. Institute was held in the Presbyterian church at Lawrenceburg, Mrs. A. E. Ryerson, County President, presiding. The first evening was an address by the leader, Mrs. Rose Pearce, of Cayuga. Tuesday forenoon the plan of work was fully discussed, followed by reports from the different unions in the county, all being represented. Meals were served by the

local union of Lawrenceburg. The address of welcome by the Local President, Mrs. George Wencke, was full of hope and courage. The response by Mrs. Pearce had a ring of victory. Balance of afternoon fully occupied with regular institute work. The medal contest by young ladies in the evening was attended by at least 350 people. Miss Lesta Ammerman won the medal. A paper on "Proportionate Giving," by Mrs. H. Bobrink, was an earnest and strong appeal for God's money to be turned into His work. "The Effect of Popular Amusements Upon Habit and Character" was discussed by Mrs. Jennie Ward, followed by Rev. Spinks on "Proper Home Attractions to Counteract Outside Attractions." After the noon hour, the Institute sang with a vim: "Indiana's Going Dry," followed by a duet, "Somebody's Boy," by W. F. Ward and wife. "The Church's Opportunity," by Rev. Davis, was a convincing argument that this is the work of the church. He said the church members who frequent such places comfort the saloon keepers. Ministers who are opposed to the temperance work are clogs in the wheels of progress. W. F. Ward told us when this State would have prohibition and how. The Institute closed in the evening with a short address by Mrs. Pearce, followed by a social half hour. There was a spirit of earnestness and enthusiasm to the end.

Stinesville—Guest Day of our union was held at the home of Sister Laura Williard, March 18. The front rooms were tastefully decorated in the red, white and blue; the dining room in carnations and ferns. Mrs. Zula Edwards had a very enjoyable program, assisted by Mrs. Easton, concluding with an old-fashioned spelling bee. Mrs. James Pickles won two prizes during the afternoon, a spoon tray and souvenir spoon, and Mrs. R. A. Dunn an olive tray. Mrs. O. Sibenthal, of Bloomington, as the union's guest, gave a very interesting talk on "What the W. C. T. U. Has Done for Her." Mrs. Lillian Litten gave readings on "The Life of Gen. Neal Dow." After refreshments of sandwiches, brick cream, cake and coffee, each lady was presented with a carnation and white bow as she left the dining room. There were fourteen members and sixteen guests present. Mrs. Litten gave a contest March 28, for young ladies. Miss Bonnie Easton winning the medal, the other contestants carnations. The musical part of the program was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Miss Downey, of Gosport, gave a reading and monologue while the judges were making their decision. Our regular monthly social and business meetings are well attended, and the union has prospects for a flourishing summer's work.

Union County Institute, held in Liberty, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley leader, was very successful from start to finish. Our local women, some of whom were at the M. E. church at eight o'clock, smiling and enthusiastic, brought well filled baskets for our lunch hour. Our College Corner delegation, a goodly number of them, came over on the ten o'clock train. We crowded an immense amount of work into our forenoon program, closing with a solo by Mr. and Mrs. Stanley. Our leader gave a short talk, followed by a review and report of work done since our last county meeting. There was some discussion of the work hoped to be done before our State Convention, and committees appointed for literature, etc. We had a most excellent paper on "High License," read by Mrs. Geeting, of College Corner Union, followed by a spirited discussion of same. Also a discussion of how much corn it took to make a gallon of liquor and how much the traffic helped the farmer, the discussion being led by Mr. Stanley. Our morning's work was well and enthusiastically done. Then came luncheon hour. Prof. Thomas Record, with his high school teachers and students, lunched with us, also ministers and their families, making 75 or 80 in all. After the fragments were gathered we furnished a nice repast in the evening for 25 or 30, and still something was left over. The afternoon program, from 1:15 to 3:15 o'clock, was in the hands of Prof. Record and his students. It consisted of vocal and piano solos, duets and readings, then a debate by eight students. Subject: "Resolved, That Women Should Have Equal Suffrage Rights With Men." The subject was well and spiritedly handled by the young people, but some of us White Ribboners were disappointed when the judges gave their decision in favor of the negative. A very comprehensive paper was read on the subject "Equal Suffrage," by Mrs. Leslie Laird, of College Corner; also one by Mrs. Laura Eaton, of Liberty, followed by a discussion opened by C. W. Stivers, editor of Liberty Herald, and participated in by several others. The closing exercise of the afternoon was an address by Rev. Titus Lowe, who a short time ago returned from a four years' residence in Calcutta, India, as the pastor of the English-speaking church of that Oriental city. He told of the prevailing conditions in regard to temperance there. His address was thrilling, instructive and very entertaining throughout. Thus closed the day's program. The evening of the 17th there was a Gold Medal contest, which, like all that had gone before, was excellent. The contestants acquitted themselves well, and the judges awarded the medal to Miss Ruth Conaway, of Liberty. Prof. Record presented the medal. We received four new members; we also received seven subscriptions to the Crusader Monthly. Two of Liberty's saloons have gone out of business, and the other four will go out as their licenses expire; closed by remonstrance.

THE MESSAGE.

South Marion—About two months ago the South Marion Union of the W. C. T. U. started a membership contest. The union was divided, one side being the "Blues," the other side the "Reds." The side gaining the most members was to furnish the program while the other side was to serve refreshments at a reception given the new members. The Blues were winners, getting twenty-two members, and the Reds only five. The reception was given at the home of Mrs. Eli Cogshall, President of the South Marion Union, on Thursday afternoon, and was a pleasant occasion. Sixty ladies were present. The house was beautifully decorated in red, the color of the badge worn by one of the contesting sides. The ladies of the other side wore large blue badges. Red ice cream was served with white cake. Mrs. Julia Shugart, County President, gave an impressive and appropriate address of welcome to the new members. The Blues sang an original song: "Hustling is What Gained Us the Day." Miss Landis gave a reading, "My Lost Boy." Mrs. Nunemaker gave a harp solo. The new members were brought forward and introduced separately, our President pinning a white ribbon on each. Grant county has twenty-six unions. South Marion Union is the largest; it has ninety members.

Bloomington—Now I feel I can safely say no other county in Indiana has done any more temperance work than Monroe in the last two years. Closed twenty-three saloons, several houses of disrepute, increased membership of W. C. T. U. from 35 to 90 or more, and of the Prohibition Club 150 members. Now, Bloomington Union is ashamed that we failed to contribute last year to Hadley, and pained that we were not reported in our last annual in giving our memorial fund, also convention fund, which we did early in the year. I have just returned from Michigan, and am again in the work. I hope to see many of you at the mid-year.

Boone County held a very successful institute at Zionsville, March 12 and 13. Great interest was manifested. A Silver Medal contest was held; Samuel Newman was the successful contestant. Five new members were added to the local Union from active; one honorary.

Hartsville Union closed the membership contest March 12th, which resulted in a tie, which was all right, and gained twenty new members to the Union. Many more are interested, and coming in soon. We feel proud of our Union and what it has accomplished, and pray God's blessing on us more and more. Also a Willard Memorial service was held on March 15th consisting of literary program. It was very interesting and effective in giving out information concerning temperance and its influence.

Report of Goshen All-Day Picnic, February 18th—On Tuesday morning fifteen members of the local Woman's Christian Temperance Union boarded the 8:50 o'clock car for Goshen. They did not stop at the court house, as usual, but went to the home of Mrs. Landgravers, corner Seventh and Pearl streets, where they had been invited by the Goshen W. C. T. U. to attend an all-day picnic.

The elegant home was beautifully decorated with flags and flowers, and at 10:30 o'clock Mrs. M. E. McCaskey, President of Goshen Union, called the house to order.

After a devotional service, she welcomed the Elkhart guests and other visitors. Mrs. Milton Wertz, who was one of the ten delegates from the State of Indiana to the National W. C. T. U. convention, held at Nashville, Tenn., last November, gave interesting reports of the convention.

Miss Grace Cunningham sweetly sang "Jesus Has Something for Each One to Do." Readings were given by Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Berry and little Miss Weaver.

When both hands of the clock were pointing heavenward Mrs. D. Kaufman offered the noon-tide prayer.

For two hours old friends met and exchanged greetings and a joyful time was spent socially.

Seventy-five persons visited the dining room, where they were served to a sumptuous dinner.

By 2 o'clock the number had swelled to over one hundred, and the afternoon program opened with a piano duet by the Misses Hammond.

Other numbers on the program were stirring addresses by Rev. Vannuys, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, and Rev. Butts, pastor of the M. E. church.

Miss Grace Hammond sang a solo and the Misses Lane a duet.

Mrs. B. F. Hammond captured the house with a reading, "The Town Pump."

Mrs. Betchtel proved to be the star number on the program and closed her witty remarks with the reading, "A German's Version of Barbara Fritchie." The delightful, instructive program, which closed at 4 o'clock, was enjoyed by all.

Smithville Union held an election of officers March 13th, with the County President in the chair: President, Mrs. L. Litz; Vice-President, Mrs. L. Leonard; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. Deckard; Treasurer, Mrs. A. Fox. New member, Mrs. L. Leonard. Smithville will aim to increase its membership, and although Monroe county is dry, will lend its aid to assist in keeping it dry, and having Indiana dry in 1912. Asking for the prayers of our unions throughout the State for this small band of workers.

On Thursday Evening, February 20th, the Princeton W. C. T. U. held its annual Memorial service for Frances Willard in the First Baptist

church. A picture of Miss Willard, the State motto and the national colors composed the decorations, which were artistically arranged. A free-will offering was taken for the national work. The following program was well given:

Song....."Abide With Me"
Bible Reading.....Mrs. Sarah Simpson
Prayer.....Rev. Biddle
Roll Call.

Paper: Frances Willard as a Child.....
.....Mrs. Charles Finney

Paper: Frances Willard as a Teacher.....
.....Miss Lulu Robinson

Paper: Frances Willard as a Christian.....
.....Mrs. Robert Watt

Reading.....Miss Bethel Critchfield
Trio—Mrs. G. W. Shafer, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Radcliff.

Paper: Frances Willard's Devotion to the Cause of Temperance.....Rev. W. G. Law

Paper: Frances Willard's Work for Humanity.....Mrs. G. W. Guthrie

Paper: Frances Willard's Home-Going.....
.....Mrs. Emma McCurdy

Reading.....Miss Grace Guthrie
Memorial Thank Offering.

Song....."Blest be the Tie That Binds."

The Wayne County institute was held at Richmond on the 10th and 11th of this month. The county convention was held the forenoon of the 10th, at which time reports were given of the condition and progress of the five unions in the county. Dinner was served in the basement of the church, and the two hours' intermission was an enjoyable occasion, not only because of the good things provided, but also on account of the social privileges. The institute opened in the afternoon under the leadership of Mrs. Ella Kroft, who endeared herself to the Wayne County women. Those selected to take part in the program responded promptly, almost without exception, and the general opinion seemed to be that the papers and discussions throughout the institute were helpful and uplifting. The first day closed with a Silver Medal contest in the evening. The attendance on the second day was larger than the first, and there was more enthusiasm manifested. The evening lecture was given by Col. George W. Bain, of Kentucky.

The Delaware County W. C. T. U. institute met at Eaton, Ind., March 12 and 13. Miss Mary Woodard, of Fountain City, was leader, and made an address on Thursday evening. The program was carried out in part as planned in the Message. Mrs. Jester, of Eaton, made a short address of "welcome, after which there was a short review of the work done in the county by the County President. "Is Irreverence Increasing Among Children?" was handled in good shape by the S. S. Superintendent, in which she thought parents were too careless about their children in allowing them to run the streets and not be in Sunday School. "Effect of Popular Amusements on Habits and Character, Including the Five-cent Theater," was discussed by Odessa Rayle, of Muncie, in which she stated that the American people seemed to care more for entertainment than was wise and it was appalling that only one per cent. of our young people went through college, and more of them quit school in the grades to make money to spend, with never a thought of saving a dollar. "Home Attractions to Counteract Outside Attractions," was ably handled by Rev. Williams. He said in part that the home had the first chance to save the children, and the world did not ask for them unless the home did not want them and sent them to the streets to be amused and trained. A paper by Mrs. Lockhart, of Albany on "Work and Regular Habits as Elements in Character Building," was good. She said, give the child work to do and see that he does it properly. Mr. Masters gave a splendid talk on "How Can Statutory Prohibition be Best Made Effective and Permanent." Mrs. Priddy's paper on the subject of "The Church's Opportunity" was well read and instructive, and in great earnestness she said that great good had already been done and now we must put the saloon from before the people. The W. C. T. U. at Eaton worked under discouraging circumstances and at great disadvantage on account of sickness and death in their midst, but did entertain well, and the ladies of the institute thank them for their kindness and hospitality.

The Broad Ripple Union celebrated their twentieth anniversary February 21st in an all-day meeting. They were favored with a beautiful day and a goodly attendance, and many excellent speakers. Miss Laura Gregg, representative of the National Suffrage Association, gave an address in the afternoon which was both instructive and interesting. Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, our State President, gave the evening address. The Broad Ripple Union has been accomplishing great things of late. Along with lending all the help and influence to the work of the Anti-Saloon League, which has been very successful, and the saloons have been banished from our midst. The Union has also taken up the work of Sabbath observance, and not a grocery in the town is open on the Sabbath.

South Bend—At the last meeting of the Colfax W. C. T. U. it was decided to send for two books, entitled "Alcohol, a Dangerous and Necessary Medicine," one to be placed in the Y. M. C. A.; the other to be used in the Union.

Grant County—Aaron Worth Union. On March 5 a meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Nettie D. Ware. Press and Temperance literature were

the departments for the afternoon program. The devotional was conducted by Rev. W. L. Thompson, an honorary member of our union. An open parliament was in charge of our President, Mrs. Belle Kimes. Topic: "How May the Literature of My Department Help in the W. C. T. U. Work?" was of much interest to all present. Little four-year-old Ina Dilts gave a reading on "Tobacco." The mother is our Anti-Narcotic Superintendent. Rev. W. L. Thompson, Superintendent of Parliamentary Usage, organized all present into a class and conducted an instructive drill. Leaflets of eleven of the departments were distributed. Our Union is less than one year old. The evangelistic and literature departments are especially strong.

Whitley County W. C. T. U. held a very interesting and successful institute in the Baptist church at Churubusco, March 23 and 24, with Mrs. Kroft as leader. The attendance was good, especially at night, when the seating capacity of the church was taxed to its utmost. The reports of the County Superintendents showed much good work accomplished and victories gained since last county convention. Many excellent papers were read by members of our county W. C. T. U. Discussions by our members and our ministers were very instructive. The subject, "How Can the Church be Strongly Co-operative Against the Saloon?" was taken by Rev. LeCount, U. B. minister. He said that while the various denominations have their own hobbies and church rules and do not agree on all matters, they have come to the conclusion that they all have one great enemy, namely, the legalized saloon, and that they are putting aside the little trivial affairs and are beginning to work in harmony to rid our land of this great evil; that the churches, the W. C. T. U., the Anti-Saloon League, the Prohibition party, and all other temperance organizations are uniting their forces and declaring that the saloon must go—"it is going." The address on "Woman's Ballot," by Mrs. Kroft, proved that where women have the right to vote, their ballot is nearly always cast in the interest of the home and against all that is wrong. This was a fine address. We feel proud of Mrs. Kroft. The address on "License, High or Low," by Rev. Miller, M. E. minister, at the union services on Sunday night was very good and has started many voters to thinking seriously on the subject. The music, recitations, songs and addresses at the night services were all well rendered.

Wells County—The best institute in the history of the White Ribbon work of Wells county was held in the First M. E. church of Bluffton on March 19 and 20, with Mrs. Kroft as leader. There were about 250 persons in attendance, with 92 voting delegates in the number. Seventeen new members were added to the local union. All the pastors of the city gave us their presence, also Rev. O. H. Harris, of Six Mile, and all took active part in the program. All of the talks and papers were in line of reform, expressing the determination to work for statutory prohibition. Mayor Hamilton gave the address on "Law Enforcement." On Thursday evening Hon. C. S. Newlin gave one of his excellent addresses to an interested audience. On Friday evening a Matron's Silver Medal contest was held, Mrs. Ulmer being the winner. After the contest Mrs. Kroft occupied the time with one of her helpful talks. At all of our meetings Rev. H. A. Welker, of the Reformed church, was the leader of the song service. One marked feature of our institute was the attendance of a goodly number of men, many of whom were honorary members of the different local unions of the county. We have never had occasion to be so hopeful for the cause of God and home and native land as at this time, and we feel that a good time is coming for Wells county. The ladies of the Bluffton Union served a bountiful dinner at the church both days of the institute. On the first day 85 were served, and on the second day 74 were at the tables. To those dinners special invitations had been sent to the pastors and their wives, the physicians and their wives, the editors and their wives, and the lawyers and their wives. With President Willis at the helm and a force of willing workers all in line, we expect to accomplish much during this year. We are hoping to live to see the verification of our new prophetic song, which was written especially for our institute: "Wells County's Going Dry," for that is a day for which we long have prayed.

Temperance Sunday—March 29th was generally observed by the W. C. T. U. of Marion county. Literature was distributed and temperance addresses made. The County President, Mrs. Martha L. Gipe, by request, taught the lesson to the young women of the Central Avenue M. E. Sunday School, emphasizing purity in thought and deed and urging temperance in all things. After the lesson Mrs. Gipe addressed the school in a body, receiving close and interested attention.

Peru—March 20th a Neal Dow meeting was held, Mrs. J. O. Ward in charge, with a very interesting program consisting of a prayer and song service, readings from the "Life and Work of Neal Dow," and "The Advantages of Prohibition in Indiana." The meeting was held in the Evangelical church and was well attended.

Eagletown—On Monday evening, April 6th, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, President of the Indiana W. C. T. U., addressed a large and appreciative audience at the Friends church at Eagletown. The subject chosen was the Prophet Nehemiah's words on rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem. Mrs. Vayhinger handled the subject in an able and

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pleasing manner, showing to each and every Christian and Temperance worker throughout our land that we must work with the "Trowel in one hand and the sword in the other." At the close of the meeting several new members were added to the union at this place.

Coloma—The W. C. T. U. met at Coloma, Friends church, Thursday, April 2d. The business of the day was transacted as usual. A very interesting paper was read by Mrs. Elizabeth Cox on "Systematic Giving."

Laporte Union held a Frances Willard Memorial service February 14th. Miss Laura Gregg, of Garnet, Kan., was present and gave an interesting address. This Union also held a Neal Dow meeting on March 20th. C. G. Catten had charge, and a good program was given. The members are planning for a good institute this spring.

The Lafayette Union held their annual Frances E. Willard Memorial meeting February 17th, at Mrs. John Morris'. There was a good attendance and a neat program. Florists donated many cut flowers, which were afterward distributed to the sick. A generous free-will offering was received. This union also held a Gold Medal contest March 20th at the Christian church. There was an unusually good class and after close judging the medal was awarded Miss Esther Brown, who gave "Old Soapy" in a splendid manner. Other classes are preparing and much interest has been aroused.

The Blackford County W. C. T. U. institute was held at Montpelier March 17 and 18, and was one of the best in every respect in the history of the temperance work. The County President, Mrs. Stahl, had charge, and Mrs. Ella Kroft, of Fairfield, was leader. The address of welcome by Mrs. West, the local President, and response by Mrs. Kroft were especially good and had the desired effect. Brief review of work showed that much good and effective work had been done, and this is due largely to the fact that we have a wide-awake, enthusiastic County President. A Matron's Silver Medal contest was in charge of Superintendent Mrs. Ritter, and Mrs. Wearly, of Montpelier won the medal. Splendid music was furnished by Mrs. Brown and the male quartet of Montpelier. Some very interesting and enthusiastic talks were given by Mrs. Kroft, Revs. Brown, Johnson, Berry, Canada and Ervin, of Montpelier, and Rev. McCormack, of Hartford City. We are happy to say the ministers of the Gospel are helping in the temperance fight, not only preaching but actually in the fight, and this was one thought of their talks, to unite with the W. C. T. U. and drive the saloons out of our towns. One very effective service was the dedication of five small children to the W. C. T. U. by their mothers and was conducted by Mrs. Stahl, who, in her motherly way, made it the more impressive. Mrs. Wearly's paper on "Work and Regular Habits as Elements in Character Building," was especially good, and understood best by the mothers, for it was written by a mother. Our Father alone can know the good done in the home for the great temperance reform. Space will not permit the mention of many points of interest, but we are nearer victory and the end not far off. Much credit is due the ladies of the local union for the royal way in which they entertained the institute. Mrs. Kroft gave the closing address Wednesday night. It was indeed inspiring to the unions and all present were greatly helped by hearing such a noble Christian woman as Mrs. Kroft as leader.

Boone—The county institute of the W. C. T. U., held at Zionsville, March 13th and 14th, was very interesting and beneficial. The weather was beautiful. There was a good attendance. Mrs. Retta Jones, of Alexandria, institute leader, deserves great credit for her earnest effort and energy manifested in making the institute a success. Thursday evening, March 13th, a large and appreciative audience witnessed a very enjoyable Silver Medal contest. All earnest W. C. T. U. workers who attended this institute gained much strength and courage to go forward and fight the great drink evil until its death knell shall be sounded from "shore to shore."

DeKalb County—The institute held at Garrett, March 26 and 27, under the leadership of Mrs. Ella Kroft, was a success in every way. Almost every number on the program was filled by the party to whom it had been assigned, and the topics, thus presented by preachers, attorneys, doctors and our good women, had a telling effect along the union lines of our work. Mrs. Kroft is sure of a hearty welcome if she can again visit DeKalb. The medal contest by seven of the bright boys and girls of the county was a sentiment-working force. The medal was awarded to Ruth Lindorfer, of Garrett. Garrett Union has increased its membership many fold, and Auburn reports 112 as against 38 last year and greatly increased activity. Waterloo has just organized, with 16 charter members. The President is Mrs. Jennie Knisely of that place. Our County President, Mrs. Bert Patterson, of St. Joe, is getting the work well in hand, and ably following the heroic officers who have preceded her. Butler has been successful in maintain a strong union, composed of but few members—quality taking the place of quantity. The Butler sisters are in the front rank, though the number is not large.

Elwood W. C. T. U. celebrated Frances E. Willard's Heavenly Birthday on February 16th at the Baptist church. Mrs. Sarah Adair, the President, presiding. The devotional services were conducted by Mrs. Ebert. Rev. Chandler gave a

very interesting talk on Miss Willard's life. Quite a lengthy program was listened to by a good crowd. On Wednesday, February 25, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger visited our union, gave an interesting talk in the afternoon at the public library, after which we had a social time. Mrs. Vayhinger lectured at the M. E. church at night. In spite of the bad weather a good audience greeted her. The union of Elwood is still awake and fighting the saloons and everything in their line with all the energy they have.

Westfield—On account of recent unavoidable change of date our Hamilton county convention and institute were held jointly, it being the proper time for institute. Mrs. Retta Jones was present to conduct some portions of the program. She is full of energy and enthusiasm and in her talks transmitted a goodly amount to sixty other members of W. C. T. U. in attendance, as well as some honorary members. It was the largest and most enthusiastic gathering of White Ribboners ever held in Hamilton county and at Carmel. The Carmel local union entertained the White Ribboners and all others beautifully the two days with nicely served and palatable lunches at noon, and opened their homes to rest our tired bodies when night came. Many subjects of importance were brought before the institute-convention and discussed, and new truths came to light which were strong agitation against the tobacco, cigarette and liquor habits. Also papers were read and discussed on the subject: "What Influences Should be Used on the Children at Home to Prevent Them From Falling into Degradation Company and Habits?" Speeches were made by Hon. Northain, our candidate (Phobi.) for the Legislature, and others. God bless every true-hearted Prohibitioner and White Ribboner. On behalf of the convention.

From Vayhinger Union W. C. T. U.—Rev. C. C. Bonnell, of East Park M. E. church, remembered the Neal Dow Day of prayer in his regular Thursday evening prayer service. Rev. Collins, of East Tenth Street church, preached a very good temperance sermon on March 15th. On the same date Rev. C. C. Bonnell, of East Park church gave a very able sermon in reply to the large advertisement and letters sent to the ministers by the Southern brewers. East Tenth Street church observed the temperance day with a very effective program. Mrs. Dr. Keller gave a very good talk. Department of Franchise had a very successful meeting at East Park church, conducted by the Invincibles.

Elkhart County meetings a great success. Mrs. Tillman is a fine leader. The mass meeting in Nappanee was held in the opera house and it was packed to the doors. The institute at Elkhart was very enthusiastic, the women of the entire county having been very aggressive in the law enforcement campaign, and, as everywhere else, they decided that the liquor traffic must be prohibited, not regulated. Goshen had two evening meetings and secured seven new members. My greatest surprise was in Bremen, where I found all saloons voted out. Think of it! I think this the greatest victory yet won by local remonstrance. The unions in this section are holding parlor picnics and membership contests to increase numbers and enthusiasm, and they have made the organization popular. Spent Monday evening at Argos, and Tuesday at Mulberry. Wednesday at Lebanon, where we discovered that Mrs. Judge Artman is a star debater for equal suffrage. Our cause is enlisting the brightest and best, for we champion the cause of the people. Yours for victory,

Elkhart Central Woman's Christian Temperance Union—A magnificent audience greeted Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley at the Baptist church, Wednesday evening, April 1st. The church was beautifully decorated with palms and ferns, and at 7:45 o'clock the program opened with a pipe organ selection by R. M. Stewart. After the invocation by J. W. Gossard, the St. Paul M. E. Male Quartet pleased with music. Mrs. Stanley, endowed with the power of oratory and fortified with a fund of facts, came before a large and appreciative audience and by her natural talent and by her college training in the elements of civil law, held the closest attention for more than an hour. The subject of her address was "Christian Citizenship," and in a most convincing manner she attributed nearly all of the domestic, economic and political ills to the use of intoxicating liquors. The reading, "Christian Patriotism," was charmingly delivered by Miss Daun Kremer. One of the boys of the Junior L. T. L. presented pretty bouquets of carnations, tied with white ribbon, to Mrs. Stanley and Miss Kremer. Boys of the Senior L. T. L. gracefully acted as ushers and collectors. Rev. H. M. Spear, pastor of the Baptist church, pronounced the benediction.

Elkhart County Institute—One of the most entertaining and profitable Institutes ever held by the Elkhart County Woman's Christian Temperance Union convened at the Baptist church in Elkhart, Thursday, April 2d. Goshen and Nappanee Unions were well represented, and Mrs. J. E. Tilman, the County President, presided. During the morning session reports were heard and several departments of work and other subjects brought up spirited and helpful discussions. Some of the afternoon topics were "Work and Regular Habits as Elements in Character Building," treated by Mrs. T. M. Baker; "Proper Home Attractions to Counteract Outside Attractions," by Rev. C. E. Rice; "Effects of Popular Amusements Up-

on Habits and Character," by Rev. M. E. Bachman, and "How Can the Church be Strongly Co-operative Against the Saloon," by Rev. H. N. Spear. The music consisted of W. C. T. U. songs and several solos. Some pertinent questions along lines pertaining to the work were asked by the audience and answered by Mrs. Stanley. Enthusiasm was at high tension when six members of the Junior L. T. L., each carrying a wand surmounted by a gilt star, took their places on the platform and gave a rousing prohibition exercise, closing with a chorus of voices as follows:

"Indiana, are you coming, are you coming, are you coming

To be a temperance state?

Things must really get to humming, get to humming, get to humming,

You would better fix a date.

Indiana, are you coming?"

At both morning and afternoon sessions Mrs. Stanley gave helpful talks. On Thursday evening she delivered another stirring address on "Tricks of the Trade," in which she showed the breweries' influence over legislatures and politicians. Every session was largely attended; a good collection was taken; new members were added to the W. C. T. U. ranks, and subscriptions to the temperance publications were secured. As a sequel to the Institute, which closed Thursday evening, Mrs. Milton Wertz, of Middlebury street, gave an informal dinner at noon Friday to the members of the W. C. T. U., and in the afternoon the members and a number of other guests enjoyed the reading: "At the Mercy of the State," given by Mrs. Stanley.

In last Message it was stated that the supply of programs for local unions is exhausted, but a few orders can be filled by our Corresponding Secretary. Those who want the programs, please write an once to Miss Mary E. Woodard, Fountain City. Price, one cent per copy.

THE AMERICAN PROHIBITION YEAR BOOK FOR 1908.

This compact and timely volume contains a whole library of valuable matter. The authors have made a specialty of going to official sources, to government reports, for much of its statistical information. Being double the size of former editions, it covers a much broader field. It has fifteen departments: "Almanac," "Total Abstinence," "Consumption and Cost of Drink," "Economics," "Criminology," "Legislation," "Results of Legislation," "The Liquor Trade," "A National Problem," "Political Action and Methods," "Party Records," "Religious Bodies," "Courts and Decisions," "Election Returns," "Organization and Lists."

Here are many hundreds of things which the people wish to know in connection with the present widespread agitation on the liquor traffic and its record. We observe that under "Economics" it presents a very compact, yet comprehensive view of the fundamentals of Political Economy, while under "Legislation" it gives the history from earliest civilization of all nations of dealing with the liquor traffic, including "Tribute," or "Tax," "Permits," or "Grants," "Low License," "Dispensary," or "Gothenburg System," "High License," "Local Option," Prohibition," etc.

The "Results of Legislation" are very impressive, and are probably the most complete ever gathered outside of an encyclopedia. The work abounds in "graphs," or diagrams, helpful in showing at a glance the proportions and relations of the statistical statements made.

The book shows by official figures how prohibition will bring to the farmer twelve times the sale for his products that he now has from the liquor patronage. It also shows the workingman how the liquor traffic keeps hundreds of thousands of men idle; and also keeps down the reward that labor should receive. From the pages of this book the average citizen will be able to glean fundamental facts which will enable him to formulate his own answers to the mass of prejudiced and misleading statements now being poured forth by the alarmed and desperate liquor men, who realize that "their craft is in danger."

Several pages devoted to court decisions are convincing and convenient for the inquirer. The actual figures show that the drink bill of America exceeds two and a quarter billions of dollars every year. This is not rhetoric; it appears to be cold mathematics, and speakers will be safe to so declare.

There are no secret chambers in this volume, for a copious index throws open every door. The student of affairs, the politician, the public speaker, the clergyman and the private citizen should find in this book matter suggestive, informing and authoritative. (Cloth, 50c; paper, 25c. Post-paid. Lincoln Temperance Press, 92 La Salle street, Chicago, Ill.)

IN MEMORIAM.

Bluffton Union sorrows the going away of Mrs. Elizabeth C. Thomas at the age of eighty-three years, nine months and fifteen days, after an illness of one month. She had for many years been a member of the Union and will be sadly missed. She was a faithful christian who through her long life of mingled joy and sorrow, never lost her cheerful spirit and interest in all things human.

Mrs. S. S. Whisler, one of our earnest and efficient workers, has died. The last W. C. T. U. work she did was to assist in arranging for Mrs. Stanley's meetings. Wednesday evening she was as well as usual and enthusiastic over the work. Friday morning the Master said: "It is enough; come up higher." We shall greatly miss her at our meetings.

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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Engage the best speakers available for temperance picnics and rallies.

Now is the time to secure speakers for annual County Conventions, to be held in September.

FLOWERS WANTED.

Unions in small towns or country having more flowers than they can use will please express them to Marion County, Flower Mission Department W. C. T. U. We want every reform and charitable institution in Marion County visited on that day and fear we will not have flowers.

Chicago Board of Trade interests warned by liquor men. One of the letters sent out says in part:

"As a matter of self-preservation, we are compelled to find out who are our friends and who are our enemies. No firm that directly or indirectly assists the Prohibition party can consistently do business with us, and we therefore take the liberty to ask you how you stand on the question."

The plan outlined, reduced to its legitimate analysis, is that a Black List is to be prepared which will contain the names of all business firms and business men who favor prohibition. When these names have been secured it is the purpose of the malsters and brewers, together with their tools and vassals, to boycott all of these and do them all the harm that can possibly be done them by these criminal interests.

Hon. Wm. H. Taft, in his "Your Aspect of Civic Duty," says:

"I think the doctrine of Prohibition is at war with all the ideas and teachings of the English-speaking race. * * * Here and there a wise man can be found who is in favor of prohibition, but these are the exceptions and are very few. The conscience of the world goes against the doctrine."

DANGEROUS INNOVATION.

[By Editor Gregory, of Williamsport.]

The Jews of New York have succeeded in having the name of Christ in any of its forms and the word Christmas eliminated from the singing books used in the public schools, and the publishers of song books are beginning to revise the books with these names left out. The order for this freak step was made by the board of education. The demand on which the order was made was that the word was sectarian and had no place in the books. The threat was made by the Jews that if the words were not taken out of the books they would cease sending their children to the schools.

When it is remembered that the people who are demanding this radical change in the protestant singing books are descendants of the people who made false accusations against the Christ and finally put Him to death, there is no wonder now that the children of these murderers want the school books of Christian parents separated as far as possible from Christian belief, doctrine and practice that they may conform strictly to the beliefs, doctrines and practice of Jews. What the Jews of New York City demand the Jews of Chicago and all other cities of the country will demand.

PRESIDENT'S APPEAL.

Dear Sisters:

Our third quarter is closing, and I am praying and working, and I hope you are doing the same, for a good increase over the third quarter last year. At our mid-year we found we had a gain of 872 over corresponding quarters last year. If Unions that have not reported will do as well the coming quarters we will have 7,000 women by September 15, 1908.

Do not fail to organize in some way for a membership contest, and do it now. Women are awaiting an invitation to join our ranks, so go after them today. This is the crisis year in Indiana prohibition work. Let us not be found wanting in ranks. We are ordering beautiful new state banners to be given for excellence in work done and reports sent in by local Unions and counties. Each State Superintendent is to have one to offer in her department. Each county is asked to bring their county banner; also a piece of cardboard 18 in. long, 12 in. wide, with name of county, number of members gained and number of saloons put out this year, printed in large letters and figures upon it, and ready for hanging. These will hang about the convention church.

If any of you have used a song which has been especially helpful in stirring up enthusiasm in the work and will send me a copy of it, I shall be glad to select from them to use in convention.

May the few remaining months be full of labors.

Yours,

CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

BIBLE IS BARRED FROM CHICAGO SCHOOLS.

Management Committee of Board of Education Says it Seeks to Preserve "Unsectarian Character."

All books containing biblical quotations, as well as the Bible, are excluded from the Chicago public schools. The reason given by the school management committee of the Board of Education is a fear that official sanction of its use "might result in evoking distrust of the integrity and unsectarian character of the schools."

The fight that has been waged for weeks over the study of the Bible or books containing quotations or references, it is said, is only temporarily checked by the action of the trustees. It is certain to be renewed, it is conceded, in the disposition of certain books used for supplemental reading, which have been recommended by the teachers and others charged with the duty of selecting such reading matter.

[Everywhere our Christians must consider from whence comes their blessings. Women must always bear in mind that it is only in lands where the Gospel of Jesus Christ is taught (The Bible) that woman is anything more than a slave.

Jesus Christ is the emancipator of woman. To Him we owe unswerving allegiance.—Editor.]

FOR PROHIBITION.

No man or enterprise ever ultimately lost a cent by standing for the right. If the stars in their courses fought against Sisera they will per contra. Fight for the man or enterprise that stands four-square for righteousness. When Elijah was hungry in the wilderness, God's ravens fed him there. The same God that gave victory to Gideon, that rescued Daniel from the den of lions, and that shielded Paul and his companions when the hour of shipwreck came, rules and reigns today, and He will not allow His friends and advocates to suffer if they unselfishly stand for Him.

The liquor traffic is the deadliest enemy the human race has ever known. It is organized as a foe to law, order and righteousness in every state throughout the nation. It employs a vast corruption fund which is used constantly for misleading popular opinion and the subornation of the press.

Mrs. L. M. Stevens and Miss Anna Gordon, National President and Vice-President-at-Large, are spending the months of April and May at National headquarters in Evanston, Ill. In addition to the usual heavy correspondence incident to the general work, they have taken an active part in the local option campaign in the state, delivering addresses at Springfield, the state capital, and at Moline, where a hot fight resulted in a no-license victory. A prohibition majority of nearly 40,000 in Illinois rejoices the hearts of all enemies of the saloon.

Plans for the next National W. C. T. U. Convention are already under way, and Mrs. Stevens and Miss Gordon will go to Denver in May to confer with state and local committees. It is expected that the convention will be held in the fine new auditorium now in process of erection in Denver for the special accommodation of the great National Democratic Convention to be held in that city in July.

CANDY.

"Give children plenty of pure sugar, taffy and butterscotch and they'll have little need of cod-liver oil," says Dr. Woods Hutchinson in the Woman's Home Companion.

"In short, sugar is, after meat, bread and butter, easily our next most important and necessary food. It is a significant fact that the free-lunch counters run in connection with bars furnish every imaginable thing except sweets. Even the restaurants and lunch grills attached to saloons or bars often refuse to serve desserts of any sort. They know their business. The more sugar and sweets a man takes at a meal, the less alcohol he wants. Conversely, nearly every drinking man will tell you that he has lost his taste for sweets. The more candy a nation consumes, the less alcohol.

Sunday School workers are reminded that June 28 in Anti-Cigarette Sunday. The plan to observe one Sunday in each year as Anti-Cigarette Day in the Sunday Schools was first proposed by our National Superintendent of Anti-Narcotics, Mrs. E. B. Ingalls. Later the International Sunday School Association, through its Temperance Committee, designated the second Temperance Sunday of each year as Anti-Cigarette Day. Plans, programs and new illustrated anti-narcotic leaflets for Anti-Cigarette Sunday are prepared by the National Superintendent of the Sunday School Department, and are included in the Quarterly Budget. Price, 15 cents. Send to Mrs. Stella B. Irvine, 115 Walnut street, Riverside, California.

PROHIBITION.

Recent Typical Results—Its Latest Progress—Notable Testimony.

Prohibition is a good thing—if it works,—that today is the attitude of millions of honest citizens who have become interested in the extending conquest of the Home Protection forces, but who are not yet informed as to its actual results, where in operation.

Herein are epitomized a few of the typical results of local and state prohibition, honestly enforced, although in every case seriously handicapped by uninterrupted interstate nullification, which the Littlefield measure in Congress will help put an end to, when passed.

Recent Typical Results of Prohibition.

Missouri—Three years ago three counties out of 114 in the state of Missouri were "dry." Today 72 counties have voted out the saloon and the rest are following in rapid succession. The campaign for a state prohibition amendment to the constitution is enthusiastically under way.

Every distillery except one in southern Missouri, which includes 18 counties, has been forced out of business by prohibition during the last two years.

On February 29, 1908, when the First District Press Association met at Macon, Mo., the local editor interviewed the editor-delegates on prohibition. He found them unanimously in favor of it, declares the Kansas City Star, and "those from whose homes the saloons banished longest were the most outspoken. Not an editor complained of any embarrassment to his town by loss of saloon revenue."

Tennessee—Every one of Tennessee's 1,848 towns and municipalities, with the exception of three, are now saloon free by the gradual progress of prohibition reform during the last twenty years. State prohibition seems inevitable within two years. Knoxville, Tenn., its largest prohibition city since November 1, 1907, shows for the month of January, 1908, exactly 88 arrests compared with 181 for January, '07. The Sentinel of that city says, February 10, 1908: "Prohibition has reduced drinking two-thirds at least and thereby reduced all kinds of vice."

Bristol, Tenn., (population 10,000) has reduced its police force twice since November 1st last, when prohibition came in force. Since Bristol and Knoxville went "dry" there is not an open saloon between Roanoke, Va., and Chattanooga, a distance of over 400 miles.

Alabama—Birmingham, Ala., (population with its suburbs 125,000) adopted prohibition October 28, 1907. The law went into force January 1st, 1908. January 25, 1908, the Birmingham News says editorially: "For ten years Birmingham has not enjoyed so wonderful a period as it has since January 1st. Prohibition has proved a powerful agency in the betterment of public morals." The number of arrests for drunkenness in January, 1908, was scarcely one-sixth as large as the average when saloons were in operation. The number of arrests in Birmingham in December under license was 1,114, average, 36 a day. The total for January was 398, 14 a day. In December the street gang contained on an average 30 white men. In January the average was five.

The suburbs of Bessemer, Ensley, Gadsden, Jasper and Anniston, all iron and steel working towns where twelve or fifteen prisoners on the average daily faced the police judge under license, now report frequent days when there was no business for the court. "The undertakers declare that their ambulances are rusting in their stalls," state a special dispatch to the New York Tribune.

One of the managers of the steel plant of the United States Steel Corporation at Ensley said to the Tribune correspondent: "The record of accidents in January (under prohibition) shows a decrease of 60 per cent." Street car casualties, formerly of daily occurrence, are no longer reported, or at rare intervals. In January 1,044 state and county business licenses were issued up to January as compared with 1,029 up to January 25, 1907, showing an increase in the number of business houses in spite of the closing of 300 saloons in the county.

Under prohibition Anniston, Ala., during January, 1908, reports 129 total arrests, eight for drunkenness. Under license for December, '07, there were 427 arrests, 179 for drunkenness.

Kansas City, Kansas—Mr. William E. Curtis, the well-known correspondent for the Washington Star, Chicago Record-Herald, and other papers, himself not a Prohibitionist, in an interview January 28, 1908, with Assistant Attorney General C. W. Trickett, of Kansas, reports the striking results of enforced prohibition in Kansas City, Kansas, a city of 100,000. Following are a few typical facts:

"On June 8, 1906, there were 256 saloons in Wyandotte county, Kan., of which Kansas City is the seat. There were 200 gambling houses and more than sixty houses of evil repute.

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STATE CONVENTION LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Marion—June 16, 17, 18.

Welcome—Evening June 16.

For City—Judge W. T. Williams.

For Churches—Rev. J. Boyd Jones.

For W. C. T. U.—Mrs. C. W. Boucher.

For L. T. L.—Miss Lucile McVicker.

Important—Entertainment will be given all delegates except dinners, which will be served for 20 cents.

Press Reporters, please send an account of the work that your Union is doing to The Message. For instance, if your Union has had a public meeting or has done some special work, please "write it up" the next day and send it to the editor of The Message. By telling of your work, if it is only a five-line item, it may encourage some other band of women to do some definite work. If you have had a speaker or had a "good meeting" tell The Message.

Treasurers, now is the time to collect dues. If your list is too long for you to personally do the work, take an hour and write out the names and ask some of the members to help you. June 15 is the day that all local dues should be sent by the Local Treasurer to the County Treasurer. Collect dues! Secure donations for your treasury. How? By talking in company about how the W. C. T. U. needs money and tell what for. Keep this up. At every meeting of the Union, too, talk about it. After a while the people will begin to think about how little they give in a year to the temperance work. When they think a while they will give. How few families give two dollars a year for temperance in Indiana. W. C. T. U. families give, but, oh, few other women contribute of their money to the temperance work.

Prize Essay Contests! Send us the report of your contest.

For Temperance and helpful leaflets secure the following: "The Liquor Traffic and Foreign Missions," by Mrs. Marion H. Dunham. price 30c per 100. "The Relation of Temperance to Missions," 50c per 50; 90c per 100. (Excellent.) Order of Miss Ruby T. Gilbert, 131 Wabash avenue, Chicago, Ill. "An American Problem," by Mrs. C. S. Dauks (Foreigners). Price, 3c each. Order of Mrs. Mary B. Wilson, 4734 Hazel avenue, Philadelphia.

For Flower Mission Day. Life sketch of Jennie Casseday, 3c or \$1.00 per 100. Flower Mission Scripture text cards, 25c per 100. Order of Miss Ruby T. Gilbert, 131 Wabash avenue, Chicago.

For July 4 arrange a Temperance Rally. Interest societies, lodges, etc.; secure a good band and a great speaker. Crowds of people will come. The receipts from the "eating stands" and other "privileges" will guarantee all the money needed, provided, of course, that the same energy and ability is exercised in advertising that is used by the "show" concerns everywhere. This campaign year July 4th will be pre-empted by others if our temperance people do not act early. Secure grounds; secure bands and speakers. The way to succeed is to succeed.

July 20 is Loyal Temperance Legion Day.

Temperance Sunday June 28. Ask the privilege of distributing a temperance leaflet in the Sunday School, and another kind in the church on that morning. A few cents spent by you for leaflets and wisely distributed may wonderfully help some good men to get stirred to action on temperance.

INDIANA LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

My Dear Legioners:

"All Aboard for Convention."

Such ought to be the arousing cry of every Legioner these days. For it is just about a month now till we will all gather at Marion, Ind., on June 16, 17 and 18, in our Fourteenth Annual Convention. This is to be held in the Friends church, corner of 38th and Harmon streets. Begin to plan now for the "best convention we have ever had." Let every Legion be represented. One Legion writes they are planning to send twenty-five delegates. Think of it! Shall the rest of us let that Legion put us in the shade? Not if we are Loyal Legioners, and can help it, I'm sure.



MRS. ELLA KROFT,
State Superintendent Anti-Narcotics.

Call a meeting at once to decide how many and who are going from your place, then send names of same to chairman of entertainment committee, Mrs. C. C. Thomas, 3426 South Boots street, Marion. Do this at once. Then go to work in earnest on Crusader Monthly, Dues, Diploma, Seal Course and Departmental work. Rush this work as you never have before. Let's not have one thing unfinished. Review the year's work in your local, and if you see any department that has not been worked as it should have been, throw yourselves into that department and do something yet; much can be done in a month. Dozens of Crusader Monthly subscriptions ought to be sent to Miss Hazel Hunt, Marion, before June 16th. Every penny of dues must be collected. We need the money badly. And who is to do all this? Not the General State Secretary, nor the State President, nor the State Treasurer, but you—you to whom this letter is sent. Soon the department report blanks will be sent you. Fill these out promptly and fully and return to the State Superintendents. The least little delay may keep them from getting in the state report. One more very important thing. Few Legions have made donations to the State Treasury this year. As State President, I appeal to every Legion in Indiana to make a donation of from 50 cents to \$5.00 within the next two or three weeks. Send same to Nathan Lemfesty, 625 west 4th street, Marion, Ind. Hoping to see many of the Legioners very soon, with prayers for our work. Loyally,
DE ETTE WALKER, State President.

DEPARTMENT OF ANTI-NARCOTICS.

Not long since a brother said to me: "You may destroy all the whisky, alcohol and beer, but do let tobacco alone. I can't get along without my tobacco." I said: "Do you know that according to our best authorities the degenerating effect of tobacco is worse than that of liquor?"

I am pleased to say that the women of the W. C. T. U. are in open hostility to the use of tobacco in all its forms. We will not be willing to tolerate the evil a day longer than we are compelled to. We only want to do our brothers a great kindness. We do not want to deprive them of anything that would be for their good physically and spiritually. We want to help them save their money, their time and their physical and mental ability. Men want to be kind, generous and courteous. If some would only stop and think, they would soon find that they are not so kind, generous and courteous as they might be. We have gone into homes of the poor and needy; have carried to them the necessities of life or some article of clothing for an invalid mother or daughter, as the case may be, and while in such homes trying to alleviate pain and suffering, to be tormented with tobacco juice or the smoke from a cigar or old pipe, we are led to say that these people are not as kind and generous as they ought to be. And they know, too, that their loved ones are worried over their waste of money and their bad and filthy habits, saying nothing of the positive injury to the sick ones in the home. As for myself, I must confess that it takes a double portion of God's grace to endure these things and keep sweet, or to be thrown for two or three hours in some railroad depot and have men that claim to be gentlemen puffing away at an old pipe or cigar. This seems very discourteous to me. We ought at all times use our personal influence against the great evil. We can do this by speaking in a mild, kindly way.

We have an excellent tobacco and cigarette law in our state, but we need better enforcement. We believe that cigarettes are not legitimate articles of commerce, because they are wholly noxious and deleterious to health. Their use is always harmful and never beneficial. They possess no virtue, but are inherently bad, and bad only. They find no true commendation, merit or usefulness in any sphere. On the contrary, they are widely condemned as altogether pernicious. Beyond

question their every tendency is toward impairment of physical strength and mental vigor.

George Baumhoff, superintendent of Lindell Railroad, St. Louis, says: "Under no circumstances will I hire a man who smokes cigarettes. He is as dangerous at the front end of the motor as the man that drinks. In fact he is more dangerous; his nerves are liable to give way at a critical moment. A motorman needs his nerve all the time. A cigarette smoker can not stand the strain."

George Torrence, superintendent of Illinois State Reformatory, Pontiac, Ill., says: "I am sure that cigarettes are destroying and making more criminals of boys than the saloons. Cigarettes are not the effect of crime, but the cause of it."

While we are working against the tobacco evil, let us not forget, or rather neglect, to fight against opium and kindred drugs. The use of cocaine is on the increase. Poor and ignorant people are using it extravagantly. Do not let the cigarette absorb all others. Remember almost all kinds of headache medicines contain some injurious drugs. The Massachusetts State Board of Health decided after an investigation that the following drugs among many others contain opium: Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, Piso's Cure for Consumption, Jane's Expectorent, Perry Davis' Pain Killer and Coe's Cough Balsam.

The Second Quarterly Sunday School Temperance day, June 8, is Anti-Cigarette day. Plan largely. Pledge every boy and girl you can possibly reach, hold mass meetings with the children, urge ministers to preach on the subject and present the work in the Sunday School. Make much of this day.

Every Union ought to have a Superintendent of Anti-Narcotics. Consult your State Superintendent. She has her own special plans. These should be carefully followed by the local workers. Your Superintendent will be glad to hear from you; write and tell her what you have done in this department; carefully report every item, no matter how small, to State Superintendent, that she may have a full report to go to the National Superintendent of Anti-Narcotics.

Dear sisters of the Local Unions, upon you rests the responsibility of teaching the people the evil effects of narcotics and of showing them how to fight these drugs. Send for literature, tobacco pledges, copies of state tobacco law, hold public meetings devoted to this subject. May you be alive to your opportunities and help hasten the day when narcotics will be unknown in our bright and beautiful land.

For information write Mrs. Ella Kroft, State Superintendent Anti-Narcotics, Fairfield, Franklin County, Ind., or Brookville, R. R. No. 2.

FRANCHISE DEPARTMENT.

We have sent the petitions to every county in the state; two for each Local Union. Now for a signing crusade. Begin immediately and keep it up until you have asked every person in your community to sign this petition. We want municipal suffrage. Let us ask for it. The Legislature will be influenced by names signed to the petitions; a great number will bring the victory. There will be given, at the State Convention, three premiums. One to the county having the greatest number of men's signatures to the petition. Another to the county having the greatest number of signatures to the petition. Another to the County Superintendent sending in the best report of Franchise work done during the year. It means work, for we must have the reports this year by the 10th of September if they are "counted in." Who will be the winners. If you need more petition blanks send for them; also instructions or information, literature, etc.

MRS. LIDA OUTLAND, State Supt.

Upland, Ind.

FLOWER MISSION DAY JUNE 9.

The Gospel of our Flower Mission work is needed everywhere.

Every Union and almost every family included in the W. C. T. U. membership can do some special Flower Mission work on Tuesday, June 9.

Mothers, sisters and Sunday School teachers, you can enlist the interest and help of the boys and girls. To do this will be of far-reaching benefit. Flowers are scarce; instead use fruits, candies, jellies, dainty desserts, cakes and cookies; always tying a Scripture text card on the gift. Besides the fruits and delicacies, small scrap books, books, interesting clippings, or personally written letters will be greatly appreciated. In Indiana our W. C. T. U. should so systematically plan that Flower Mission Day will be observed, if ever so humble and simple, in every orphan's home, poor farm and jail. The street car employes, the old people and the "shut ins" should be remembered. Growing plants taken to the offices and places of business of those men who have loyally helped our cause will only be a little expression of appreciation. Especially in this connection should our friends the ministers, the teachers, the physicians and the editors be considered.

The Unions should keep a supply of the Scripture text cards on hand. They are very inexpensive and can carry a Gospel message where it may help a soul on to heaven.

FLOWER MISSION.

Our red letter day will soon be here—June 9. The birthday of our sainted Jennie Casseday. Let each Local Superintendent arrange for a special Flower Mission meeting on June 9, and I trust

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there will be thousands of bouquets distributed on that day. And let a text card and white ribbon bow go with each bouquet. The object of the Flower Mission is something more than to give momentary pleasure. Eternity alone will reveal the spiritual ministrations, personal kindness, the tender care and sympathy bestowed by those who carry out the flowers.

Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ."

Lovingly,
VIOLA R. HARVEY, State Supt.
Mooreville, Ind.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION CONVENTION.

The Fourteenth Annual Convention of the Indiana Loyal Temperance Legion will be held at the Friends church, corner of 38th and Harmon streets, Marion, Indiana, on June 16, 17 and 18, 1908. The chairman of the entertainment committee is Mrs. C. C. Thomas, 3426 South Boots street, Marion. The names of all delegates must be sent to her as soon as possible. Let us make this the grandest convention in the history of our Legion. A splendid program is being prepared. Marion knows just how to do things and you will be royally entertained. Come and catch the irresistible spirit of enthusiasm and work. Get into the greatest battle that was ever waged for humanity now, for 'twill soon be too late. The call has come for the young people at the head of the ranks. May not one delay! Let every White Ribboner and friend of temperance who possibly can be with us on June 16, 17 and 18 at Marion, Indiana. The dinners at the L. T. L. convention will be served two days at 20 cents each. Loyally,
DE ETTE WALKER, State L. T. L. Pres.

WANTED FOR HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Ten Unions in the state to contribute one rug each, and ten Unions to contribute each a single white bed spread, and help us in our spring cleaning to beautify the home. Try a donation party for Hadley as a social for your Union. Please continue to send your offerings.

CLARA M. SEARS, Treasurer.

Oklahoma—Kansas' southern neighbor, adopted prohibition September 17, 1907, by 18,000 majority. Oklahoma City, the state metropolis, under license (November 17 to December 7, 1906) reported 224 arrests, 150 for drunkenness. Under prohibition, November 17 to December 7, 1907, total arrests 138, for drunkenness, 11.

"The official records show that during the year after the closing of the saloons, from July 1, 1906, to July 1, 1907, Kansas City showed an increase of 209.7 per cent. in building operations, the largest of any city in the Union. The next largest gain was 77 per cent. Three times as many laboring men bought homes in our town last year as ever before in its history.

"The closing of the saloons has reduced our court expenses \$25,000 a year, which was formerly spent in the prosecution of criminals.

FIELD NEWS

The Vanderburgh County Institute was held April 25th in Rest Room, Evans Hall, Evansville, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley presiding. Opening was with devotional exercises, led by Mrs. M. Hargrave. Mrs. Stanley then spoke of W. C. T. U. plans of work, State and National. Mrs. Lydia Ashby spoke of W. C. T. U. publications, saying many were discouraged because they did not read the papers, so did not know of the great advance made. Mrs. Jennie K. Pattison read a paper on "Causes That Led to Woman's Suffrage Movement." Chief cause being the low estimate of women which had come down from Oriental polygamy. Mrs. Stanley, in her usual fluent and forcible manner, outlined the plans for the state campaign for woman's suffrage. In the afternoon session Mrs. Stanley and a number of the ministers of the city joined in an enthusiastic discussion of the outlook for prohibition in Indiana. Miss Hannah Calahan sang "The Little Teetotaler." In the evening at Evans Hall Mrs. Stanley discussed "The Liquor Traffic From a Business Standpoint." At 10:30 a. m. Sunday Mrs. Stanley spoke at the First Baptist church on "The Foe of the Church, the School and the Home." Her address on Sunday afternoon was the "The Coming of Victory." At Howell M. E. church, 7:30 p. m., "Perils of Our Civilization and Their Remedy." On April 25th the W. C. T. U. of Evansville, Ind., celebrated the third anniversary of the opening of their lunch and rest room. A number were present; a pleasing program was rendered, after which refreshments were served. Mrs. Mary B. Jenner, Superintendent, reported a large increase of patronage during the present year. Over 16,000 meals were served. And a number of donations to charity had been made.

Lafayette—Wednesday evening, April 22, Mrs. Ray L. Stinespring, County Medal Contest Superintendent, held a Matron's Silver Medal contest in Trinity M. E. church of Lafayette. The class consisted of six ladies. Mrs. A. M. King of West Lafayette won the medal.

Mrs. E. E. Blake, legislative campaign manager for Illinois Prohibition committee, has engaged ten of our Indiana college prohibition men for summer field work in Illinois. My, how Indiana

needs the efforts of these and other prohibition college young men.

Van Buren—The W. C. T. U. of Van Buren held a very enthusiastic meeting recently at the M. E. church. Mrs. Lulu E. Shugart, County President, and Mrs. Sarah E. Edgerton, County Evangelist, of Grant county, were present. A mothers' meeting in the afternoon, addressed by both ladies, was well attended, and seven new members were added to our Union. In the evening a mass meeting was held, addressed by Mrs. Shugart and Mrs. Edgerton, also Rev. Murray, of the M. E. church, and Rev. Anderson, of the Christian church. We expect to hold another meeting of the same character soon.

South Bend—The Pleasant View W. C. T. U. held a Sabbath Observance meeting in April at the home of Mrs. John Rennor on Diamond avenue, with a large attendance. The subject was ably handled and six new members were added to the roll. May 5th a praise meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Jacob Miller, pleading for and acknowledging the God-given rest day. May 13th, at the home of Mrs. John Staples, the subject, "Temperance the Hope of the World," was ably handled by the ladies, and a chart talk on "Sabbath Observance" by Mrs. Kathryn Holler, State Superintendent, could not have been better. Her presence and talk were greatly appreciated by all.

Danville—A reception given by the Danville W. C. T. U. in honor of the new members, won through the membership contest plan, was held at the home of the Local President, Mrs. David Mills, on the afternoon of May 7th. An interesting program had been prepared and many guests invited. Rev. Sarah Hadley conducted the devotions. A hearty welcome was given the new members by the President. Response to the welcome was by Mrs. Randolph, one of the new members, who also sang a beautiful solo, "Nearer, Lord, to Thee." Mrs. Retta Jones, of Alexandria, was present and made a pleasing address. Seventeen new members were added to our number, one dear sister giving her name and a five dollar bill at this reception. Refreshments consisting of Neapolitan cream, cake and coffee were served by the Reds, the Blues having gained the most members. Much interest was manifested, and this Union will be a strong factor in Hendricks county.

The Greencastle W. C. T. U. is holding monthly temperance meetings in the assembly room of the court house on Sunday afternoon. Dr. Vandyke of the Presbyterian church spoke at the April meeting on "The Progress of the Temperance Reform." Temperance meetings are not popular in this college town. The Methodist school, DePauw University faculty gives little attention to the subject. To get the co-operation of those whom it would be expected would work the hardest against the liquor business in Greencastle is indeed a problem. An educational or literature campaign for no license is being quietly conducted under the leadership of Rev. A. T. Riley. The work has continued for several months and is having good effect. Two-page temperance bulletins, containing much up-to-date information, are being systematically distributed at stated times. Perhaps there is no place in all Indiana where the people are more "conservative" on real temperance issues than in Greencastle. Rev. A. T. Riley and his committee have had some financial help from people outside of Greencastle in order to be able to carry on their literature campaign. Brother Riley is a man of superior attainments and ability; is an earnest, enthusiastic and indefatigable worker. To him is due much of the credit of work planned and done. Any Union desiring to conduct a literature no license campaign can get much information from Rev. A. T. Riley, Greencastle.

Washington County W. C. T. U. Institute met in the Christian church at Campbellsburg May 7-8 and was one of the most interesting and helpful meetings that has been held for a long time. The good citizens of Campbellsburg and our efficient leader, Mrs. Rose Pearce, deserve much credit for the success of the meeting. Notwithstanding the inclement weather, there was a good attendance each day. The entertainment Thursday night was something for the W. C. T. U. to be proud of. Music, with Mrs. Lydia Hiles of Campbellsburg presiding at the organ; recitation by Mr. Hugh Lippen, Salem; Reading, Miss Cook, Campbellsburg; recitation, Mrs. Eva Chamberlain, Campbellsburg; music, male quartet, Campbellsburg; recitation, Viletta Brown, Campbellsburg; reading by Rev. Erickson, Campbellsburg; recitation, Mrs. Glass, Campbellsburg; quartet by Jean brothers, Campbellsburg; talk by Mrs. Rose Pearce, which was enjoyed by all. At the close of the meeting Friday afternoon the County President, Mrs. Fannie B. Ellis, of Salem, had the privilege of pinning the white ribbon on six new members, while all joined in singing "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow."

The Liberty Center W. C. T. U. met April 7 at the beautiful country home of Luella McElhaney. There were twenty-five ladies present. The Lesson Franchise facts was discussed. The most interesting feature of the meeting was the deciding of the membership contest, which proved that those wearing the blue ribbon received ten new members and those wearing the red ribbon twenty-three, making thirty-three new members, which more than doubled the original number. The ladies then proceeded to carry out their agreement that those receiving the most new members should give a public entertainment and those the

fewest to serve refreshments to all. Accordingly at the next regular meeting, May 5th, at the Baptist church, Mrs. Fannie Garrett, ex-president of the Union, and captain of the blue side, assisted by Flo Carroll, Ida Popejoy, Belle Gaskill, Carrie Lee, Susan Sliger, Ida Thompson and Amanda Fudge served dainty refreshments. One new member, Mrs. Ida Gephart, was received at that meeting. The following Friday night the red side gave their entertainment at the Methodist church. Mrs. Jennie Merriman was captain of the red side. The church had been beautifully decorated in red and white bunting and carnations. The program was splendidly carried out. The music was furnished by the Union Chapel and the Boehmer male quartets, and the class furnished a few selections. The recitations were worthy of special note. The entertainment was one of the most successful that has been held in our little town. The new members were: Lucretia Ware, Lurana Buckner, Maria Prible, Anna Ware, Addie Gordon, Gertie Jones, Vada Reese, Ethel Jarrett, Ethel Helton, Mary Weldon, Myrtle Tinkle, Jane Marshall, Carrie Morris, Ida Romine, Ruie Garrett, Margaret Sturgis, Lizzie Dean, Florence Yelton, Nora Stinson, Belle Arnold, Vernoshia Brinneman, Fausta Griffin, Della Snaveley, Nellie Prible, Lizzie Coleman, Floretta Day, Nellie Crinn, Sarah Johnson, June Sturgis, Ruth Croasdale, Ida Thompson, John Prible and Charles Hartley. Two more new members have been taken in since, Mrs. Ida Gephart and Verna Johnson, making sixty-one members in all.

South Bend—The Week of Prayer was observed in South Bend by each of the four Unions of the city holding a prayer meeting on different evenings. On Wednesday evening, at their regular prayer meetings, the churches of the city took for their study "Sabbath Observance." The preachers were asked to preach on "Sabbath Observance" on Sunday, May 3d. The work is being pushed wherever we see an opportunity to do so. Not only are the Unions active in that department, but we have been the means of getting different church organizations, such as the Ladies' Aid and Missionary Societies, to take up Sabbath observance as a study.

Bright Union held a very successful membership contest. The Union was equally divided, with Mrs. George Morgan captain of the Reds, and Mrs. T. B. Gibson captain of the Blues. On the appointed day it was found that the Blues were the victors, they having gained thirteen new members and the Reds twelve. The contest being so close it was unanimously decided that both sides unite and give a dinner and reception. The hall dinner was served to about 125 members and friends. A short program was greatly enjoyed. Bright Union has also just held a rally of four night meetings. The first night was given to "Sabbath Observance," with Mrs. T. N. Todd chairman. Rev. M. G. Long, of the Christian church of Hanson, delivered an excellent address. The second night the L. T. L., senior and junior, gave the program; Mrs. J. R. Liddle, Superintendent of the Senior L. T. L., chairman. The third night was given to Hadley Industrial School, with Mrs. G. E. Heiskell chairman. A paper on the school, written by Miss Jennie Morgan, and read by Mrs. George Morgan, was the feature of the program. An offering was taken for the school. The fourth evening closed the rally with a contest; proceeds for county work. There were seven contestants; six married ladies and one gentleman.

Elkhart—On May 5th a very profitable and entertaining meeting was held by Mrs. R. C. Travis, our energetic County Sabbath Observance Superintendent, at her home, 309 Main street. The meeting had been much "talked up" and planned, invitations having been sent to Goshen and South Bend Unions. The day was anything but pleasant, but the white ribboners are not afraid of pure water, plenty of it, so undaunted they came, until nearly fifty were present. Mrs. M. E. McCaskey, President of the Goshen Union, led the devotion and was in charge of the meeting. "Are the Christian People of the Nation to Blame for Sabbath Desecration?" was the title of a good paper by Mrs. Young, of Goshen. After this the meeting was turned into a conference. A question box proved very instructive, and we were most fortunate in having with us Mrs. Katherine Holler, of South Bend, our loyal and ever busy State Superintendent of Sabbath Observance. She proved herself equal to the occasion, and gave most helpful answers and suggestions along lines of work and law. We saw in many instances that tact must be used as well as watchfulness and prayer if we would win in what we undertake, for we find that there are others who are taking advantage of every opportunity to overpower the right. "All at it and always at it," would be a good motto for Christian people in this fight for temperance and right living. During the social hour a dainty luncheon was served by the hostess, showing again that Madam Travis does not do by halves what she undertakes. In the evening there was a meeting held in the same interest in the beautiful home of Mrs. M. A. Deal, where about sixty gathered to hear an interesting program, the principal speaker being Hon. Charles Holler, of South Bend, who gave us "The Signs of the Times" in such a way that our eyes were opened to the strategy used along some lines in a way we had not thought of before. This address was followed by Rev. C. E. Rice, pastor of the Lutheran church, who gave us a short, crisp, right-to-the-point talk on "Sabbath Observance." Meetings

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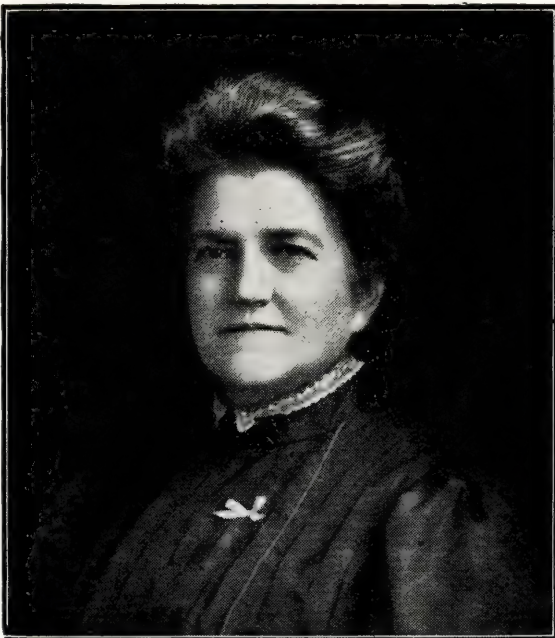
like this along department lines tend to bring us to a sense of duty as well as to make us more sociable, and get better acquainted.

Mrs. Martha Gipe, President of Marion County W. C. T. U., organized a Union May 10th in the Bethel Church near New Augusta, Ind., with nineteen regular and eight honorary members. The women were so much in earnest that they came to the organization meeting with the white ribbon on. Surely much may be expected from a band of women with the enthusiasm manifested by this new Union. The officers are: President, Mrs. Bertha Lemon; Vice-President, Mrs. Blanche Hollingsworth, both of New Augusta; Recording Secretary, Miss Effie Wisely, Clermont; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Ethel Kissel, Haughville Station; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary Shaw, Clermont. The Union will meet at the homes of the members once a month.

Bartholomew County Institute was held at Hope, with the intention of reviving the old Union that had gone down. We had a good program. A lecture in the evening by Mrs. Retta Jones, leader, on the subject, "What the W. C. T. U. Stands For," was well attended and enjoyed. The all-day session was well attended and much enthusiasm displayed. Our State President was with us and presented the "Franchise" subject in her usual forcible manner. Other speakers were Rev. Layton, Rev. Harlow, O. B. Bannon, chairman of the Prohibition party of this county and Mrs. Alice Redmon. We had the co-operation of ministers and Prohibitionists. The Institute closed with a grand Gold Medal contest, held by Contest Superintendent Mrs. Minerva Cummins and Miss Birdella Beam. There was a large audience. The Moravian choir, with soloist Miss Reggenas, of Hope, furnished music during the session. The medal was awarded to Miss Irene Clarkson, Columbus. Enough names were given to organize a new Union, which will be done in the near future. The Institute was a success. We feel much good is being done in our county.

Gibson County Institute was held in the Broadway Presbyterian church in Princeton April 20-21. Mrs. Lizzie Pfohl, County President, was in the chair for the business session. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, State Vice-President, was Institute leader. "The Union Signal" and "Crusader Monthly" were subjects of papers by Mrs. May Stormont and Mrs. J. G. Brown. Mrs. Lizzie Metcalf read a good paper on "Proportionate Giving." "Training for Character," by Mrs. Eva Carithers; "Is Irreverence Increasing Among Children?" by Emma McCurdy, and "Home Attractions to Counteract Outside Attractions," by Mrs. Law, were instructive and to the "point" in their respective subjects. "The Effects of the Cigarette Upon the Growing Boy" was ably handled by Mrs. Sarah Simpson, followed by a discussion. A parliamentary drill was led by Mrs. Stanley. Mr. George Newman spoke entertainingly on "When This State Expects to Have Prohibition." "The Church's Opportunity" by Rev. Gaiser and Rev. Law was ably presented. The devotional services were led by Mrs. S. J. Simpson. On one evening a Silver Medal contest was held, Miss Ruth Guthrie won the medal, and on the other evening Mrs. Stanley delivered a splendid lecture to a very appreciative audience. Throughout the entire Institute Mrs. Stanley's help was invaluable. With strong convictions, a great fund of information and with rare ability as a speaker, Mrs. Stanley was ever interesting and helpful.

Marion County Business Conference and Institute was held in the M. E. church at Ben Davis, a station five miles west of Indianapolis on the interurban line. Weather fine; attendance surprisingly large during the two days. The grand Gold Medal contest, held on the evening of the first day, was largely attended. The program was in charge of Mrs. Mary Clark Brown, County Superintendent of Contest Department. The contestants accredited themselves well. The son of Dr. Jennings won the medal. At the business session much practical business was transacted, encouraging plans were adopted and an aggressive spirit evident in all the business. The Institute leader, Miss Mary E. Woodard, and the County President, Mrs. Martha L. Gipe, were at their best. Many departments were presented and methods discussed. Medical Temperance is a subject of great interest to Marion county. The subject "Should the Church Papers Advertise Patent Medicines Which Contain Opium or Alcohol?" was earnestly discussed. Leader, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, our former able State Superintendent of Medical Temperance. The parliamentary drill elicited much interest. Symposium: "Training for Character," by Mrs. Agnes Sherwood, Miss Woodard and Dr. Martha Keller, was worthy of a state convention audience. The evangelistic service by Miss Della Brown, and devotions led by Mrs. Kate Carr, Mrs. Fannie Kelso and Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, were of unusual interest. The short address on "Proportionate Giving," by Rev. Mary Cox, was especially helpful. Scientific Temperance teaching and the Crusader Monthly elicited much deep interest. Mrs. W. A. Cox, Superintendent, is pushing the work. Equal Suffrage in many phases was discussed, Miss Woodard leading. Strong, able and effective speeches were made by Rev. L. C. Bently and Rev. Harry G. Hill upon phases of "The Church's Opportunity." "High License, High Treason Against the Best Interest of the State, the Church, the Home and the Individual," was the subject upon which Rev. E. S. Shumaker was invited to speak, but he declined, and Mr. F. T. McWhirter made a forceful, convincing short ad-



MISS ANNIE A. ROBBINS,
Formerly Chief Nurse United States Army Hospitals, now National Lecturer of Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

Miss Robbins was for four months chief of First Division Hospital, Seventh Army Corps, Jacksonville, Fla., and Savannah, Ga. One and one-half years chief of Santa Mesa United States Army Hospital, Manila, Philippine Islands. Seven months, Havana, Cuba.

On June 7th Miss Robbins will begin work in Indiana. She speaks on varied subjects. "Life in Manila," has been of great interest everywhere.

Now is the time to secure her. Write today to our State Corresponding Secretary, Miss Mary E. Woodard, Fountain City, Indiana.

dress upon the subject. A good chicken dinner was served at noon for 25 cents. There was great interest manifested in the Institute. The Unions of the county were well represented and the best people of Ben Davis encouraged by their presence and help.

The President of Newberg Union, which was organized a year ago, writes thus of their work: "Our Union is growing; we started with nine members and now have twenty. We have not done very much active work, but I think paying our dues, and meeting for prayer, and having our meetings regularly announced from the pulpits of our churches is itself a steady protest against the great curse. We have circulated the Sunday School pledge cards in each of our three Sunday Schools; have lately taken steps to have temperance songs in at least one of them; we have put the Crusader Monthly in the hands of our school teachers, and have six other subscribers. We had Mrs. Maud Green and Miss Henderson for three services and two of us helped to circulate the remonstrance lately, which won by twenty-six majority. Public sentiment is growing in Newberg.

Madison Victory. April 15th occurred the trial of Mr. Lou Barnes, saloon keeper, to revoke license. Our local W. C. T. U. accepted the invitation of the president of the Civic League, who brought the charges, to be present. We went in a body. Twenty-six women, all wearing the white ribbon, filed into the court room. As we were marching in a saloon bum began to count us. After doing this for a little time and still the women kept coming, he exclaimed: "Well, gee whiz, how many are there; about nine hundred?" So God multiplied us in the sight of our enemies. He gave us the victory, too, for the mayor revoked the license. We are conducting a column in one of our local papers, which goes by rural route all over our county. Thus we are lining up for a dry county. Mr. Chapman, editor of the Daily Democrat, has given us permission to use this column. Since doing this all his saloon subscribers have dropped his paper. He deserves a great deal of praise, and temperance people all over Jefferson county should subscribe for the Democrat.

Notice—Dear Sisters, I want to thank you who have assisted me by sending the names and addresses of saloon keepers. I appreciate the effort you have made and God will bless you. He is blessing me in my part of the work. But as I am a crippled invalid and can't walk a step or help myself in the least, all I can do in this great struggle of right against wrong I must do sitting in my chair, as I have done for ten years. I haven't much I can put into public work, and if this letter crusade continues I must look to you to send me the means to help carry on the work. Names and addresses are coming in, five hundred from some places, and we are sending out letters as fast as we can, and have encouraging reports from them in some places. Those who have not sent names, will please send two cents for each name they send and the crusade will go on.

Your sister in Christ,

MRS. J. D. JOHNSON, Pennville, Ind.

Mrs. Jennie Ward, of Guilford, County L. T. L. Secretary, assisted by Mrs. Emma Siefferman, of

Bright, organized a Loyal Temperance Legion at Logan May 6th. Bright Legion is having a membership contest.

PROHIBITION STATE CONVENTION

Held in Indianapolis May 20th.—1,200 Delegates Present—Greatest Convention Ever Held in State.—Nomination of Following:

For Governor—Hon. Sumner W. Haynes, Portland.

Lieutenant-Governor—Dr. Abraham Huntsinger, Mishawaka.

Secretary of State—Wm. H. Hill, Vincennes.

Auditor of State—Dr. Henry Coons, Lebanon.

Treasurer—Wm. H. Crowder.

Attorney-General—Tillman E. Ballard.

Reporter Supreme Court—Benjamin F. Watson, Indianapolis.

Superintendent Public Instruction—Prof. Monroe Vayhinger.

State Statistician—Jesse B. Davis.

This is a strong ticket, headed by one of Indiana's strong, able lawyers, who is a Christian man. Hon. Sumner W. Haynes will lead this party to victory if the men who oppose the saloon in our state vote as they talk. Mrs. Haynes is one of our State W. C. T. U. Department Superintendents. She will preside with grace and dignity over the Executive mansion of Indiana. The W. C. T. U. of the state will do everything possible for the election of Mr. Haynes and the men sharing with him the honors of this ticket.

The state platform adopted is one that speaks with no uncertain sound concerning state-wide prohibition and equal suffrage.

The state platform is a broad and comprehensive document of twenty paragraphs, six of which point out phases of the drink problem, which make it the dominant state and national issue of the hour. The platform demands the repeal of the internal revenue tax on alcoholic liquors; immediate prohibition of the liquor traffic for beverage purposes; the complete prohibition of interstate traffic in intoxicants; points out that the liquor traffic is responsible in a large measure for the evil of child labor; that the social evil with its traffic in girls is associated with the traffic in intoxicants; that the present tendency to graft is directly traceable to the present conduct of the liquor business.

The platform declares for state-wide prohibition in Indiana, and points out the criminal complicity with the liquor traffic of the Democratic and Republican parties in these words:

"For half a century the policy of this state has been to perpetuate the liquor traffic by a license law which neither the Republican nor Democratic party proposes to change. This license system, which grants the privilege of creating criminals, paupers and lunatics, and causes deaths, divorces, misery and poverty, and barbers away the health and morals of the people, is a political crime. We declare that no legal power constitutionally exists to license the liquor traffic. We deny the right of Congress, the Legislature or the people of this state or any subdivision thereof, by majority vote or otherwise, to grant a privilege to any one to engage in a crime of such enormity. We propose to give the saloons no option, no respite, no choice and no quarter. We are in favor of prohibition in any and all the territory of the state or United States, but we are not in favor of giving consent to the existence of any saloon anywhere. It being generally conceded that a very large majority of the voters of Indiana are opposed to the saloon, we pledge our party, if placed in power, to the enactment and enforcement of a state-wide prohibition law."

In addition, the platform favors an equitable graduated income and inheritance tax; postal saving banks; greater protection for bank depositors; strict regulation of foreign corporations operating in Indiana; direct vote of the people for President, Vice-President and United States Senators; laws providing equal opportunities for capital and labor; adequate pensions for old soldiers; laws providing for the impeachment of public officials who fail to keep their oath of office; and a law empowering the Governor or Attorney-General to appoint special enforcement officers where regular officials are derelict.

Graft is condemned; universal suffrage favored, and reduction of official salaries urged.

Prof. Monroe Vayhinger is the president-elect of Taylor University, at Upland, Ind. He will be inaugurated president at commencement during the first week in June. Prof. Vayhinger has been nominated for Superintendent of Public Instruction by the Prohibitionists, and he must be elected. He is a scholarly, capable man, for years held the chair of Hebrew in Moore's Hill College, and is now the newly elected president of Taylor University. His splendid wife, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, is our State W. C. T. U. President. **He must be elected.** Our W. C. T. U. women can do much toward his election. His influence as Superintendent of Public Instruction would count for a strong enforcement of our Scientific Temperance Instruction law.

The Candidate for Reporter of Supreme Court, Hon. Benjamin F. Watson, is an able lawyer, the author of law books, has served on the bench in Indianapolis with credit. Mr. and Mrs. Watson are both members of the W. C. T. U.

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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EIGHT PROHIBITION STATES.

Maine, Kansas, North Dakota, Georgia, Oklahoma, Alabama, Mississippi, North Carolina.
North Carolina voters ratified the prohibitory law referred to them by the last legislature on May 26th by a majority of over 40,000. The law to go into effect January 1, 1909.

A POEM.

Prohibition's sun is rising,
And it soon will brightly shine
With a rich and fadeless glory,
O'er this world now steeped in crime.

Mothers' prayers are fast ascending
To the Father's throne above,
For the safety of their children
Cradled in the arms of love.

For they know the chains of darkness
Soon will bind their loved ones low
If the earnest hearted Christians
Fail to vote the saloon must go.

Hasten then the gladsome moment
When our anxious hearts shall know
That our lovely sons and daughters
Shall be free the dreaded foe.

And the homes that now are blighted
By the cruel curse of rum
Be made happy by the music
To the words of "Home, Sweet Home."

Hark! I hear the distant toling
Of the liquor's funeral knell,
And I wait in breathless silence
For its long and last farewell.

O, 'tis coming! God in mercy
Soon will set the captives free,
Then the golden bells of heaven
Will ring out sweet liberty.

—Mrs. Tilman Hobson.

Congress, by a vote of 167 to 42, refused to re-establish the canteen in Soldiers' Homes.

The Nashville Tennessean, The Chattanooga Star and the Knoxville Sentinel, three of the most influential and best known daily newspapers of the South, are the "big three" press champions of prohibition in Tennessee. With the Georgian, of Atlanta, the News of Birmingham, the News of Charlotte, S. C., they share the glory of leading the battle in the South against the drink traffic.

"Prohibition Don't Prohibit," so says the man who does not want prohibition. Internal revenue figures show a great decline in the quantity of whiskey and beer being made.

The internal revenue receipts from whisky of the United States government are showing a striking shrinkage.

January, 1908, shows a shrinkage as compared with January, 1907, of \$502,114, divided as follows: Whisky, \$479,533; beer, \$22,581.

February, 1908, shows a shrinkage, compared with February, 1907, of \$1,322,157, divided thus: Whisky, \$1,134,868; beer, \$187,289.

March, 1908, shows a falling off, compared with March, 1907, of \$3,035,472, divided as follows: Whisky, \$2,543,210; beer, \$492,262.

The average monthly decrease for the past nine months has been only \$937,262.

ONE DAY IN SEVEN IS SACRED, SAYS JACKSON.

Kansas City Judge is Champion of Sunday Laws Arraigns the Avaricious.

Judge William H. Wallace, of the Jackson Criminal Court, who has been credited with having started the Sunday observance movement that now has become widespread, has issued a statement on his interpretation of the Missouri law. He arraigns those who he says violate the law for pecuniary gain, and dwells upon what he says is a crying need of one day of rest out of every seven.

As a result of Judge Wallace's campaign the county grand jury has returned indictments against violators of the Sunday law, forced hundreds of shopkeepers to close their places of business on that day, and placed over half a thousand Sunday-working actors, theatrical managers and their employes and others under bond for hearing later. The judge says he will not cease his efforts until the law is respected to the letter.

Judge Wallace has for many years been one of

the foremost lawyers in the state and has always fought for law enforcement. He was appointed to his present position by Governor Folk.

An Old Institution.

Judge Wallace in his statement says:
"It is a mistake to suppose that the Sabbath is purely a religious institution and that its enforced observance is for the benefit of the church. The Sabbath was ordained before man had fallen or there was a church or the need for a Redeemer. By divine example the Almighty ordained it by resting from the work of creation on the seventh day and He impressed forever its sacred character by hallowing it. The Sabbath would be with us had sin never entered the world. Justice Field, so long a member of our United States Supreme Court, was right when as one of the Supreme judges of California he declared that Sunday laws are enacted primarily for the protection of labor. We can not wonder, therefore, that men who work for wages in all the departments of human industry are sending in the unanimous indorsement of the labor unions to which they belong.

The Guns of Avarice.

"Nor should we wonder that avarice is turning its guns upon the friends of Sunday observance. It can on Sunday glut its ravenous maw with more of the wages that have been paid the laborer than on any other three days of the week combined. The Sunday theatre, as rich a harvest as the Sunday saloon, is proof of this fact."

Judge Jackson says that upon the two doctrines that the constitution of man requires and the word of God commands one day in seven as a day of rest are grounded the Sunday statutes of the several States of the Union. He says that as the abuse of the liquor traffic is aiding the cause of prohibition, so the open and defiant desecration of the Sabbath is opening the eyes of men to the importance of Sunday observance.

WINONA TEMPERANCE CONFERENCE.

Program is by far the most representative and best ever arranged for Indiana people. Our temperance people will attend in great numbers. This is the time to take the young people to Winona for a week, if possible, otherwise take them for a few days.

W. C. T. Unions in the northern half of Indiana should plan to go in parties. Be sure to hear the speakers on Sunday, the 12th, and then stay just as long as possible. If our forces rally at Winona during Temperance Week as they can do, great enthusiasm will result from this wonderful week's program. Enthusiasm that will help to make Indiana dry. For this purpose we need the young men. We need their splendid interest and ability. We should have one thousand first voters at Winona during this Temperance Week.

We should have one thousand high school and college and other young women at Winona during this Temperance Week.

The young people want to go to Winona. All that is necessary is for the older folks to make the plans and give them the outing. Right now is the time to make arrangements to spend some time at Winona.

First Annual Conference, July 12 to 18.

Dr. George R. Stuart, Chairman and Director of Program; Prof. E. O. Excell, Director of Music; special music by the Dailey Quartette, of Philadelphia.

Sunday, July 12.

- 11:00 a.m. Sermon by Bishop Charles B. Gallo-way, of Mississippi.
- 2:30 p.m. Address by Hon. Geo. W. Bain, of Kentucky. Subject: "The Problem of the Young Man."
- 8:00 p.m. Sermon by Dr. Geo. R. Stuart, Cleveland, Tenn.

Monday, July 13.

- 9:00 a.m. Messages from "Dry States."
- 10:00 a.m. Address by Hon. Seaborn Wright, of Rome, Ga. Subject: "Freedom Under the Constitution."
- 2:30 p.m. Address by Hon. Oliver W. Stewart, of Chicago.
- 4:00 p.m. Workers' Conference.
- 7:30 p.m. Musical Prelude. Prof. E. O. Excell and E. A. Allen, leaders. The Dailey Quartette, Special Soloists.
- 8:00 p.m. Address by Hon. R. B. Glenn, Governor of North Carolina. Subject: "Are Our Young Men Safe, and How to Save Them."

Tuesday, July 14.

- 9:00 a.m. Messages from "Dry States."
- 10:00 a.m. Address by Prof. Chas. Scanlon, Pittsburg, Pa. Subject: "The Duty of the Church in Temperance Reform."
- 2:30 p.m. Address by Hon. J. Frank Hanley, Governor of Indiana.
- 4:00 p.m. Workers' Conference.
- 7:30 p.m. Musical Prelude. The Dailey Quartette.
- 8:00 p.m. Address by Dr. E. L. Eaton, Evans-

ton, Ill. Subject: "Dawn of the Great Reform."

Wednesday, July 15.

- 9:00 a.m. Conference of Workers. Symposium: "Medical Temperance," Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, National Treasurer; "Woman's Suffrage," Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, lecturer of Indiana; "Our Young People," Mrs. F. T. McWhirter, editor of The Message. Piano solo by Miss Grace Sttanley, Liberty, Ind.
- 2:00 p.m. Grand Diamond Medal Contest. Piano solo by Miss Stanley.
- 3:30 p.m. Address by Miss Belle Kearney, of Mississippi, National Lecturer.
- 7:30 p.m. Sacred Concert. E. O. Excell and E. A. Allen, leaders. The Dailey Quartette.

Thursday, July 16.

- 9:00 a.m. Messages from "Dry States."
- 10:00 a.m. Address by Hon. James A. Tate, Chancellor of American University, Harri-man, Tenn. Subject: "Fair Play."
- 2:00 p.m. Address by Hon. Edward W. Carmack, ex-United States Senator, of Tennessee. Subject: "The Making of a Man."
- 4:00 p.m. Workers' Conference.
- 7:30 p.m. Evening Musicales. E. O. Excell and E. A. Allen, leaders. The Dailey Quartette.
- 8:00 p.m. Address by Dr. Geo. R. Stuart, Cleveland, Tenn. Subject: "The Saloon and the Law."

Friday, July 17.

- 10:00 a.m. Address by Hon. F. S. Spence, Toronto, Canada. Subject: "Canada's Battle With the Liquor Traffic."
- 2:00 p.m. Address by Dr. Clinton N. Howard, Rochester, N. Y. Subject: "The Preacher and the Ethical Revival."
- 4:00 p.m. Workers' Conference. Address by Rev. H. H. Proctor, D. D., colored orator of Atlanta, Ga. Subject: "The Attitude of the Colored People Toward Temperance in the South."
- 7:30 p.m. Evening Musicales. E. O. Excell and E. A. Allen, leaders. The Dailey Quartette.

Saturday, July 18.

- 9:00 a.m. Messages from "Dry States."
- 10:00 a.m. Address by Hon. E. M. Webb, of Knoxville, Tenn. Subject: "Reasons for the South's Attitude on Temperance."
- 2:00 p.m. Address by Hon. E. W. Hoch, Governor of Kansas.
- 4:00 p.m. Address by Dr. John Kilgo, President Trinity College, Durham, N. C.
- 7:30 p.m. Evening Musicales. E. O. Excell, Conductor. The Dailey Quartette.
- 8:00 p.m. Address by Hon. Alfred L. Manierre, New York. Subject: "Drug and Liquor Legislation."

Bonfort's Wine and Spirit Circular, in its issue for May 25th, makes a frantic appeal for help to save the state of Tennessee from the Prohibitionists and help re-nominate Governor Patterson, who the liquor trade swears by as their "last chance" in that great commonwealth.

July 15th will be W. C. T. U. day at Winona Assembly, and a magnificent program has been prepared for the day. George R. Stuart, of Tennessee, Belle Kearney, of Mississippi, and a Grand Diamond Medal contest will be the chief attractions of the day. A conference of workers will be held from 10:00 a. m. to 11:00 a. m. The Grant County W. C. T. U. will run an excursion from Marion and expect to bring a great crowd.

No White Ribboner can afford to miss the day. Come and bring your baskets. The week from July 12-18 will be Temperance Week, and should be a great rally time for reformers of Indiana.

Culla J. Vayhinger.

POINTERS.

In North Carolina prohibition carried by 40,000 majority.

Illinois, April 7, voted out 1,500 saloons. Michigan spring elections put out of business 260 saloons and TWO breweries.

South Carolina's Republican and Democratic candidates for governor are out and out for temperance—one for local option, the other for state-wide prohibition.

Oregon, on June 1st, voted the saloon out, so that on July 1st nineteen counties out of a total of thirty-four will be dry.

Nebraska now has fifteen dry counties.

Dr. J. B. Cranfield, of Texas, says:
"It matters not, however, how many tricks the liquor power perpetrates in the South, for ultimately every saloon, every distillery, and every brewery is to be banished from all the Southern States, and I do not believe the time will be long delayed. The remarkable victory in North Carolina is but a forerunner of other victories that are sure to be achieved in the war of the South against the liquor traffic. When the South goes (Continued on Page Two.)"

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All moneys for whatever purpose, including the Hadley Industrial School, must be sent to Miss Clara M. Sears, the Treasurer, whose address is given above.

All material intended for publication must be in the hands of the editor before the 15th of the month.

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Engage the best speakers available for temperance picnics and rallies.

Now is the time to secure speakers for annual County Conventions, to be held in September.

Mrs. Harriet W. Brand, Treasurer of the National W. C. T. U., is critically ill in Evanston, Ill. Many Indiana friends and comrades will be grieved at this information. Mrs. Brand was officially connected with the Indiana W. C. T. U. for years, having resigned as State Corresponding Secretary to accept the office of Treasurer of the National W. C. T. U.

Notice—Material intended for publication in The Message should be sent to the editor. Correspondents who think to save trouble by sending articles for publication to the Treasurer, Miss Clara Sears, at Anderson—where The Message is printed—are only increasing the already heavy duties of our dear Treasurer. All articles of whatever nature intended for The Message that are mailed to Miss Sears are forwarded to the editor. If the extra time thus required prevents the insertion of such articles it is the fault of the correspondent. No item, notice, letter or article is published in The Message until after it goes through the hands of the editor, whose address is at the head of the first column on second page of The Message.

The famous address of Hon. E. W. Chafin at the Indiana Prohibition State Convention has been put in permanent leaflet form by the Patriot Phalanx in response to a tremendous demand for this masterpiece of prohibition logic. This large four-page leaflet is for sale at 75 cents per hundred; \$3.00 per five hundred. Address Patriot Phalanx, 117 W. Maryland St., Indianapolis, Ind. This address contains unanswerable arguments concerning every phase of the present political situation. One hundred copies wisely distributed among the thinking men and women of a community will do a great service to our state. If one hundred of these are ordered and distributed by a half dozen women in every county great results will follow.

The Fourteenth Annual Convention of the Loyal Temperance Legion of Indiana met in the Friends Church, South Marion, June 16, 17 and 18. At the first session of the convention the main feature was the President's annual address by Miss De Etta Walker. The recent wonderful victories for prohibition were rapidly reviewed, and some of the needs of the work pointed out. She passed on to the Home Legioners, the inspiration gained

at the National W. C. T. U. Convention at Nashville and urged the young people to work more zealously for victory in Indiana.

Tuesday evening the convention received a royal welcome. Mrs. C. W. Boucher, professor of oratory in Marion Normal College, in a splendid speech welcomed the convention on behalf of the W. C. T. U. Miss Hazel Hunt spoke for the L. T. L. and Miss Harriet Stockton, of Kokomo, responded to the addresses of welcome. The city was ably represented by Judge Marshall Williams, and the churches by Rev. Boyd Jones. These strong, helpful addresses greatly stimulated and encouraged the convention workers, and they could but wish that in every city there were such fearless, outspoken men to lead the temperance fight.

The officers elected for the coming year are: President, Miss De Ette Walker; Vice-President, Mr. Alfred Cowley; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Blanche Thorne; Recording Secretary, Miss Irma Smith; Treasurer, Mr. Harry Walsh, Bedford; Organizer, Miss Marie Leck, Indianapolis, Musical Director, Miss Hazel Hunt, Marion.

Several excellent reports of Superintendents of Departments were given, details of which will appear later.

A Gold Medal contest was arranged for Wednesday evening. Five young ladies took part. A young lady from Jonesboro won the medal. This was presented by Miss Addie Austin, Associate National Secretary, who, in many ways, was of great value in the convention. She had a table of temperance publications from the Ruby J. Gilbert publishing house of Chicago for the benefit of the wide-awake girls and boys of Indiana. After the contest a delightful reception was enjoyed at the home of Miss Irma Smith. Just here it may not be amiss to say that much credit is due Miss Smith for the success of the convention arrangements.

A pleasing incident of Wednesday afternoon was the presentation to the L. T. L. of three dear babies, their mothers reserving the privilege of bringing them up. Mrs. Mix tied the white ribbon on the right arm of each and prayers were offered consecrating them to the temperance cause. The Superintendents of Local Legions were called to the platform and introduced by Mrs. Mix in her happiest manner.

After the Alumni meeting at the close of the convention everybody went out to visit the National Soldiers' Home, and were much interested by what they saw.

The Putnam County delegation, including the State President and two State Superintendents, with their Local Superintendents, came to the platform and extended a cordial invitation for the next convention to meet in the classic city of Greencastle. This invitation was accepted, so let all Loyal Legioners plan to attend.

TO BEDFORD.

Every Union in Indiana is entitled to send delegates to the State Convention. The President and one delegate-at-large from every Union, and one delegate for every twenty paid regular members. Members should be considering how much it will mean to attend this convention and to take a boy or girl with them. At Chautauquas, rallies and picnics tell the temperance people about this state convention to be held at Bedford.

The Unions in the southern part of the state can greatly increase their usefulness by sending a full quota of delegates and by having the boys and girls and young folks attend.

NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The Committee on General Arrangements for the Prohibition National Convention at Columbus, July 15 and 16, have issued a timely memorandum of hotels, restaurants and boarding houses, with other information, which every one should have who expect to go and which will be sent on request. Address Hon. Charles R. Jones, 92 La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.

Many hundreds of our Indiana people will attend this convention. From every county in the state prominent citizens are going and will take their wives and young men sons with them.

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solid for prohibition, we are going to have a solid South worth talking about."

The latest figures from Birmingham, Ala., for five months of prohibition, from January 1 to June 1, 1908, are as follows:

Total Arrests			Arrests for Drunkenness		
License	Prohi.		License	Prohi.	
Month	1907	1908	Month	1907	1908
January	778	504	January	174	33
February	706	492	February	159	52
March	913	630	March	167	61
April	932	556	April	168	33
May	808	561	May	190	46

Totals ... 4137 2743 Totals ... 858 225

What prohibition is doing in Knoxville—The latest figures showing the number of arrests for drunkenness in Knoxville, Tenn., under prohibition and license, are as follows:

Prohibition.		License.	
Month	1908	Month	1907
January	79	January	172
February	106	February	216
March	112	March	229
April	105	April	207

Totals 402 824
The liquor traffic is beginning to realize its

peril, and will make a desperate struggle to save itself. It will have strong supporters, even among good men, as did slavery, and the struggle will be both hard and long; but in the end the saloon will be overthrown. The saloon, with its degrading and corrupting influence, must be destroyed in order that men and boys may be saved, women and children protected from poverty, shame, disgrace and sorrow, and the moral and economic advantage of the nation advanced.—Northwestern Christian Advocate.

"ATLANTA WINCES

After Four Month's Trial of Prohibition the Chamber of Commerce of Georgia's Leading City Protests—Retribution for Hoke Smith.

"At the regular meeting of the Atlanta, Ga., Chamber of Commerce held early in the month, that body unanimously declared against prohibition laws and called upon all business men and business bodies throughout Georgia to join them in a movement to bring about a modification of the liquor laws now in force."

The resolutions sub-joined to this declare that prohibition in Georgia is "illogical and impracticable," "operates against the welfare and material interests in the state," and "is detrimental rather than helpful to real temperance, and unwisely and unnecessarily restricts and retards the development of our state."

The same story is given prominent space in Mida's Criterion, the Chicago liquor magazine, in its issue for June 1, page 49.

Astonished by these resolutions, alleged to have been "unanimously adopted" by the Chamber of Commerce of Atlanta, we wrote to that body inclosing a copy of the resolutions as printed in Beverages, and received an immediate reply from Mr. W. G. Cooper, Secretary of the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, dated May 30, 1908, in which he says:

"The Atlanta Chamber of Commerce has adopted no such resolutions and none of that tenor have been offered. I understand that the resolutions quoted were adopted by the Savannah Chamber of Commerce.

As is well known, Savannah is dominated by the liquor interests, and is the one city where the immediate effectiveness of prohibition has been much in doubt on that account. The mere fact that the Chamber of Commerce of Atlanta, the leading city of the state, with a population double that of Savannah, has taken no such action and that the law has resulted in an astonishing drop in the figures for crime and drunkenness, is of no consequence to the liquor press, who are bent upon defending their business to the last hour of doom by every sort of falsehood which they can set in circulation.

No wonder the Atlanta Georgian, in its issue for June 4, in an editorial denouncing this libel on the city, to which the Associated Prohibition Press had called its attention, concludes with these words:

"If the matter printed in Beverages is all as grossly inaccurate and false as this, one can well imagine its value even to the interests it is presumed to represent. Indisputable records, printed time and time again in the Georgian, show that the prohibition act is being enforced here, and its beneficial effects are proven by the police and court records."

Governor Glenn Declares Prohibition Has Become a Business Issue—In an interview in the Atlanta Georgian, June 8th, Governor Glenn, of North Carolina, declared that there was no tendency towards re-action in his state on the prohibition question. "All three candidates for governor in the present campaign are committed to the enforcement of the present law. The people are awake upon the question of temperance. It is no longer a moral issue alone. It is a business and moral issue. The people are eliminating the saloon as a matter of business sagacity."

The Woman's Christian Temperance Unions of Columbus, Ohio, have arranged for a lecture by Dr. Wilbur F. Crafts, Superintendent of the International Reform Bureau, in that city on the evening of July 14th, preceding the Prohibition Convention. The lecture will be a non-partisan, but a fearless, one on "Congress as Seen From the Third House," or "Seens and Unseens in Washington," showing the reform record of the Democratic, Republican and Populist parties for the past twenty years in Congress. The lecture will be free to all.

The debating championship of Chicago and Cook County High Schools was won, June 12th, by the William McKinley High School, in an exciting discussion of the question, "Resolved, That Prohibition Should be Established." The winning school championed the affirmative.

The Herald and Presbyter, Cincinnati, Ohio, is carrying on an editorial campaign against reputable papers and magazines carrying whisky and other immoral advertisements. "We have been receiving may letters indorsing our position," it states in its issue for June 10th. "If these papers and magazines wish to go into Christian and respectable homes, let them leave out these invitations and solicitations to evil. An agent for a whisky house or an opium den or any place of evil resort would not be permitted to go into the home, talk to the children and invite their patronage. It will not be long until the papers and magazines will learn the

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lesson of decency if good people withdraw their patronage until they conform to the standard of respectable living. The whisky business has no more right to advertise itself than the gambling business."

Hold your watch in your hand for one minute. During this time \$2,000 has been spent for drink in the United States. This goes on the entire year, day and night.

HADLEY SCHOOL.

On my return from California, I find there is an opening for girls at the Hadley Industrial School, and any Union wanting to place a girl there will please correspond with me in regard to the same. Address Mrs. L. C. Hann, 2438 Broadway, Indianapolis, Ind.

EVANGELISTIC DEPARTMENT.

Dear Sisters:

I would that I might speak to you face to face and that together we might consult about the work and pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit in quickening power, that we might be better qualified for the work. As this seems impossible, I must be content to speak to you through The Message. Do you carefully read the paper? I sometimes fear that in the multitude of cares that press us we may lay the paper aside for a more convenient season and overlook it entirely. It might be just the paper that contains a letter of instruction from the Superintendent of some department that we failed to read, and we would miss the needed help. I purposed last fall to carry out the instruction of the Executive Board in getting out a new plan of work, but my home cares with the addition of sickness has hindered me. My husband has been sick most of the time since the middle of January, and I had six weeks of illness in February and March. I have endeavored to answer all requests for help. If I have omitted any please inform me immediately. I have made an earnest effort to get Miss Greenwood's leaflets into the hands of each Superintendent. I trust the County Superintendents have not failed to supply the local. If there are Local Superintendents unsupplied please inform me and I will see that you have the leaflet. I have also sent out a number of other leaflets, which I trust have been helpful.

Miss Greenwood's leaflet, or "Evangelistic Circular," for 1907 and 1908 is so full of helpful suggestions that I hardly need to do more than to request you to prayerful read it and work according to its plans. I have always endeavored to work in harmony with our World's and National Superintendents' plans. This is why I urge you to know what they are by carefully studying them, and then as far as possible working them. On the 6th and 7th pages of the circular you will find, under the head of "Evangelistic Literature," many excellent books and leaflets advertised. Send for as much of this literature as you can afford to purchase and circulate it among your members. Carry a list of the leaflets to your meetings and tell the workers about them, inducing them, if possible, to subscribe for leaflets. As they are only a few cents apiece many would gladly pay for them. I am confident that we are not making use of our literature as we should. On the last page of the circular you will find a list of questions suggesting various lines of work in the Evangelistic Department. These questions will appear on the blanks I will send you in time for your yearly report. I only ask for one report, and that will come in September. We will have to be very prompt this year as the National Convention comes earlier than usual. I trust you are keeping a careful memorandum of your work and that we will have the best report for Indiana this year that we have ever had. If you have read the National Minutes for a number of years past you will find that our state is among the best in this department. But it is not where it should be. We can do a great deal more than we have ever done. Dear County Superintendents, will you please see that your local workers are supplied with the literature. Promptly forward whatever I send to you. If I can assist you in any way let me know and I will gladly do anything in my power. If there have been new Superintendents appointed in unorganized counties send to me for help. I pray the Father's blessing upon the work and workers, for "without Him we can do nothing." Let us keep in close contact with Him, then we will be able to reach hearts, and just in proportion as we ourselves are helped can we help others. Sincerely yours,

E. M. Haughton, State Superintendent.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP.

Dear Superintendents and County Presidents:

I have sent to each of you the report blanks for this department. I tried to send as near as I could enough so that each Union in your respective counties might be supplied with one. I hope they will be handed out at once. I am very desirous that a full report be sent in this year. Great interest has been awakened along this line in the last few months all over our state. Civic and Good Citizenship Leagues (which means practically the same thing as Christian Citizenship) have been organized by the voters. So may we not take courage? I trust in every county this subject will be presented on the Fourth of July at picnics, as well as at other outdoor meetings during the summer months. Co-operate with other organizations along this line. Ask your ministers to preach a Christian Citizenship sermon in the month of October. Look carefully over the ques-

tions asked on blank report sent you and answer by September 15, as my report must be in the hands of the State Secretary by the 17th. As was voted in mid-year executive meeting, a beautiful pennant will be given as a prize for the best report by county in this as in every department.

Faithfully yours,
Gertrude Fulton, State Superintendent.

Indianapolis Frances E. Willard Union observed June 9, Flower Mission Day, visiting three public institutions—the new Methodist Hospital, Eleanor Hospital and Aged Woman's Home. Mrs. Dotia Dougherty, Superintendent, and Mrs. Welden had charge of the services. Flowers, fruit and papers were distributed with discretion.

Mrs. Ella Rose.



FRANCES WILLARD CARTER,
Bedford, Ind.

TO STATE SUPERINTENDENTS.

Dear Sisters:

At Mid-Year Executive it was voted to hold State Convention October 1st to 6th, one week earlier than usual. It was also voted that in order to have advance sheets of the Superintendents' reports printed for State Convention it would be necessary for your reports to be in the hands of the State Secretary by September 17th. State Superintendents take notice and work accordingly.

Gertrude Fulton,
Secretary Board of Superintendents.

PROPORTIONATE AND SYSTEMATIC GIVING.

Dear Comrades:

A recent letter from our National Superintendent of Proportionate and Systematic Giving says that she is just recovering from a severe spell of pneumonia and would leave for California in a few days. During her absence the responsibility will rest upon the State and County Superintendents. May we realize the importance of the work. Every Superintendent longs that her department be if possible the best. To this end let us press forward toward the mark of the prize. Your Superintendent has sent to every County President except one (whose address was doubtful) blanks and literature to be given to the County Superintendent. The plan of work designated by our National Superintendent is that each Local Union appoint a Superintendent to act in her own church, interesting her pastor and official board, supplying them with literature, thus opening the way to organize a "Tithers' League in each church. The finest plan will not work itself. Success depends on the faithfulness of the County Superintendents in urging that Local Superintendents be appointed. In the position we hold we are unable to reach the masses. I will be delighted to hear from any of you and will gladly assist in any way I can. Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Abbie Hobson.

A new Prohibition poster: "The Saloon or the Boys and Girls 'the Real Issue.'"—The National Committee has just secured a limited quantity of a beautiful new prohibition poster, in five different colors, with the above title. The size of this poster, which is in double form, is 46x34 inches, one-half of which consists of a fine lithographic picture representing a boy and girl of fourteen years holding the stars and stripes with the above noted phrase in bold relief; the other one-half containing in large print an epitome of the liquor question from the economic point of view, a concise reply to the recent liquor poster now in circulation throughout the country. The National Committee can supply these posters prepaid in mailing tubes at the rate of two sets for fifteen cents, and special prices for larger quantities. Address Charles R. Jones, chairman, 184 La Salle Street, Chicago.

Beverages, the well known liquor paper of New York, in its issue for May 22d, prints a long series of resolutions opposing prohibition, which it credits as follows in headlines and opening paragraph to the Chamber of Commerce of Atlanta, Georgia:

FIELD NEWS

The Madison Union celebrated Jennie Caseday's birthday at the regular monthly meeting at Red Men's hall June 9. Mrs. Frank Vail, our Vice-President, presided. After the usual devotion, reports of Superintendents of Departments and business. A special program in honor of the day was conducted by the Flower Mission Superintendent, Miss Mary Bayless. Song by Union, "Some Glad Day;" paper read, "The Story of Jennie Caseday," by Miss Mary Bayless; reading, "How I Won Happiness," by Mrs. Sadie Adams; reading, "The Voice of the Flowers," by Mrs. Will Barber; paper, "Sketch of the Life of Francis Bennett Callaway," by Mrs. Jenkins; solo, "Would that I Had Been With Him Then," by Mrs. Will Barber; reading of the State Annual Flower Mission report, Mrs. George Augustine. W. C. T. U. Flower Mission Superintendent gave seventy-six bouquets and seventy-nine text cards. The L. T. L. gave fifty bouquets. After the meeting bouquets were distributed at the jail, hospital and Old Ladies' Home. Mrs. Culla Vayhinger held a Mothers' Meeting at the Christian church the afternoon of the 11th inst., and a mass meeting at the court house at 7:30 that evening. Needless to say our Union had a refreshing and rousing good time.

M. E. Bayless.

Flower Mission Day was observed by the Crown Point W. C. T. U. Two hundred bouquets were taken to the County Farm, jail and to "shut-ins" of our city. At noon we partook of a basket dinner at the home of Mrs. J. P. Merrill, Superintendent of this department, and at 2:30 a Flower Mission service was held. Mrs. T. H. Ball read an interesting paper on the "Mission of Flowers," we all felt it was a day well spent and that many unfortunate and lonely ones had been cheered by the "Mission of Flowers." Mrs. F. L. Knight.

Eagletown W. C. T. U. observed Flower Mission Day on Friday, June 5, 1908. Devotional services by the President, Mary E. Tracy. The President gave a very encouraging talk. The children had recitations and songs. Two of the members had select readings. The children distributed bouquets of flowers, with appropriate Scripture texts and leaflets, to the aged and sick. One new member added to our list. Olive Hill.

A lecture was given by Mrs. Retta Jones, of Alexandria, at Eagletown, Friends church. Her subject was well chosen and was both interesting and instructive. At the close of the meeting a "free will" offering was received. One new member was added to our Union at this place.

Bath—One of the most enjoyable receptions took place at the beautiful home of Mrs. Joseph Shafer, in Springfield township, Thursday afternoon, given by the W. C. T. U. of Bath, in honor of the new members. At a previous meeting the society selected two captains, who choose members of the society to help them secure new members. One side used the blue ribbon as its emblem and the other the red. The side that secured the most members was to furnish the literary part of the program and the other side the refreshments. There were about fifty present at this meeting and fifteen new members were added to the Union. The side represented by the red ribbon won in the contest, and rendered an excellent program. Mrs. Kroft gave a very interesting talk on "Our Noble Women." The blue side did well in serving the lunch, which consisted of pea salad, cheese wafers, salted peanuts and coffee. But all good things come to an end, and so it came time when all took a reluctant departure, making adieux to hostesses with profuse assurances of a most enjoyable time.

Mrs. F. S. McCarty.

Mrs. Amanda R. Shedd, President of Marshall county is at "Bide-a-Wee" cottage at Winona Lake. Mrs. Shedd can furnish accommodations to a limited number of White Ribboners.

The Bedford W. C. T. U. institute was held May 5th and 6th. Meeting opened Tuesday afternoon led by Mrs. Brown, the Local President, who in a few well chosen words introduced Mrs. Rose Pearce leader. Mrs. Pearce's talks at the different sessions were very encouraging and helpful. Prof. Fagan of the public schools and Rev. Whitney, of the Baptist church, delivered excellent addresses at this session on "Irreverence in Children," and "Statutory Prohibition." A Silver Medal contest was held Tuesday evening, which was attended by a large crowd. Miss Ilene Mitchell was the successful contestant. The Wednesday morning session was devoted to business. At the afternoon meeting the mayor of the city and the ministers of the different churches spoke on subjects of vital interest to women. Wednesday evening Judge Artman, of Lebanon, delivered his famous prohibition address. The result of the institute was several new members, several subscriptions to the different papers, but best of all renewed vigor and inspiration among the old members.

Ray Union, in Steuben County, is having a membership contest. Our little village is waking up on temperance. So far we have gained over thirty-five members, and the "end is not yet come." A number of very successful oratorical contests have been held recently among the young people, also members of the L. T. L. We feel that much good is being done through this department. We hope to bring our membership from twenty-four to seventy-five if possible. You will hear from us later.

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Mooresville—Flower Mission Day, June 9th, was appropriately observed by our Local Union. A very interest meeting was held at 2 o'clock p. m. at the M. E. church. Mrs. A. H. DeLong, of Indianapolis, read a paper entitled: "Is Life Worth the Living?" All who heard this most excellent article were convinced of the value of life when lived from the ideal standpoint. With higher resolves, deeper purposes and holier resignation, we trust, the sisters went forth to scatter sunshine and flowers. Mrs. DeLong's husband, Rev. A. H. De Long, Superintendent of the Methodist Hospital at the city, added a few appropriate, soul-stirring remarks. A collection for the Flower Mission work was taken.

Sarah K. Marie.

The Franklin County W. C. T. U. Institute was held at Bath M. E. church May 27-28, and was one of the best ever held in the county. The President Mrs. Margaret Smith, was in charge. Mrs. Ella Kroft, of Fairfield, leader. The address of welcome by Mrs. Carrie Shafer, Local President, was helpful and proved she understands her work. Brief review of work showed that much good work had been done. This is largely due to the fact that we have a wide-awake County President.

A Silver Medal contest, composed of eight young ladies, was in charge of Superintendent Mrs. Smith. Miss Verla McCormack, of Bath, won the medal. We are proud to say the institute program was used and proved helpful to all. We had visitors from Brookville and College Corner Unions, who helped in the discussion. On Thursday the Union served a fine dinner. Mrs. Kroft was a splendid leader and gave very interesting talks. She is very enthusiastic in the work. Rev. Kroft was with us and gave an inspiring address. After Mrs. Smith read a paper on "Work and Regular Habits as Elements in Character Building." This was especially good. A paper on cigarettes prepared by a mother of three boys, stirred the mothers.

Elkhart Union—Anniversary services commemorating the thirtieth year of the organization of the Elkhart Woman's Christian Temperance Union were held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Wertz, 511 Middlebury street, Thursday, June 4. The house was prettily decorated with flags, mottoes and pictures of Lillian M. Stevens, the National President, and the immortal Frances E. Willard, with pink and white peonies arranged to good advantage. The afternoon session opened with the President, Mrs. Iva Wood Parker, in the chair. After the singing of the "Indiana Song" and a piano solo, Mrs. McCaskey, President of Goshen Union, led in the devotional service. Mrs. Sarah Burton pleased with a vocal solo. Mrs. Fred Pyle gave a very interesting paper on "Child Labor," with striking illustrations, showing its evil effects. Mrs. Ora Surls gave a reading, "My Sister Elizabeth," which was followed by a reading by Gladys Keppler. The question, "What is the Woman's Christian Temperance Union?" was discussed by minute talks by the members present. After the noontide prayer and adjournment, a three-course luncheon was served to ninety people. A social time was enjoyed until 1:30, when the program began with a piano selection by Miss Majorie Fuller. After the singing of the "Crusade Glory Song," Mrs. Sylvester Johnson read the Scripture lesson and Rev. C. S. Parker led in prayer. After a vocal solo by Mrs. Styers, Rev. Parker gave an address. He showed that evil exists today just as it did in Christ's earthly career, and that the cry, "Let us alone!" can be heard from all positions in sin. An able paper on the cigarette was presented by Mrs. Harry Zigler. Mrs. George Miller and Miss Ruth Mann both gave readings. Mrs. Milton Wertz introduced the subject of the Loyal Temperance Legion stating that our Union is very proud of the fact that the temperance army is being strengthened by the training of the younger forces. Four Legions are active in Elkhart city, with a membership of over 200. During a short intermission lemonade was served. Miss Jennie Schafer and Miss Rose Keene each pleased with vocal solos. Eight members were received into the Union and "Some Glad Day" was sung. Miss Myrtle Andrews rendered a piano selection after which Miss Ethel Mast closed the program with a reading, "What William Henry Did." All arose from their seats singing "Blest be the Tie That Binds." The house was filled to overflowing during the afternoon. Sixteen visitors were present from Goshen, and Mrs. Benjamin, from North Liberty, was present. Everybody went home well satisfied with the day's work, charmed with the magnificent program and the royal welcome of the hostess, trusting for the time when "the great evil" shall be banished from the continent.

Press Superintendent.

The Union Signal, official organ of the National W. C. T. U. The Best Temperance Paper Published. All the Prohibition and Temperance News each week. Accurate reports of our great victories; helps for every W. C. T. U. or other temperance or reform worker; stories for the children and for the grown-up too; clean advertising. Other papers have increased their price—ours is still only \$1.00 a year. Sample copy and new premium list free. Address The Union Signal, Evanston, Illinois.

Mrs. Mary Clark Brown, of Indianapolis, County and Local Superintendent of Contest Department, has moved to Alma, Michigan, where her husband is connected with the Alum Springs

Hotel management. Indianapolis, Central and Marion county greatly regret the loss of this family, even though it should be for one year. Mrs. Brown spent two years at French Lick, Ind., where she organized and conducted an L. T. L. and trained a Senior League, held oratorical contests throughout Orange county, where there was not a temperance organization of any kind. This same splendid Christian woman will help with the temperance work wherever she may be. At the last meeting of Indianapolis Central Union Mrs. Brown attended her comrades expressed deepest regret at her going away, and in behalf of the Union the President, Mrs. Frances Boyer, presented to her a beautiful garnet set brooch. We commend Mrs. Brown to the Michigan W. C. T. U.

Connersville—A Gold Medal contest was given by the W. C. T. U. at the Central Christian church. The attendance was very large the auditorium being nearly filled. There were seven contestants, and each one did their part so well that it proved no easy matter for the judges to decide who should be the winner, but it was finally given to Miss May Merritt. The contest proved in all respects a great success.

Mrs. C. C. Rose, Press Correspondent.

Stuben County—Pleasant View W. C. T. U. observed Flower Mission Day at the home of Mrs. Jerome Sholleys. The Local Superintendent and Mrs. Fassnacht, the County Superintendent, both spoke interestingly of the Mission of Flowers. After adjournment eighty-five bouquets were made and distributed in the County Home to the appreciative inmates.

Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens and Miss Anna Gordon, National President and Vice-President-at-Large, spent two weeks in Colorado, making addresses in five of the principal cities. Denver, the convention city for 1908, was the objective point, and several important committee meetings and conferences relative to convention plans were held, in addition to the public addresses and social functions which claimed their time. It is definitely settled that the convention will be held in the fine new auditorium now in process of erection, and generous entertainment plans are under consideration. It is confidently expected that the convention will be the largest in the history of our organization, and the Colorado comrades mean that it shall be the most brilliant. The business men are lending cordial and generous financial support to all the plans, which include excursions to the several notable places in the vicinity of Denver, a mecca for thousands of tourists each year. Further announcements will be made as rapidly as the plans are perfected.

Allen County—One of the best Institutes not yet reported was held in Ft. Wayne, led by Mrs. Retta Jones, of Alexandria. Reports of work from different parts of the county were given, followed by a short parliamentary drill. The afternoon session was very enjoyable as well as profitable, good papers being given on the following subjects: "Work and Regular Habits as Elements in Character Building," "Effects of Popular Amusements Upon Habits of Character," "Home Influence to Counteract This," "The Church's Opportunity," "Is Irreverence Increasing Among Children?" "Effects of the Cigarette on the Growing Boy," "Suffrage." At the evening session Mrs. Jones gave an instructive talk to a good-sized audience. Tuesday afternoon a meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Dr. Euslen and at night at the St. Paul M. E. church. The Reverends Hobbs, Ingersol and Byers assisting with the service. Wednesday afternoon another meeting was greatly enjoyed at Bethany Presbyterian church, and at night at the Plymouth Congregational. Allen county surely needed just such a "stirring up" as was given during these meetings. Much good will doubtless be the result. Quite a few members were added to the W. C. T. U., which will assist in fighting the evils of the city.

Mrs. J. F. Kinsey, Press Superintendent.

Floyd County Institute met at Galena, Mrs. Rose Pearce leader. She made an address on Monday evening. The program was carried out as planned. Mrs. Hauswald, President of the Galena Local Union, made the welcome address, after which Mrs. Pearce gave a review of institute work being done by her. Recitation "Sign Board of the Rumseller," was given by a matron, Mrs. Gardiner. County President Mrs. Jones told the institute "What it Means to Me to be a Reader of the Union Signal." Mrs. Jones said the Union Signal was her tools, and if she had work she must have tools to work with. We find that the Union Signal is a great help in making up a program for our W. C. T. U. meetings. Mrs. Jones also talked on "Purity and Sabbath Observance." An interesting paper on "Character Building" was read by Mrs. Emma Engleman, of Georgetown. The subject of "Irreverence Among Children" was discussed by several members present. "How to Make Home Attractive for Our Children" was joined in by all of us mothers, and as most of our homes had been visited by the angel of death it made it a very touching subject to us. Our pastor, Rev. M. McKinney, handled the subject of "How Can the Church Best Enlist Its Membership in an Aggressive Warfare Against the Liquor Traffic?" Mr. Bert Williams gave a very interesting talk on the cigarette question. Mrs. R. K. Pritchett read a paper on "Enfranchisement of Women." Mrs. M. Featheringill told what prominent men favored woman's suffrage and we were told by Mr. Swift that we might expect

equal suffrage in the near future. A fine work is being done in New Albany, Ind., by the W. C. T. U. women in jail and mission work. "Work to be Done Before the Coming State Convention" was discussed, and we agreed to do all we could to double our membership. We believe that if we exercise faith and pray earnestly we can accomplish (in God's name) what we have agreed to do. Recitation, "The Tail of a Serpent or Woman's Logic," by Mrs. Hauswald. The Gelena Union had just had their Matron's Silver Medal contest, so the recitations helped to make up the program. Mrs. R. K. Pritchett recited "Kindled Fires." Dinner was served at the home of the Local President, Mrs. Hauswald. Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Vayhinger, State President, dropped in on us and gave an excellent address at night, which was very helpful and very much enjoyed by all present.

The Parke County Institute was held at Colona, Mrs. Rose Pearce leader. Mrs. Pearce was accompanied by her husband who took part freely in the different discussions and with his expressions of wit and humor made his talks very interesting and helpful to the institute. At the noon hour dinner was served at the church, from where several dinners were sent to the sick of the neighborhood. In the afternoon some very interesting papers were read. One by Mrs. May Lindley, of Bloomingdale, on "Training for Character," another by C. X. Lewis, of Colona, "Is Irreverence Increasing Among Children?" In the discussion of this subject the thought was brought out that if irreverence is increasing among children, as it evidently is, it must also be on the increase among their elders. "Effect of Popular Amusements on Habit and Character" was given by S. B. Woodard, of Colona. Mrs. Pearce gave a short talk on "High License," and Mr. Pearce spoke on "The Church's Opportunity." A recitation by Mrs. Lizzie Cox was enjoyed by all. At the evening service an address was given by Mrs. Pearce, followed by a short address by Mr. Pearce. In their addresses truths were presented in a very pleasing and forceful way. We feel that the temperance cause in this place has had an uplift and we will all be profited by the holding of this institute.

Indianapolis—Northeast Union observed Flower Mission Day Sunday afternoon at the Marion County Poor Farm. They took fruit to one hundred and ninety odd inmates; also distribute flowers and literature. The ladies were welcomed in the chapel where they held a service and the Rev. Mrs. Tillie Norris delivered a sermon. Her text was Luke 2:10: "And the angels said unto them: Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all the people." The Superintendent spoke beautifully of the W. C. T. U. and of the wonderful work done through many departments of work, and gave a cordial invitation to come again.

Mrs. Cora E. Patton.

Seymour—Chaplain Edgar, Mrs. Stanley, L. J. Beauchamp, Judge Artman, W. D. Wade, Dr. Tracy and a number of other workers have been brought to Seymour by the Citizen's Temperance Committee in the effort to remove the saloons from Seymour. April 22nd W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. J. E. McKinney. Instead of a program there was a general discussion of the situation in the city and the effort to secure home protection against the saloons. April 23d members met with Mrs. M. C. Black to fold and direct literature to male voters in wards where remonstrances were being circulated, as requested by Citizen's Temperance Committee. May 28th W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. Van Horn. There was a large attendance and an excellent program. Master James Black, (only two years old) sang "Rock of Ages" in a pleasing manner. A majority of the voters signed remonstrance cards in the second ward, covering nine saloons Commissioners granted license. One is open.

The Noblesville W. C. T. U. met Monday, June 8th, at the home of Mary E. Grosh, Flower Mission Superintendent, where a reception was given in honor of several new members. Mrs. Julia Pruitt, President of this Union, gave a very earnest welcome. Mrs. Sarah Christian gave the response in a very pleasing manner. Tuesday morning, the 9th, the Westfield ladies joined us while we visited the jail and poor farm, making the hearts of the inmates glad with our fragrant flowers and loving sympathy. In the afternoon we visited over thirty sick and "shut-ins," presenting each with flowers; some places we held brief services, with a song and prayer. Many were affected to weeping when they understood we were interested in their welfare. The day was spent in bringing a bit of sunshine into many a sad heart. We ourselves were made very happy and consider this one of the best days of our lives. We are already planning to make next year the best in our history.

IN MEMORIAM.

HANNAH ELLIS—Our dear Father, who doeth all things well, called Hannah Ellis home, after a noble life of seventy-two years. For many months she was called upon to bear much suffering, but most patiently endured it all to the end. She was a member of Fairmount Local W. C. T. U. for many years, and when health permitted was never absent. We shall miss her helpful, sweet presence, but know she is now set down with our Father, arrayed in linen clean and white; for fine linen is the righteousness of saints. Rev. 19:8. ANGELINE PEARSON Cor. Sec.

CARL HUFFMAN, an unusually bright, Christian Temperance boy, met death in White river. He was one of the four young freshmen who delighted all present at the W. C. T. U. by their music. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Huffman. We are bereaved with the parents, sisters and little brother in his early home-going.

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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The work that we have builded,
Oft with bleeding hands and tears,
Oft in error, oft in anguish,
Will not perish with our years—

It will last and shine transfigured
In the final reign of Right;
It will pass into the splendors
Of the City of the Light.

—Exchange.

TEMPERANCE WEEK AT WINONA ASSEMBLY.

Mrs. M. L. Gipe.

The Winona Temperance Conference, under the leadership of Dr. Geo. R. Stewart, of Tennessee, will not only be remembered by those privileged to attend it as a great temperance love feast, but will go down in history as one of the greatest battles ever waged against the legalized liquor traffic.

Many said that no American platform ever before presented, in one week, such an array of distinguished leaders and thinkers of the day. Their addresses were well worth one's traveling miles to hear. Among the most inspiring of these great orations were those delivered by Hon. Oliver W. Stewart, Hon. Charles Scanlan, Hon. H. W. Bain and Dr. Clinton N. Howard. Music was furnished by the Dailey Quartet. Not the least among the great things of the week was W. C. T. U. day. The attendance was large, the morning meeting being more largely attended than any during the week. Grant County came on the scene a thousand strong. Although the program as originally planned entirely failed, the morning session was most interesting and helpful. Mrs. Harriet Brand, who was to have spoken on Wednesday morning, had been called by the Father to higher service a week before, but she was by no means forgotten at this service. A short memorial was held for her, "Lead, Kindly Light" was sung, and Mrs. Stanley recited, in her own impressive manner, a very appropriate poem; then Mrs. Gipe led in prayer. Our State President, Mrs. Vayhinger, and the Editor of the Message, Mrs. McWhirter, were both expected to speak, but were unable to do so because of illness. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley was present and took up the program, speaking for each one, to the delight of the great audience.

In the afternoon a Grand Diamond Medal contest was held under the direction of the State Superintendent, Mrs. Julia Overman. After the contest the enthusiastic audience remained for an hour on that very warm afternoon to listen to an address made by Miss Belle Kearney, a national lecturer of great ability. No better speech was delivered on the Winona platform than this one.

If any criticism were to be made of W. C. T. U. day it was that there were so many good things that it was hard to remember them all. Thus again, an opportunity was given us, we embraced it, and much good seed was sown, which we believe will spring up and bear fruit to the honor and glory of "His Name."

A TRIBUTE TO THE INFLUENCE OF THE SABBATH.

Concerning the movement in France for a weekly rest day, the New York Mail says:

"It was a Frenchman who said that if God did not exist it would be necessary to invent him. It seems to be same way with the Sabbath. Having succeeded in virtually abolishing the day of rest, the French nation has found it necessary to get up a kind of an artificial Sabbath—not for religious, but for 'labor' reasons.

"One might suppose, to read the reports of riots in Paris and elsewhere in France against the opening of stores and offices on Sunday, that the proletariat had suddenly grown very strenuously religious and sabbatarian. But that is not the case. It is simply striking for one day's rest in the week. In many cases the day of rest is not Sunday, but some other day given in lieu of it; and the Sunday riots are merely a token of the resentment of the employees and their friends against being altogether cheated out of the day off.

"But whatever the motive of this new French day of rest, it is a tribute to the influence of the Jewish and Christian Sabbath. It is true that the Romans observed Sunday as a holiday before the Christian dispensation arrived, but the suspension of labor was never as complete as it was upon the Jewish Sabbath, and when the latter institution was taken over by the Day of the Sun, the Sabbath sentiment that Jewish Christianity imparted to it was what gave it permanence and vitality.

"The Sunday rest has been a vast blessing to the peoples who have observed it. It has imparted strength, and nourished the best sentiments that are in them. Even a secularized, ir-

religious people can not get along without it. They are forced to come back to it, though they may repudiate the religious motive. If this is the case with people who have almost lost their Sunday, it is certainly the part of wisdom for a people who still possess the day of rest to preserve it."

STATE SABBATH LAWS OF INDIANA.

Sabbath Breaking.

Section, 467, Page 692, Acts 1905. Whoever, being over fourteen years of age, is found on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, rioting, hunting, fishing, quarreling, at common labor, or engaged in his usual vocations (work of charity and necessity only accepted) shall be fined in any sum not less than one dollar nor more than ten dollars; but nothing herein contained, shall be construed to affect, such as conscientiously observe the seventh day of the week as the Sabbath, travelers, families removing, keepers of toll bridges and toll gates, ferrymen acting as such and persons engaged in the publication and distribution of news.

Sunday Baseball.

Section 468, Page 693, Acts 1905. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to engage in playing any game of baseball, football, or other game where any fee is charged, or where any reward or prize, or profit, or article of value is depending upon the result of such game, on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday; and every person so offending shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction, shall be fined in any sum not exceeding twenty-five dollars.

Selling Liquor on Sunday.

Section 579, Page 721, Acts 1905. Whoever shall sell, barter or give away, to be drunk as a beverage, any spirituous, vinous, malt or other intoxicating liquors, upon Sunday, * * * shall, on conviction, be fined not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars, to which may be added imprisonment in the county jail or workhouse not less than ten days nor more than sixty days.

Barbering on Sunday.

Section 1, Page 89, Acts 1907. Be it enacted by the general assembly of the State of Indiana, That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to carry on or engage in the art or calling of hair cutting, shaving, hair dressing and shampooing, or in any work pertaining to the trade or business of a barber, on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday.

Section 3. Every person violating any of the provisions of this act shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than ten dollars nor more than twenty-five dollars for each offense, to which may be added imprisonment in the county jail not more than thirty days.

Katie Wert Holler,

State and Associate National Superintendent Sabbath Observance, South Bend, Indiana.

MRS. HARRIET WRIGHT BRAND PROMOTED.

Mrs. Harriet W. Brand died, July 9, in the Evanston Hospital, after a long, severe illness, following an operation. Mrs. Brand had served for nearly four years as National Treasurer, and today W. C. T. U. women of the nation are mourning the loss of a fallen comrade.

During all the weary weeks of her last illness, letters and telegrams from the East to the West coast were received by the National Officers at Evanston expressing love and sympathy for Mrs. Brand, and an earnest hope for her recovery. Her room was a bower of flowers, and whenever she regained consciousness for a little while her eyes would brighten with love and appreciation of her friends, then she would murmur: "Tell them all I love them."

In Mrs. Brand's departure to her better home afar, not only the nation at large of temperance workers feels keenly a loss, but Indiana W. C. T. U. women especially suffer the loss of one of their most loved and efficient state officers. For some years previous to her election to the office of National Treasurer Mrs. Brand was actively engaged in state work for Indiana. She was unusually gifted as a musician and public speaker, as well as reader. So for several years her talents were spent in field work in Indiana. The last three years of her work in our state (1901-1904) she held the office of State Corresponding Secretary. In this capacity her ablest qualities—promptness, patience and systematization—were evinced. Her early training and experience in professional bookkeeping came into good play. The National Executive needed just such an accurate, painstaking member to fill the vacant treasurership in 1904, and Indiana proudly urged its valuable Corresponding Secretary on to the service of the National, where she could fill a larger need.

On Thursday afternoon, July 9, Mrs. Brand's

body was taken to Rest Cottage, formerly the home of Miss Willard, and laid upon a couch in Miss Gordon's parlor, amidst beautiful floral offerings. She was dressed in her white lingerie gown and surrounded by her comrades at headquarters and others, a beautiful service was held. Mrs. Cornelia J. Jewett, Editor of the Union Signal, and Mrs. Susanna M. D. Fry spoke of Mrs. Brand as a co-laborer and friend. Miss Helen Hood offered prayer. Thus this company of friends paid a loving, tender tribute to one who had gone out forever from their midst.

Friday the remains were brought to Indianapolis to the home of Mr. Wright, Mrs. Brand's father. Saturday morning the funeral service was held in Central avenue M. E. church, conducted by Rev. Albert Hurlstone, D. D., pastor. There was no music. Dr. Hurlstone recited "Rock of Ages," and after making peculiarly beautiful and helpful remarks, closed by reciting "Lead, Kindly Light." He then introduced Miss Anna A. Gordon, Vice-President-at-Large of the National W. C. T. U., who paid an eloquent tribute to the life and character of Mrs. Brand. Mrs. Susanna M. D. Fry, National Corresponding Secretary, said: "We do not think today of death and the grave, but of victory and heaven." She told how Mrs. Brand was esteemed and loved at Rest Cottage, the National Headquarters. Mrs. absence of Mrs. Vayhinger, State President, Mrs. F. T. McWhirter on behalf of the Indiana W. C. T. U. and Ladies' Central Union, of which Mrs. Brand was a member, spoke of the sense of bereavement all felt in Mrs. Brand's death; of her splendid ability and the work she had done in Indiana as a field worker and state officer, and withal how she helped to forward the great cause for humanity.

The chancel of the church was beautifully decorated by the County Unions with potted palms, cut flowers and white ribbon. To the large center palm was attached a large bow of wide white satin ribbon. From behind this bow, seven yards to either side, was drooped a ribbon streamer which terminated in a small bow, which also was attached to a plant. The chancel rail was tastefully decorated in green and white by the Philomathean Literary Society, of which Mrs. Brand was a member. The floral offerings were profuse and beautiful in design. There were tributes representing the National W. C. T. U., the Young Women Workers at Headquarters, the editors and circulation managers of the Union Signal, the Board of Superintendents, the W. C. T. U. of Illinois, Miss Sewall, National Flower Mission Superintendent, and the Unions W's, Y., and L. T. L., of Evanston, besides the offerings of Indiana W. C. T. U. State, County and locals, the Philomathean Club, and many individuals. The honorary pall bearers were women dressed in white, in accord with Mrs. Brand's belief that a Christian's faith should not give vent to an expression of woe, so often seen in the gloomy mourning robes and veils.

The bearers were Mrs. Martha L. Gipe, President Marion County W. C. T. U.; Mrs. Frances Boyer, President Indianapolis Central Union; Mrs. S. D. Farrabee, President of the Philomathean Literary Club; Mrs. J. H. Scheerer, Mrs. Geo. T. Breunig and Mrs. W. N. Norris, all members of Indianapolis Central Union (except Mrs. Gipe) of which Mrs. Brand was a member.

Representatives were present from a number of Unions, including Miss Sears, the State Treasurer. Ever so many business men left their offices on this Saturday morning to attend the funeral. Miss Anna Gordon came all the way from Jamestown, Rhode Island, to pay this "tribute of love" (as she called it) to her co-laborer and our National Treasurer.

The interment was at Crown Hill cemetery.

If there come to me, of good or ill;
I know it is my Father's will;
And He so wise, so loving, true,
Will know what's best for me to do.
I surely ought to have the grace,
To wear a happy, smiling face;
And Speak the words of hopeful cheer—
To help along the burdened here.

—Mary E. Balch.

The Women's Christian Temperance Union is an organization of Christian women banded together for the protection of the home, the abolition of the liquor traffic and the triumph of Christ's Golden Rule in custom and in law. The requirements for membership are: Sign the total abstinence pledge, pay one dollar per year dues and wear the badge, a small bow of white ribbon.

Liquor thugs mortally wounded Rev. George Hays of Shelburne, Ind., in a pitched battle which was fought in that town last week. Anonymous threats to burn houses owned by citizens have been made as a result of an attempt to enforce the law against an Evansville Brewing company.

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National W. C. T. U. Convention, Denver, Colorado, October 23-28, 1908.

Engage the best speakers available for temperance picnics and rallies.

Now is the time to secure speakers for annual County Conventions, to be held in September.

MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

A few more weeks and another year's work will have passed into history. You know my report to both State and National conventions depends wholly on your reports to me. Will you please be prompt in reporting to me. I have sent blanks to all Superintendents whose names I could secure. If any have been omitted, please apply to me. If all County Superintendents collect local reports and send me the summary, I will be so glad, or send me the local reports in full, and oblige your co-worker,

Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City.

NATIONAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTION AT DENVER.

One of the great conventions in the history of our organization will be held in Denver, Colo., October 23-28, 1908.

A national official train will be made up at Chicago. Our Indiana party will join this train in a special sleeper. The train will leave Chicago just after midnight of Monday, Oct. 19, in order to take advantage of the Home-seekers' rate of \$32.15 for round trip from Chicago to Denver. The tickets will be good for twenty-one days and will allow diversified routes returning. The lines selected are: The Northwestern Railroad west of Chicago to Omaha, and Union Pacific to Denver. We shall expect a large visiting delegation to go with the elected delegates from Indiana to Denver. This very low rate will make it possible for many to attend a national convention and to take some young people with them. The attraction of the scenery of Colorado is also an inducement, since the liberal time of the tickets will afford opportunity for those who so desire to run up to Colorado Springs, Manitou and the Garden of the Gods.

INDIANA'S LAURELS.

In 1900 at the National W. C. T. U. Convention in Washington, D. C., Indiana won five Department Banners. This was a mighty victory for Indiana, whose numerical strength was less than New York (20,000), Pennsylvania (16,000), Ohio (11,000), Michigan (8,000), and Illinois (14,000). Indiana only had about 5,000 members at that time. How could she win so many banners? By the wonderful system of quarterly reports in blanket form from the Local Unions. To this system of reporting was due our great victory. Not only was the work done but it was reported. At one Local Union meeting each quarter all members reported the work they had done in any or all departments to the respective Local Superintendents, who recorded and summarized the report and send it on through the County to the State. All this apparent bother of little things—for instance, reporting one bouquet sent to the sick, or a few pages of literature distributed—seemed amply repaid at this harvest time at Washington, when the Indiana delegation witnessed the amazement of the representatives of other and larger states. Not a few eagerly inquired into Indiana's secret of success. When the simple plan was explained they seemed to be inspired to return to their states with new vigor, not only for work but for Reporting! Reporting! This year we should win several department banners at Denver. Much work has been done and if reported will bring to Indiana our well-earned laurels.

LOCAL TREASURERS, LISTEN!

Upon the collection of membership dues will our total membership for this year depend. Indiana needs women to help wage the battle for prohibition of the liquor business. As an organization our numerical strength is estimated by our paid membership. Treasurers, please take your list of unpaid membership to the next meeting of your Union and make an appeal for friends of those members to help you collect their dues. Some

times a woman may live in an inconvenient place for you to reach her, but it may chance to be that some friend of her's, who is present at the meeting, can easily see her and collect her annual dues. If a member fails to pay her dues, be sure to secure the co-operation of the Union in getting a new member to take her place on the list.

Treasurers should always ask for donations for the treasury from men and women who talk about their interest in temperance and seldom give a cent.

TENTH NATIONAL PROHIBITION CONVENTION.

The greatest political convention ever held by the Prohibition party, and the most important political event of the year, occurred at Columbus, Ohio, on Wednesday and Thursday, July 15th and 16th. On the preceding night the Intercollegiate Oratorical Association held a contest in which six young men delivered original orations. The contestants were from California, Oregon, Texas, Iowa and two from our own state. Each of the six speakers displayed marked and exceptional power. The prize of \$100 in gold was awarded to Mr. Charles S. Price of Texas. From this Association many strong leaders will be developed within the next few years. Even now many of the young men from the colleges are taking active part in prohibition work.

On Tuesday morning the great building in which the sessions of the convention were to convene began to be filled with an enthusiastic, happy representation, their friends and visitors. Memorial Hall is one of the largest in the middle west, seating about twice the number of people that our own Tomlinson Hall of Indianapolis will accommodate. This immense building was well filled at the several sessions.

The delegates numbered about twelve hundred and came from nearly every state in the Union. Alternates in large numbers swelled the great crowd of the foremost party prohibition leaders of America. The average age was much younger than at former conventions. The majority was under the age of forty, and this proved to be the source of tremendous enthusiasm as the convention proceeded in its notable work.

Robert H. Patton, of Illinois, as temporary chairman, delivered a telling speech, which appeared in full in such representative papers as the Chicago Record-Herald. The press reports of the entire convention were very full and with fairness and comment, which reflect the national interest manifested by the public.

Charles A. Scanlon, the permanent chairman, made a great address. Eugene W. Chafin, of Illinois, on Tuesday evening captured the immense audience of delegates and visitors with his powerful arguments for party prohibition and won for himself the unexpected nomination as presidential candidate over six other popular candidates. Upon the third ballot this matchless orator was chosen to lead in the coming national contest.

Three candidates for Vice-President were presented, one of whom was Hon. Charles F. Holler, of South Bend, Ind. The choice, however, fell to Aaron S. Watkins, of Ohio, formerly of Taylor University.

The convention responded to an appeal for campaign funds with the magnificent gift of \$18,000 in subscriptions ranging from \$3,000 to \$5. There were two of \$1,000 each; four of \$500; five of \$250, and a large number of \$100. The joyousness of giving was in keeping with the spirit of the entire meeting.

Surely this marvelous and memorable assemblage will spread enthusiasm and bring victory throughout the nation. The platform declares for direct election of Senators, for graduated income and inheritance tax, for federal regulation of interstate corporations, for a permanent and non-partisan tariff commission, for a child labor law, for an adequate and equitable employers' liability act, for equal suffrage with higher standard of intelligence and education as qualifications, for uniformity in marriage and divorce laws, etc.

Commenting on the platform the Chicago Record Herald, in its issue of July 18th, says:

Such a platform as this will command admiration in many circles where there is little prohibition sentiment. It is unquestionably a significant political document, which reflects the constructive and progressive spirit of this wonderful epoch, an epoch of reform, of moral awakening, of a determined and successful struggle against injustice and abuse of privilege and power.

Studying parties and political movements, independent of all, it seems to me the persistency, the zeal, the courage, the dauntlessness of these fighters for principle entitles them to public recognition as the only purely unselfish actors in the national political arena. These people have no fleshpots to beckon them, no spoils to give them zeal. Whatever else it may be, this is distinctively and politically and exclusively the political party of unselfishness, of working for men and women and children, and for nothing else under the sun. And the manner of men and women they are you can read in their faces as they take their seats in the convention hall.

"We record our deliberate judgment that no candidate for any office which in any way may have to do with the liquor traffic, has a right to expect, nor ought he to receive, the support of Christian men so long as he stands committed to the liquor interests or refuses to put himself in an attitude of open hostility to the saloon."

This is the utterance of the last Methodist General Conference. Now is a time for consideration of Mr. Taft's and Mr. Bryan's attitude toward the liquor traffic.

Hon. William H. Taft.
(Staff Correspondence.)

Cincinnati, O.—The record of Hon. W. H. Taft, Republican candidate for President, is of startling interest to temperance Republican voters throughout the United States. He is known to be opposed to the prohibition issue, delivered campaign addresses against the Oklahoma prohibition constitution in 1907, is indorsed by Busch Jones and other big brewers, and the liquor press of the nation is quoting with approval his criticism of prohibition laws in "Four Aspects of Civic Duty."

He championed the canteen, and in 1906, as secretary of war, Mr. Taft wrote an official appeal to congress favoring a government appropriation of \$30,000 to reimburse saloon keepers of San Francisco whose places of business during the great fire had been destroyed by soldiers in an attempt to save other property. This astonishing request was not granted by congress and was indignantly denounced by the religious press, which pointed out its unfairness and partiality when the similar losses sustained by scores of churches that demanded no compensation were considered.

He has never, so far as is known, spoken a friendly word or done a friendly act, public or otherwise, on behalf of the prohibition cause. He received strong support for the presidential nomination from George B. Cox, the notorious Republican saloon boss of Cincinnati and Ohio; from Hon. A. B. Cummins, the anti-prohibition governor, who has upheld the support of the once outlawed liquor power of Iowa ever since he stabbed her state prohibition law to death in 1892 with the infamous mulct compromise, and from many other liquor politicians of the party.

He is by his own testimony a total abstainer, fully aware of the peril in drink, but silent and deliberately inactive in the hour when his support would tell most powerfully for the reform.—American Press Association.

Hon. William J. Bryan.
(Staff Correspondence.)

Lincoln, Neb.—Liquor men of the United States need not worry over the possibility of the election of Hon. William J. Bryan as President of the United States. His record on this issue has just transpired in public interviews and letters and holds out no encouragement to the prohibition Democrat. Mr. Bryan is a total abstainer, but is on record as having voted and openly stumped the state against prohibition in Nebraska in 1889, where the liquor power of the nation concentrated its forces upon that state, padded the 1890 census returns of Omaha, Lincoln and other cities to enable them to cover up wholesale ballot box stuffing and hired thugs to assault prohibition speakers and intimidate voters and bought up the leading newspapers to achieve the most corrupt victory ever won by the booze trust.

Last April Lincoln, Neb., Mr. Bryan's home, went through a terrific battle for local prohibition which was lost by only 178 votes. Mr. Bryan's personal support might easily have changed the result, but he was not heard from during the canvass.

Before either old party convention was held Mr. Bryan said:

I think I am sufficiently informed to predict that the prohibition question will not be discussed in the platforms of either of the leading national parties.

TO BEDFORD.

Every Union in Indiana is entitled to send delegates to the State Convention. The President and one delegate-at-large from every Union, and one delegate for every twenty paid regular members. Members should be considering how much it will mean to attend this convention and to take a boy or girl with them. At Chautauquas rallies and picnics tell the temperance people about this state convention to be held at Bedford.

The Unions in the southern part of the state can greatly increase their usefulness by sending a full quota of delegates and by having the boys and girls and young folks attend.

The official returns of the Internal Revenue office of the United States Treasury Department as reported to the Associated Prohibition Press through the courtesy of Deputy Commissioner J. C. Wheeler, for January and February, 1908, show there have been a decrease of internal revenue collections from distilled and fermented liquors for the first sixty days of 1908. They have been close to \$2,000,000 less than the aggregate of collections for the same sources for the first two months of 1907.

THE INDICTMENT OF A MAN WHO KNOWS.

"As a judge I have faced the woes, the trials, the miseries, and broken homes of society caused only by the want of a proper solution of this problem of problem."

"Thousands and thousands of homes have been broken up, caused by the traffic in intoxicants."

"I have divorced four thousand people. I have tried no less than 6,000 children in the past 6 years."

"This lamentable social condition is traceable in a large degree to the legalized saloon."—Judge Ben Lindsey, Denver, Colo.

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SECRETARY'S LETTER.

Dear Comrades:

Only a few weeks now remain in which to complete our year's work and make our final reports. We have had a year of blessings and victories, and are all looking to the "harvest home" gathering at Bedford which will, no doubt, be a time of great rejoicing. We are all earnestly hoping for a large increase in membership. Hundreds of new women have been brought into our ranks this year, but if old members fail to pay dues this gain will not be apparent. Nothing would rejoice the liquor hosts more than to see a falling off in the membership of the W. C. T. U., but we must show them that the W. C. T. U. of Indiana is very much alive and rapidly growing. Will not every Local Union make a special effort to collect the dues of every old member this quarter, if they have not already paid for this year? If you could realize the importance of this at this time, I am sure it would be done before September 5.

Miss Annie Robbins is in our state and is doing fine work in some of the southern counties, so write me at once for dates.

Mrs. Mary Sibbitt will probably come into the state for work through September. Counties wishing her for convention work should write me at once.

Very few Unions have contributed to the organization fund this year. Will your Union not send \$1.50 to our State Treasurer for this purpose, if you have not already done so?

Your Union is planning, of course, to send a full delegation to our State convention in Bedford. Every Local President should attend. We all need the inspiration of this great gathering to carry us through the difficulties and discouragements that come to all of us in our local work. Plan now to help with expenses so that your Union may have at least one representative. Several counties will make their gain of fifty and will take part in the jubilee. These counties should all have good delegations, with a song and rally cry. Let us make it a jubilee indeed.

We are all mourning the loss of our dear Mrs. Brand, who gave the best years of her life to our great organization. Her wise counsel will be greatly missed, but we still have the inspiration that comes from the memory of her loving service. Let us thank God for her life among us. Close up the ranks and press on to the victory for which she so faithfully labored.

Yours to serve, Mary E. Woodard.

PLAN OF WORK.

Department of Fair and Open Air Meetings.

As State Superintendent, I wish to urge the importance of having County as well as Local Superintendents, and will you kindly send names at once?

The time for our fair and out-door meetings will be here "ere" we are ready if we are not up and doing.

Let us begin NOW to plan for GREAT things, prepare banners, mottos, little bannerettes, with our leading watchwords on them as "Equal Suffrage," "No Tobacco," "Purity," "Total Abstinence," etc. Have a few rockers for tired women, have plenty of suitable literature for boys, girls, young men, young women, voters, mothers, etc. Give them out, not promiscuously, but stopping to ask them to read it at the noon hour or at home. Talk of the work to as many as possible. Have a book; ask women to register name and address for future reference.

Secure space for a booth at fairs, then put up your decorations, including pictures of our pioneer workers. The directors of the Fair Association should give you good space, as we are a County Association, and are entitled to it free from cost.

Please don't fail to push this department, as it is a large field, and we should enter as rapidly as possible.

Plan for out-door picnics with temperance programs. Always distribute suitable literature.

I am very anxious that our state have a splendid year, and to do this EVERY county MUST do something, then be sure to report the same.

Yours to win, Mrs. Lizzie Heath.
310 East Walnut St., Indianapolis, Ind.

"Give fools their gold and knaves their power,
Let fortune's bubbles rise and fall;
Who sows a field or trains a flower,
Or plants a tree, is more than all."

—Whittier.

The sublime truth of these words of Whittier is impressing itself upon the hearts of men more and more as the years go by and our cities grow larger and our forests and fields smaller. The Flower Mission department especially should stop to consider how noble a thing it is to "sow a field or tarin a flower."

Dear sisters, I have sent report blanks to every County Superintendent in the state. Not all of them have been returned. However, I trust that each Local Superintendent is preparing a splendid report for her County Superintendent, so she may soon return her blank to me filled out with a grand report. I feel assured that there has been a great deal of work done in this department which has not been reported. This failure to report very materially cripples the work. Each one of our workers should feel and be as conscientious in reporting Flower Mission work as in doing the work. Flower Mission work opens the door for aggressive temperance work. What is

more beautiful than this "mission of love," which strives to portray the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. The time is short and let us work with renewed zeal, and let each Local Superintendent be prompt and send in her report by September 1st. Our State convention comes earlier this year.

Mrs. Viola R. Harvey,
State Superintendent, Mooresville, Ind.

SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

Dear Superintendents:

Now, in the month of August, just one month until the opening of the school year, is the very best time to make your plans for Scientific Temperance Instruction so that our work begins with the commencement of the school year. Do not neglect to do this, because it is so near the time for the State convention and you do not know whether or not you will be the superintendent for next year. Work just the same as if you always expected to be and this will give you a good report for the convention. My report for the year depends largely upon yours, and if we each do our part we can accomplish something; but if we wait to see about our reappointment much valuable time will be lost, and teachers and school boards will have their plans made for the year, hence our work neglected and left out. A new Superintendent can begin where you left off better than she can begin anew the work so late. I am preparing articles, by request, for two of the Indianapolis papers on our department. If any Superintendent would like the same for your home paper I will send a copy.

Just a word to County and Local Presidents: I am at this time receiving letters from ladies saying they have just been appointed for this department and asking for help. Can we hope to do much if our Superintendents are appointed so late?

Yours for service,
Mrs. Ethel E. Blair,
State Superintendent, North Liberty, Ind.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Dear Friends and Co-Workers:

It does, indeed, give me pleasure to send you this letter in behalf of one of the greatest questions that stares into the face of American citizenship today, that of the abolishing of the home-destroying, heart-breaking curse, the legalized American saloon. To do this we must put our shoulders to the wheel and push with all the strength God has given us. In this fight we have some excellent weapons to fight with. One of our best is The Crusader Monthly, our L. T. L. paper. In this paper is found help for every department of our work. It contains stories to interest and educate the children. Helps and Suggestions for us who are older. In The Crusader Monthly is found food for thought for both old and young. Not only does it help us in our department work but also it often helps us to obtain new members by first interesting them in the paper. When they read of our work they naturally become interested in it and join us. Now let us put our whole souls into the work and get the Crusader in at least 2,500 homes in our state. I am ready and willing to help you all I can, and won't you now please help me by sending me the names of all new subscribers or renewals you can get, and any items of interest that you want published. Many Legions try the contest plan, which works with excellent success. Won't you try it in your Legion and I know you will succeed in getting many subscribers. With best wishes for the success of our cause, I am,

Howard O. Barr,
State Agent and Reporter.

Miss Wintringer, our National Secretary, asks that Each Legion have a Crusader contest to begin on or before July 21, Miss Gordon's birthday, closing on L. T. L. Harvest Home, September 28, Miss Willard's birthday. The name of every Legion responding to this call will appear in our paper, if the Secretary will send a post card saying the Legion will enter into a contest. Let us make a strong campaign for our paper, and every Legion in Indiana do its best to bring up the subscription list for Indiana to 2,500, the number asked by our State Agent.

Our Joy Bells Mailing List was misplaced at the State convention. If any one has found it please return to Mrs. Mix.

Our State Treasurer received dues for 54 members for quarter ending December 15, none March 15th and for June 416, making 470 in all. Last year we paid for 1,056. Now we must not go backward, but forward; let us do our best to get dues from all our members; 11 cents undergraduates and 26 cents for graduates. This is the last quarter of the year; local dues must be in by September 15. After that date forward dues to the State Treasurer, Mr. Harry S. Walsh Bedford. Legions paying dues on all pledged members are entitled to a place on Honor Roll. The Willard-Gordon banner goes to the Legion paying the most dues. Legion Kokomo holds the banner this year. If our state pays \$50 which means 1,000 members, we are entitled to a delegate in the National convention. Let every Legion make an extra effort for dues and report promptly. We want this our very best year.

Mrs. Ida M. Mix,
General Secretary.

FAIR AND OPEN AIR MEETINGS.

Dear Sisters and Co-Workers:

The time for action in this department is at hand, so if we would accomplish the good that we hope to, we must be up and doing. I trust that every organized county will not only do some-

thing in their own county, but will give some financial aid to the State Superintendent, so that the work may make a good showing at the State Fair. Surely this is a great field to reach the people.

You that have had experience in this work will especially understand the meaning of my asking contributions to enable me to make the very best of our opportunity. If each county would help a little it would mean much. County Presidents, please act on this matter so far as you feel it will be practical in your counties.

Any person wanting blanks for this department please send me a card that I may know where to send them, as I find so few Superintendents of this department. Early in the year I sent my plan of work to most of the Counties and I sincerely hope much has been done and will be reported. You see by the Message that the State is preparing premiums for all departments to be given to the county having the best reports. Thanking you in advance for your co-operation in this work, I am,

sincerely yours for service,
Mrs. Lizzie Heath
State Superintendent Fair and Open Air Meetings,
316 E. Walnut St., Indianapolis, Ind.

FIELD NEWS

The Oxford Union observed Flower Mission Day June 5th at the home of Mrs. Rachael Talbot. An interesting program apropos to the day, consisting of papers, stories, a poem and a solo, was given by Mrs. Hallie Morris, Mrs. Steen, Mrs. May Graves, Mrs. Lillie Petree, Mrs. Ada Hawkins and Mrs. Lorra Steen. The Union sent twenty bouquets to the sick and decorated the graves of its departed members with flowers.

Mrs. Mae Wann, Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings for Benton County, held a very good meeting in the Presbyterian church June 19 at Oxford. After her address Mrs. Steen and Mrs. Guinn sang a duet. Then Mrs. Amanda Smith read a paper on the need of Mothers' Meetings. Mrs. Wann sang a solo and Mrs. Goodacre gave a short address.

Mrs. Petree, Benton County Superintendent of Christian Citizenship, held a patriotic service in the Christian church at Oxford, with the co-operation of the ministers of the various churches, as well as Mr. Hall, a former pastor, and Mrs. Goodacre. Many thanks are due to the Christian church choir for the music they rendered.

We organized a new Union at Earl Park June 5th with twenty-seven members. They now have forty-one paid members, which increase is gratifying to Benton County in its determination to secure a net gain of fifty members. Following are the names of the officers: Mrs. Minnie Barr, President; Mrs. Mae Yeager, Vice-President; Mrs. Mae Cooper, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Emma McMahan, Corresponding Secretary; Maud Seward, Treasurer.

Benton County has made all arrangements for their County Convention, to be held at Oxford, August 19-20. Mrs. Vayhinger will be present the first evening to deliver a lecture.

A "Husbands' Meeting," held by the Oxford W. C. T. U., at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hawkins, Tuesday evening, July 7th was one of the happiest events of the season, and was enjoyed by fifty of the members and invited guests. The Oxford ladies are noted for their ability to do things and their reputation did not suffer upon this occasion. The meeting was called to order at 8 o'clock, Mrs. Benedict presiding. Excellent readings were given by Mrs. Wann and Mrs. Morse. The following toasts were responded to: "Our Husbands," by Mrs. Lillie Petree; "Our Wives," by H. W. Steen; "Our New Members," by Mrs. David Gillett. To this Mrs. Harry Goodacre responded in a most happy way. Refreshments, consisting of sandwiches, salad, pickles, ice cream, cake and coffee, were served. It was a very pleasant and profitable meeting, and too much cannot be said of the excellent ladies composing the Union and their efforts in the temperance work. All present felt especially indebted to Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins for their splendid hospitality. The husbands all join in a vote of thanks to the wives who so thoroughly planned this entertaining and profitable meeting. "One of the Husbands."

Mr. Steen. Seymour—Recently the large parlors of the M. E. parsonage were filled to overflowing by ladies to enjoy the medal contest and other good things of the W. C. T. U. program. The musical numbers were a delight to all. Solos by Misses Allen, Sawyer, Chapman and Huckelberry followed each recitation and were much enjoyed. The medal was won by Miss Helen Barnes, and was presented by Miss Katherine Jackson. The other contestants were given silver buttons as souvenirs. Miss Jackson's address was inspiring.

The Terre Haute W. C. T. U. observed Flower Mission Day by decorating a wagon with the Stars and Stripes and visiting the poor farm. Mr. Hedges, the Y. M. C. A. Secretary, accompanied us, and gave a very interesting talk in the chapel. The wards were visited and short services held, and each inmate was given bananas, oranges, a bouquet with Scripture text card attached and literature. The Jail and the Day nursery the Union Hospital, as well as Glenn and St. Ann's Orphans' Homes were also visited. The children were treated to oranges and candy. About seven-

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ty-five have signed the pledge and are keeping the little cards as one of their few possessions. The following articles were distributed: 24,193 pages of literature, 540 bouquets, 29 dozen oranges, 19 dozen bananas, 9 pounds candy 542 Scripture texts, 300 potted plants, 100 yards white ribbon, 2 boxes of dainties, \$27.09 in money.

The Medical Use of Alcohol Will Soon be Out of Date.—Alcohol is a narcotic poison, of which the pernicious effects are to be seen on every hand. Its use is attended with dangers that attach to the prescription of no other substance in the pharmacopoeia; these dangers are not moral only, but physical, resulting from the action of alcohol on the tissues generally, but especially on those of the nerve centers. The use of alcohol as a medicament or alimentary substance for patients suffering from specific infective fevers will soon be relegated to the limbo that has already received vivisection, indiscriminate blistering and other equally barbarous and discredited treatments.—G. Sims Woodhead, M. D., F. R. S. E., Professor of Pathology University of Cambridge.

Bright.—The Fourth of July picnic given in Charles Megrew's grove near Bright was a great success in spite of the frequent showers during the day. At an early hour the parade, consisting of the band boys, horseback riders, various floats and numerous vehicles, wended its way to the grove, where the day was spent very enjoyably by the large crowd present. Decker's band from Lawrenceburg furnished the music. The military drill given by sixteen girls from Harrison was an interesting feature of the day, as was also the grand layout of dinners, the baseball games and the temperance speech by Rev. Beech of Greensburg. Several prizes were given.

Mrs. Sarah Bonham.

Allen County.—Saturday evening, June 13, a very successful Gold Medal contest was held in the Massillon Lutheran church. This is a beautiful country church, six miles southwest of Monroeville. The audience was large and the best attention was given to the speakers throughout. Three ministers were present. The class consisted of five young ladies. The music was prohibition songs from the "Battle Cry," by a quartet from Monroeville, Mr. Peckham, Mr. Barnhart, Mrs. Smith and Miss Ethel Barnhart. The medal was won by Miss Florence Bauserman. The contest was under the management of Mrs. Florence Barnhart County Contest Superintendent.

The Dupont W. C. T. U. gave a temperance, patriotic entertainment entitled "Flags of Freedom" at the Baptist church. About fifty persons took part and it was one of the most enthusiastic and best appreciated by the public of any meeting ever held by the W. C. T. U. The flags of the different nations carried by the children and members of the G. A. R., who marched and counter-marched, the red flag—the danger signal—carried by a messenger, together with the large United States flag, borne by the color bearer, were a scene not soon to be forgotten.—Dupont Press. Mrs. J. E. Crozier, County Superintendent.

College Corner W. C. T. U. observed Flower Mission Day on Thursday, June 11, at the home of Mrs. A. D. Harvey. A very interesting program was presented. Papers, including one with the story of Jennie Cassaday, were read. Refreshments were served. Scripture text was read in response to roll call; forty-three being present. Eighteen bouquets were sent to the sick and shut-ins; two sympathy cards and bouquets were sent to bereaved ones. The Union is working hard for the membership contest. With the help of the Lord we will do all we can.

Huntington County held the most enthusiastic Institute ever held in the county. Mrs. Kroft is a leader and a power. Fifteen new members were gained. A fine contest, both musical and oratorical, was held in the evening. Mrs. Stanley was with us at Markle, and also gave the afternoon address at Chambers Grove where the prohibition rally of Huntington county was held. Her speech was splendid, and the chairman has asked for her for next Fourth of July, both afternoon and evening. We had our franchise petitions and these will speak for themselves. A good collection was taken and in every way the meetings were a success. We are rid of all saloons but a few in the county seat, Huntington, and we believe these are going soon. All townships are dry. We hope to come to State convention with a good report, and as Jeremy Taylor says, we hope we, as a county, can say: "Temperance is season's girdle and passion's bridle, the strength of the soul and the foundation of virtue."

Mrs. Irene Gard, County President.

South Wabash Union met at the pleasant home at Mrs. Margaret Ross for its annual July picnic July 8th. Tables, beautifully decorated with flowers and vines and laden with delicious edibles, were spread on the shady lawn for thirty white ribboners and their friends. After a delightful picnic dinner had been enjoyed, the regular meeting of the Union was held. The devotional service was led by Mrs. Stauffner. Miss Flossie Tippy recited and Mrs. Cooper sang. Mrs. Ross gave some reminiscences of the life of Mary Hunt, whom she had known personally. Rev. Francis Jenkins and Mrs. Lizzie Ebbinghouse treated the crowd to ice cream and cake so all enjoyed another social hour at the prettily decorated tables.

A Gold Medal contest was given at Albany Park in connection with a prohibition rally July 4th. Mrs. Sampson, of Muncie, brought in the class of bright-faced boys and girls to contest for the

medal. Each one spoke well. The medal was awarded to Dorothy Perdieu. The rally was in every respect a success. A goodly crowd of men, women and children were in attendance. The principal address was given by Rev. W. H. Allen, of the Jackson street Christian church, Muncie. In this address Mr. Allen presented truths in a pleasing and graceful way. A male quartet of home talent rendered several impressive songs. The W. C. T. U. women provided a lunch stand, which was well patronized. Bertha Mowry.

The Frankfort Union was successful in remonstrating against the saloons of Frankfort and covering the township also, and the saloons are closing as fast as their licenses expire. Next February we will have the county seat of old Clinton "dry," and we want to say to the Unions of Indiana we did not know where the money and workers were to come from when we undertook the work, but we had volunteers from all the churches to help us, and a part of the money was donated. Our women worked valiantly, and we are raising the remainder by our personal efforts. We recently finished a most successful membership contest, in which over forty new members were added to our Union. Many joined our ranks because they saw we were doing something. While we have been gaining, we have also suffered great losses in our ranks. The Master has seen fit to remove our President, Mrs. Hinds, to higher service and our Union has lost several of its most active and influential members by removals from the state. But our new members are taking up the work nobly, and we are still gaining members and expect to come up to our State convention at Bedford with one hundred and fifty members. Emma Saylor.

Orinoco Union, Bartholomew County, celebrated June 9th as Flower Mission Day at the home of Mrs. Mary Kelenberger. The meeting was under the management of Mrs. Jennie Glick, Superintendent of Flower Mission. A fine literary program was prepared and enjoyed. A number of flowers were donated; a bunch of pansies was pinned on each member and visitor. Children carried flowers to the sick and aged in the town, the jail and the orphans' home, the three newspapers that publish temperance news and the one commissioner we could reach, having recently won on the remonstrance against four of the saloons. The ladies attended during the legal fight. One of the papers published a column on that day for us that informed the reading public of the good work that was being done by Flower Mission work. Texts with white ribbon, are tied on all bouquets with compliments of Orinoco Union. Needless to say the flowers brought sunshine and light, and people's thoughts nearer to God, the giver of all good. B. Beam.

Blackford County gone dry, and great demonstration at Hartford City.—In the remonstrance fight here our County Commissioners decided in favor of the saloons. An appeal was taken. The second trial ended July 8th. It took Judge Sturgis about two minutes after hearing the evidence to decide in favor of the temperance appeal. On June 30th the long-delayed dedication of the water fountain that our W. C. T. U. had placed in the public square occurred. It was a gala day for our people, with the band, the children marching along bearing banners, led by the boys' drum corps. Some of the banners read: "Bread is Better Than Beer," "We Are Afraid of Saloons," "I Wish Mother Could Vote," "What Has the Saloon Done for You?" "Vote for Mother." One unique feature of the parade was a class of barefoot children with a banner, "When You Stop Selling Booze We Will Have Stockings and Shoes." All marched to the public square, where they were joined by the W. C. T. U. Four color bearers forming a square, with the President in the center, followed by a long line of White Ribboners, marched to the fountain. They sang America. Rev. Bray offered prayer after which Mrs. Bert Ritter, in a very appropriate speech, presented the fountain to the present and future generations. Then all marched from the fountain to the platform, which had previously been erected for the concluding services. The platform was gorgeously decorated with flags and bunting. Here the speakers were Messrs. Bonham, Pierce Hines, Reeves, Naftzger, the Local President and Mrs. S. M. Stahl. The speaking was interspersed with splendid music by two quartets. More than 1,000 people were present and strong sentiment was created for the temperance cause. Two saloon keepers announced through the papers that they "closed their saloons during the dedication in honor of the W. C. T. U." Poor fellows closed up, came over to hear their own funerals preached, and they heard it both in sermon and song. May God bless them, save them and put them out of their soul-destroying, home-wrecking, heart-breaking business and in a business where they may be a blessing instead of a curse to humanity.

Mrs. S. M. Stahl.

NATIONAL CONVENTION EXCURSIONS INTO THE ROCKIES.

Colorado women are anxious that visiting comrades to the National Convention shall enjoy as much as possible of magnificent mountain scenery in a limited time; at a minimum expense, and have arranged for two excursions from Denver.

The famous "Georgetown Loop and Gray's Peak" all-day trip can be taken October 29 or 30, fare \$3.50. The rocky walled canon is only a forty minutes' ride from the city; through this the train travels into the heart of the Rockies, passing picturesque mining towns and crossing the world-

famous loop. At Silver Plume, a different engine a mountain climber, is attached, and a zig-zag ascent of over 3,000 feet is made up the mountain side, ending in a region of snowbanks and flowers. At the top, 14,007 feet above sea level, one is surrounded by mountain peaks and the wonderful panorama of mountain and plain in the distance. The owner of the road which goes to the top never allows a Sunday train to go over it, prohibits liquors from his properties and is a tither.

An all-day excursion over the "Moffat Road" can be taken on either of two days, October 30th or 31st, fare \$3.00. This road is also remarkable for engineering skill. Instead of going around insurmountable obstacles, it goes through many of them. It gives a wonderful view of a beautiful mountain park, glaciers and perpetual snow and circles "Yankee Doodle Lake" at an elevation of 10,800 feet. Lunch will be eaten on the Continental Divide, the backbone of the country, at an altitude of 11,600 feet.

Mrs. Adrianna Hungerford,
President Colorado W. C. T. U.

Barrels and Bottles, is a liquor paper published in Indianapolis. In the July issue it assures their trade that they need have no fear for their business if Taft or Bryan be elected. On two inside editorial pages, occupying exact positions facing each other, are portraits of Bryan and Taft. Under that of the former it reads: "Shall it be William? He declares prohibition not a national issue." Below the latter it reads: "Or would you prefer 'Bill'? He pronounces prohibition 'the rankest sort of folly.'" What will our good home-loving men of this country do in November? Will they elect one of these candidates? Why can not the needs of the home and the children be considered? Now is the time for our women everywhere to plead for the home to be considered and oppose the election of men who do not condemn the liquor business.

EFFECTS OF PROHIBITION IN KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE.

Statements have recently been made in far-off cities that Knoxville has been bankrupted by prohibition. An examination of the budgets for expenditures this year and last indicates that the members of the board of mayor and aldermen do not think that this city is bankrupt. Under the new budget the school fund has been increased from \$65,000 to \$103,000. The street fund has been increased from \$25,000 to \$30,000. The water fund has been increased \$2,000, the light fund \$1,500. The members of the police and fire departments have had their wages increased \$5 per month and the chiefs \$10 per month. per month. The appropriation for the board of public works has been increased from \$800 to \$3,600. The city will use \$14,000 of its school appropriation to build additions to the school buildings. At this time, when many cities, which have not adopted prohibition, are cutting off men and reducing wages, it does not look like bankruptcy when Knoxville has the means with which to increase salaries.—Knoxville Sentinel.

Dr. A. B. Leonard, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal church said: "I hope that the convention may nominate the right man. The Prohibition Party cannot afford to go out of existence now. More than any other organization, it has brought about the present tidal wave of temperance reform that is sweeping the country."

Two years of prohibition in Greenville, S. C., show that in that city, with its thirteen cotton mills, employing more than 10,000 men, business has increased 50 per cent. with the merchants; murder, once common, is a rarity, while more factory people bought and built homes in the last two years than they had done before that time in ten years.

IN MEMORIAM.

ALBANY:—Death has called from us one of our oldest and most faithful W. C. T. U. members. After several weeks of intense suffering Malissa Crow passed into the life beyond. Not only the Union, but likewise the church mourns the loss of one who was always ready to help in every good work.

ALBANY UNION extends its sincerest sympathy to the parents of dear little Lola M. Barlow in their recent bereavement.

ALBANY:—The death angel came June 19th and claimed Mrs. Caroline Stafford. Her sweet presence, bright smile, loving words and wise counsel will be sadly missed by her family and all who knew her. The Union extends its sympathy especially to her daughter, Laura Powers.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Carmel has lost an earnest efficient member in the death of Drusilla Wilson. She was ninety-three years one month and six days old. She was a charter member of the W. C. T. U. in Kansas. She and her good husband were friends and entered heartily into the campaign for Prohibition for Kansas at that time, they traveled more than 2000 miles over that state in a buggy, speaking and working for Prohibition. She continued to be a member of the W. C. T. U., until the time of her death, and was actively engaged in temperance work so long as her strength permitted. The latter years of her life were spent chiefly in writing for the cause. We feel our loss but rejoice in the knowledge that she is reaping the reward of a long life spent in the service of God.

TOCSON UNION, mourns the death of Sarah Wasson recently called to her eternal home, at the age of 63 years. She was a patient sufferer for months. She will be missed by the W. C. T. U. members with whom she had worked so faithfully.

Our Heavenly Father has called to higher service Mrs. Kate Baker, of Red Key local W. C. T. U. after a life of loving, noble service. Her long and painful illness was borne with sweet christian patience. Often would she say, with love light in her eyes, "I wear the white ribbon for the sake of my boys." With the emblem of purity pinned on her breast and her casket bound about with white ribbon, we laid her to rest.

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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CALL FOR CONVENTION.

The Thirty-fifth Annual Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana will be held at Bedford, Ind., Oct. 9-13, 1908.

This meeting is composed of the officers of the State Union, Secretary of Young Woman's Branch, Secretary of L. T. L., Superintendents of Departments, Presidents County Organizations, Chairmen of Standing Committees, State Organizers, Editor of Message, the President and one delegate-at-large from each union, and one additional delegate for every twenty paying members. All L. T. L. County Secretaries whose county has six Legions or more paying dues. One delegate who shall be a member of the W. C. T. U. and an active L. T. L. worker for each \$10 of L. T. L. dues from the combined Legions of the state.

The ante-executive meeting will be held at 2 p. m. Oct. 8th. All members of the executive are urged to be present.

Culla J. Vayhinger, President.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Since the investigation recently by the Temperance Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, many strange facts have been brought to light. Some of these facts are scarcely comprehensible by those of us who believe that our government is truly representative. Can it be possible that our most powerful national legislator, namely, Speaker Cannon, can be an autocrat?

Let us examine the reports of his attitude and then draw our conclusions.

There are certain measures which Speaker Cannon opposes, hence, it is said, he recognizes no United States Representative on the floor of the House unless the said Representative has previously interviewed him and made known the purpose of the speech which he desires to make. In this manner Speaker Cannon has very thoroughly throttled the Interstate Liquor Shipment Bill, which has been pending in Congress for the past five years. Perhaps, even some W. C. T. U. women do not know that this "shipment bill" does not seek to impose prohibition on any locality—it simply provides that liquor shipped from one state to another shall immediately upon crossing the boundary become subject to the laws of the state into which it is consigned. Hence the bill in its last analysis is only a defensive measure for the integrity of the several states' laws individually. For this our Constitution stands—no state has the right to encroach upon the restrictions of another state—and to preserve the states' integrity our national laws are surely obligated by all tradition, precedent and by the Constitution itself.

To revert to Speaker Cannon's autocracy. According to the official address, issued to the 3,000,000 communicants of the Methodist Episcopal Church: "The Speaker of the House of Representatives absolutely controls its proceedings. He is opposed to this legislation. He has used the power of his office to hold it in the judiciary committee, appointed by him, on the alleged ground that it is unconstitutional." Could any policy be more contradictory to the letter and spirit of our Constitution than for one man, who holds his office by virtue of his representing (supposedly) the people, to so dominate the action of the national legislative body? In theory the function of his office is merely that of presiding over a House of National Representatives, whose freedom of speech and action is unimpaired. Of course the Speaker's power also includes the great privilege of appointing committees, but this right we do not begrudge a conscientious, just man, since it elevates his official capacity, even above that of presiding over the House. But when a man, such as Speaker Cannon, becomes so autocratic as to refuse to grant any representative the floor upon any subject, be it the liquor shipment bill or what not, which represents the pulse of the people, then we say in a loud voice: "It is time to remove such a man from office!"

Many people will co-operate with the Methodists in seeking to prevent Mr. Cannon from maintaining his high official position as Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States of America, in which capacity he has long since proven himself unjust and undemocratic to the interests of the people.

No influence is at present so persuasive as printer's ink. * * * Whoever fails to rate the press at its true value has but grasped the fractional part of the problem of reform.—Irene Fockler.

The voice that speaks dies on the air almost before its echoes reach us, but the firm type and black ink hold thru months and years. * * * When you have put a thought into cold type it is there "for keeps."—Frances E. Willard.

TEMPERANCE DAY BETHANY PARK AUG. 13.

The weather was fine and everything auspicious for a great day. Such it was in reality.

There was the greatest crowd ever known at Bethany. The W. C. T. U. Conference was presided over by the President, Mrs. Lizzie Heath.

The speakers of the day were Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Prof. Charles Scanlon and Judge Samuel J. Artman. The profoundest attention and consideration was given to the phases of the subjects presented by these speakers of ability and wide reputation.

WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?

The following is quoted from the LOUISIANA WHITE RIBBONER and says very aptly in the Southern blunt fashion what we Northerners could scarcely put so forcibly in twice the space.

"In an interview some time ago Mr. Bryan said that he did not believe in the principles of prohibition, that the question is not an issue and that he voted against prohibition in 1890.

This is disappointing to all who have banked upon his clean life, and abstinence from strong drink and tobacco, and seems to put him in the attitude of saying do as I do and not as I say. It is a great pity that an intellectual giant should exhibit this one weak spot, especially since he is the noble son of a white-ribbon mother, but if "Ma could vote," the only reason why she could be induced to vote for Bryan would be to keep Taft from being elected. We cannot think of a worse calamity that could befall this nation than that its Chief Executive should deny the Divinity of Christ. Let no Christian forget that Taft is a Unitarian; and every vote cast for him says with Peter: "I know not the man." Conscience and Right cry out, "Will you crucify your King?" and the voter for Taft replies, "We have no King but Mammon."

If Christians vote as they pray next November they will have to forsake the two old whiskey soaked parties and find a man who is not afraid to face the issue and has sense enough to recognize it as such."

THE PROHIBITION MOWER.

(Antoinette A. Hawley.

For thirty years the tried and true,
World-battered W. C. T. U.,
Has sown its seed with lavish hand
From end to end of this dear land.

It grew; no energy malign
Had power to kill its germ divine,
And old King Alcohol, in fright,
Beheld the fields, all harvest-white.

"Reap," cried the South; "Reap," cried the North,
And Prohibition sallied forth
To gather Oklahoma's sheaves
And pile them 'neath his bulging eaves.

He marched through Georgia with his host
And left it clean from coast to coast.
And Alabama saw with pride
A prohibition swath, state wide.

So strides the Mower forth; the plains
Of Texas bear his loaded wains,
While Carolina bids him come
To shout her temperance "Harvest Home."

All through the South they smile to hear
That Prohibition's drawing near;
And Mississippi at her gates
To herald his glad coming waits.

Oh! Sluggish West! Arouse! The foe
Lurks everywhere, his tares to sow,
And where there should be golden yield,
Behold! a black and barren field.

Come forth, oh, men and women true
And plow, and plant, and till anew,
Till every plain and sun-kissed height
Shall answer back with harvest white.

Two decisions affecting women have been given out by the United States Supreme Court. One is the prohibition of employes from forcing women to work more than ten hours a day. The other is that no man under the penalty of the law (\$5,000) can import any alien woman or girl for immoral purposes. If this law is enforced, as it should be, it will be a telling blow against the infamous traffic in girls.—Granite State Outlook.

Governor Johnson, of Minnesota, in a recent letter to the National Woman Suffrage Association, said: "I have repeatedly, in public and in private, declared my belief in equal suffrage. Certainly I think there can be little room for argument that the women of the United States, with their broad culture and strong sympathies, are entitled to every suffrage that the men of the country now enjoy."

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Dear Sisters:

The time for the State Convention will soon be here and with it will come the closing of the books for the year 1907-8 in W. C. T. U. work. What we do must be done quickly. We have gained up to this time about 850 members over last year, but that is about 60 short of what we set out to accomplish. There remains about two weeks and in that time much can be accomplished if we set to work with a will to reach our aim, 1,500 gain in 1908.

The state has purchased some beautiful banners, real works of art, which will be given for excellence in work.

A banner will be given to the county making largest per cent. gain in membership; a banner will be given to the Union making the largest per cent. gain in membership; a banner will be given to the Union having the largest subscription list to the Union Signal in proportion to its membership.

We have also purchased beautiful pennants; one for each Department in the state, with the name of the Department upon it. These will be given by the State Superintendents to the Unions sending the best reports of work done in the several Departments.

Let each Union see how many pennants it can carry home. So get to work and send in reports—for all reports must be in the hands of State Superintendents by Sept. 15 in order to appear in the advance sheets of the annual report which will be printed.

Hold your County Conventions early, so that you may be ready for State Convention. Send your President (paying her expenses), one delegate-at-large and one delegate for each twenty paid-up members in your Union.

Yours for service, Culla J. Vayhinger.

AT CHICAGO.

Prof. Charles Scanlon, a secretary of the Permanent Committee on Temperance of the Presbyterian Church, made the official speech at Chicago notifying Hon. Eugene W. Chafin of his nomination for President of the United States on the Prohibition ticket. In stirring words he said, to quote in part:

"It is no empty honor which has been conferred upon you. Only a virtuous and an intelligent people can long remain free; only those who know and observe the distinction between liberty and license, between self-restraint and blind indulgence are either worthy or capable of self government. From the vantage ground of this nomination you will have larger opportunity to propagate these principles, and as you go to and fro over this broad land sowing such seed you will inevitably feel yourself enveloped in an atmosphere of moral grandeur which reduces all material magnificence to toys and renders temporary victory contemptible in comparison with the satisfaction of duty well done.

"You are not asked to lead a forlorn hope. The final issue of this struggle is not now nor ever has been in doubt. The principles advocated by the Prohibition party are as certain to prevail as time is to continue. Already they have been accepted by the churches and a large proportion of the people. They have been adopted by five states within a year and by hundreds of counties and townships. They are believed by a large majority of the people of the nation, and however many may vote against you, few will deny that the triumph of prohibition, for which you are the only presidential candidate who has the courage to contend, would bless this world as few events since the advent of the Son of God has blessed it.

"In the divorce records, as numerous as they are shameful, in crowded asylums and orphanages and almshouses and prisons; in municipal graft and political corruption; in timid pastors and tipping people; in the groans of fathers and the grief of mothers; in the pleading of wives and the woes of little children; in the calls of the church and the claims of patriotism, the Prohibitionist hears the Divine command to go forth in defense of the oppressed for the redemption of this nation.

"But again, some one asks, what have they done? They have unmasked the liquor traffic and made it a byword and a hissing throughout the world; they have taught every man, woman and child in the nation that one strong, simple word—PROHIBITION—on the lips of honest men is the death warrant for the most atrocious criminal that ever preyed upon the human race; without deal or dicker, without compromise or confusion and with unsullied garments they have moved through the political mire of nearly forty years 'as conspicuously beautiful as a star riding solitary through the night'; under a galling fire of ridicule from the opinionated opponents, up steep

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Indiana State W. C. T. U. Convention, October, 8-13, 1908
National W. C. T. U. Convention, Denver, Colorado, October 23-28, 1908.

Engage the best speakers available for temperance picnics and rallies.

Now is the time to secure speakers for annual County Conventions, to be held in September.

State Superintendents' reports must be in the hands of the Secretary by Sept. 15th, in order that they may be printed for use at the convention. These reports must be made in figures. "Think," or "a goodly number," or "a great many," or "several" cannot be computed. Figures alone are adequate to make proper reports.

Prohibition in some form, is the vital subject today before the people of the United States. It is the one subject of interest everywhere and among all classes of people. Considering this fact, is it not strange that neither the Republican nor Democratic party recognizes the subject at all. Their presidential candidates, Mr. Taft and Mr. Bryan, have not and will not mention this subject during their campaigns. There seems to be a strong undercurrent against this ignoring of the temperance issue, and an increasing sentiment in favor of a strong, bold stand for the prohibition party in order to secure the needed relief and to put men in office who would be favorable to and would enforce the laws.

TO DENVER.

Our Indiana people will join the National W. C. T. U. train en route for Denver at Chicago.

The train leaves Chicago Tuesday morning, Oct. 20th, shortly after midnight, and arrives in Denver at 7:30 Wednesday morning.

Those going from Indiana will buy local tickets to Chicago, and at the Northwestern Railway station in Chicago buy a homeseeker's ticket for \$32.15 to Denver and return. The tickets are good over the Northwestern to Omaha, and from there over the Union Pacific. The tickets are good for twenty-one days (return limit Nov. 10) and allow diversified route returning.

Pullman rate, Chicago to Denver, is \$6.00. For a berth, two people in a berth, each pays \$3.00.

As every one will probably want to go to Colorado Springs or Pueblo, tickets (same rate) should be bought to one of these points beyond Denver.

Those desiring to go and to make sleeper reservations should write to Mrs. McWhirter and send the money. Reservations will be made in the order applied for.

If you are not quite familiar with the geography of the route and country surrounding Denver, Colorado Springs, etc., look up your map.

The Prohibition sentiment in Indiana is increasing rapidly. The thirty-three years of persistent educational work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is largely responsible for the momentum of the present time. It is great to contemplate the work of our Department Superintendents in county, state and nation—the tons of literature sent out and the wonderful educational force of our W. C. T. U. papers. The Union Signal rings clear for Prohibition and is the very greatest philanthropic journal today in the whole world. It is ably edited by one of our strong young women, Mrs. Cornelia T. Jewett. Notwithstanding we rejoice over the achievements of the past now is the time when every effort counts. The sentiment against the saloon is strong and the sentiment in favor of total abstinence is increasing. We must persistently keep up the agitation and education methods in order to get the benefit of this high-tide of interest and enthusiasm. Distribute leaflets, distribute papers and hold public meetings and oratorical contests. This plan has succeeded in the past, and right now is the time to push on these education methods. There has never been a time when the people were as receptive as now; when one public meeting would count for so much, or when fifteen or fifty cents' worth of good practical literature distributed would bring such returns to our cause. In recent issues of the Message excellent leaflets have been mentioned, with address and prices. Much can be done by a Union and much can be

done by individuals. Help to increase the harvest by doing something definite now while the great wave of Prohibition is sweeping over this country.

MOTHER STEWART.

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Stewart, or "Mother" Stewart, as she was better known, who was one of the most famous leaders of the White Ribbon movement and a participant in the Woman's Crusade of the seventies, died at her home in Hicksville, Ohio, Thursday, August 6th, in her 93rd year. Her life was a benediction of consecrated zeal for the cause she loved.

"Mother" Stewart was 92 years old. She devoted her life to the temperance cause. Mrs. Stewart established the first W. C. T. U. in Ohio at Osborn in 1873. In 1876 she visited England and organized the first W. C. T. U. in that country. Following the civil war she lectured extensively in the Southern states on behalf of the war sufferers.

STATE SUPERINTENDENTS.

Dear Sisters:

We are to help make up the program for the coming Convention. Remember your reports are to be in the hands of the State Corresponding Secretary by September 17th so that advance sheets may be printed. Remember you are to present to the county sending you the best report a beautiful pennant. These pennants have been provided by the State, and each Superintendent will be given one representing her Department, which, during the Convention, will be presented by her to the County Superintendent of her Department (or some one representing the county) who has sent to her the best report. This will be my last communication to you before Convention. As your Secretary I am very desirous that the session used by the Superintendents on program may be the very best of the Convention. I hope the County and Local Superintendents who read this will not forget how important it is for you to report to your respective Superintendent. A good report by your State Superintendent depends upon you doing your duty.

Faithfully yours, Gertrude Fulton,
Secretary Board of Superintendents.

COUNTY CONVENTIONS

Will be held all over Indiana during the month of September. For these conventions there will be good programs and excellent papers and speeches.

There is not a member of the W. C. T. U. in the state but can help to make her County Convention a success. Yes, even those who are "shut-ins" can help by talking about the convention to those who call. All can urge members and friends to attend. Some can arrange for a party to go. By having the program made early and published in full in the newspapers some will be interested. Items concerning the features of the convention published in the papers will attract attention. Announce and advertise the convention for weeks attractively and wisely, as lecture bureaus advertise their concerts, and the people will attend the convention and become interested.

DEAR STATE SUPERINTENDENTS.

At the mid-year executive meeting it was decided that State Superintendents shall conduct quizzes at State Convention instead of reading reports, as has been the custom heretofore. Each Superintendent will be given ten minutes for her quiz.

Advance sheets of our reports will be printed. Each Superintendent is requested to have her report in the hands of the Secretary, Mrs. Rose Pearce, Cayuga, by not later than Sept. 17th.

The State has this year purchased beautiful pennants, to be awarded by each State Superintendent to the Local Union sending in the best report of work done in her Department. We hope that this will have the desired effect of increased activity and interest in reporting.

Cordially yours, Kathryn W. Holler,
President Board State Superintendents.
749 Howard Ave., South Bend.

THE PRESS DEPARTMENT.

Dear Comrades One and All:

The time for bringing in the sheaves is near at hand, and although we have only a few days to work let us close the year so well that when our reports are sent in we will know that we all have done all we could. The world is judging our organization by the knowledge it has of our work, and its interest is in proportion to its knowledge. The White Ribboners themselves must give this information, and there is no better way to reach thousands of people than through the columns of the newspapers, for they are found in nearly every home in the land. It is gratifying to read the letters of the Superintendents as they tell in warmest terms of the great benefits their Unions have derived from the use of the press. I wish all Unions could be made to realize the need of pushing this Department.

Last March I communicated with every organized county, and sent my plan of work and a personal letter with my question blank, but only about half the counties have responded. I have now sent report blanks for the closing of the year's work, and I beg of you not to treat the matter lightly. I want every Superintendent,

either County or Local, who has not received one of these blanks to write me immediately and I will forward blanks by return mail, so we will yet have the best report ever given in this Department.

The State has purchased a beautiful pennant, bearing the name of the Department, and this pennant will be presented to the Union making the best report of work done in the Press Department during the year. So, dear sisters, be sure to send a full report, and send it promptly.

Yours in loving service,

Mrs. Emma Saylor, State Supt.

52 Taylor St., Frankfort, Ind.

Anderson, Ind., August 15, 1908.

Dear Sisters:

As time, which beareth all things onward, brings us to the hour when our year's work must be completed, and as we bring and lay at the feet of our beloved President the ripened grain gathered in our field of labor may we see her approving smile and her cheering words, "she hath done what she could." Dear ones, if this is to be our happy experience we must bring forth worthy fruits. To this end I urge a complete account of the year's work. All Local Superintendents report to the County, and the County Superintendents send reports to the State. In my July letter I stated that I had sent literature and blanks to every County President, asking her to hand them to the Superintendent, if there were any, and if not I requested her to kindly appoint one. I have tried to reach every one, and I am hoping for a hearty and quick response from all. With love and Christian greetings to all White Ribboners, I am yours for service,

Mrs. Abbie Hobson,

State Superintendent Proportionate and Systematic Giving, Anderson, Ind.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP.

Dear Superintendents and County Presidents:

This is to remind you that just a few days over four weeks remain before the State Convention, and only about two weeks until my report must be in the hands of the State Recording Secretary. Have you kept a full account of work done and reported to me? If not, won't you gather up the fragments and send them on? Don't forget to report Fourth of July picnics and out-door meetings that belongs to our Department. Have your ministers preach a "Christian Citizenship" sermon in October. Study questions on report blank sent you. I will present a beautiful C. C. pennant, furnished by the State, to County Superintendent or President sending me the best report by Sept. 17th.

Faithfully yours,
Mrs. Gertrude Fulton, Supt.

FAIR AND OPEN AIR MEETINGS.

Dear Superintendents and County Presidents:

The time for action is here for this Department. I sincerely hope every organized county in our state will do something in this Department. There is no greater opportunity in the work of the W. C. T. U. to reach the public than through these out-door gatherings. I have sent out my leaflets with a plan of work to most of the counties and I trust all work done will be reported to me by September 15th. You have all been reading in the Message of the prize the State is preparing for the county that does and reports the best work done. I wish those who desire blanks for this work would send me a card as I find so few Superintendents. Will you not appoint a woman who will push this work?

Lovingly, Mrs. Lizzie Heath,
State Superintendent.

MRS. STANLEY'S NOTE BOOK.

Dear Sisters:

I am just waiting two hours for my train north in the home of our dear Clara Sears. Her reports cheer my heart. Let every Union do her best, and we'll have the jubilee in Bedford over our 1,500 gain. Now women, hustle, and victory is ours!

Our assembly work has been very gratifying. At Winona our Contest Department won laurels for the young people's work. At Columbus Convention our public schools had a county rally where every school in county was represented. At Bethany our dear big brother Charles Scanlon spoke on prohibition and made a strong plea for enfranchisement of women. I had fine audiences this week at Bethany.

I went to Westfield and Pleasant View the 14th. Dollie Stabler was there with her county banner. All ready for State Convention. Was delighted with their county gains.

I now go to Elkhart, 16; Waukarusa, 17; New Paris, 18; Island Park, 19; Richmond, 20; Auburn, 24; St. Joe, 25; Ft. Wayne, 26; Berne, 27.

Yours for victory,
Elizabeth T. Stanley.

TO BEDFORD.

Every Union in Indiana is entitled to send delegates to the State Convention. The President and one delegate-at-large from every Union, and one delegate for every twenty paid regular members. Members should be considering how much it will mean to attend this convention and to take a boy or girl with them. At Chautauquas rallies and picnics tell the temperance people about this state convention to be held at Bedford.

The Unions in the southern part of the state can greatly increase their usefulness by sending a full quota of delegates and by having the boys and girls and young folks attend.

THE MESSAGE

AT CHICAGO.

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and stony paths which could be tracked only by the feet of fearless faith, they have born aloft the banner of righteousness and planted it upon the ramparts of truth; they have stormed the citadel of antiquated science and dispelled the medical superstitions of centuries; they have won verdicts from the courts which the liquor interests would give millions to have reversed; they have expounded the word of God so that on this great issue the Church has harmonized its position with His revelation of Himself in His works of creation and in the life and teaching of His Son.

"These, Mr. Chafin, are the people and the principles you are commissioned to represent. If you command the support you deserve, you will have the praise, the sympathy, the assistance and the vote of as many as have votes, of the one hundred sixty thousand (160,000) ministers in the United States, of the one and one-half million (1,500,000) Sabbath school teachers, of the thirty million (30,000,000) church members, of the four hundred sixty thousand (460,000) public school teachers, and of all others who love virtue and hate vice, and will be the next president of the United States. If you do not get the support you will deserve it, and that is better than to get the office and not deserve it.

"Here is your commission, and here is your platform. Go forth in the name and in the power of truth and humanity and may God speed the right."

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Indiana Joy Bells. August, 1908.

My Dear Co-Workers:

As we near the close of the last quarter of the W. C. T. U. year, please get in your full report for the year. Let us be prompt. Quarter closes Sept. 15th. Send your reports to County Superintendent Sept. 16th, so she can forward reports to me, as my report must be in hands of printer Oct. 2d. If you have no County Superintendent, send report direct to me. Collect dues. There has been dues sent in to State Treasurer for 496 members. Remember, we must make it 2,000 to get our two national delegates in National W. C. T. U. Convention. Do your best for Crusader Monthly; bring up your Department work, and report all work done. Remember, every Legion paying \$10 dues gets a delegate in State W. C. T. U. Convention, as well as the County Secretary whose county has six Legions or more. See Article 7, page 116 of Annual Report of W. C. T. U. Please see if you are entitled to a delegate; have them appointed. Lovingly yours for success,

Ida M. Mix.

Dear Legioners:

It is with pleasure that I take up the Legion work this year, and it ought to be a joy to every one. The Legion work is one of the grandest in which we can spend our time and energy. We have accomplished great things—are accomplishing great things, and will do still greater before our work is done. We don't want Indiana to fall behind her sister states, and, therefore, it is plain that we must work and work hard. One of the greatest difficulties is the scarcity of funds with which to work. Let us get busy and make this year our greatest by furnishing more money than ever before. Let every Legion make a donation to the State Treasury, and not only one but several donations. Collect all dues, both graduate and undergraduate. Give parties, contests, drills, socials and anything else you think of and give the proceeds to the state work. Hoping you will all respond quickly and generously, I remain,

Lovingly yours, Harry S. Walsh,

State Treasurer, 1117 Lincoln Ave., Bedford, Ind.

Dear Co-Workers:

As the Joy Bells reach most of the State Officers, Superintendents, Leaders and Legioners of the State L. T. L., I take advantage of them and write this letter urging all interest in this, and that the coming year may be the banner year for Indiana. Let us put the state we love on an equal basis with the stronger states of our nation. We can do it, if we use our perseverance and courage. I am sure Indiana Legioners do not lack these qualities. Pennsylvania and New York were only a little ahead of us in the number of graduates, Crusader Monthly subscriptions, donations to the different funds, and in the number of members. Let us make an earnest effort to have 200 graduates. Several Legions have made pledges already. Let me urge the others to do the same thing. Mr. Barr tells me we are making a steady gain in our subscriptions to Crusader Monthly over last year. Let's all put our shoulder to the wheel and boost the Crusader Monthly subscriptions to 2,000. Let every Superintendent push their Department work as much as possible, and make great gains in all our work this year. Let us all do our best and make the coming year the greatest and best we have ever had. In closing, I wish to say if I can help an officer or superintendent in any way, please do not hesitate to write me, and I will answer immediately. Wishing the best of success to all, and recalling our graduate motto, "We Work to Win," I remain ever interested,

Alfred Cowley,
State Vice-President.

Dear Co-Workers:

Another leaf has been turned in the book of time, and we are again asked to record on the clear, white pages the work of the year just before us. At the close of the year 1909 shall we look on these pages and see the gain in membership of the Loyal Temperance Legion? Shall we see that there has been more work done in our Departments? We dare not think that they could record anything else but success, when we have all pledged ourselves to do more than ever before. As your State Junior Superintendent for the coming year I again urge you to do more for the children. We do not find the saloon waiting until the child is grown to lay hands on it, but, oftentimes, snatches it from its mother's arms. And so must we, if we intend to raise up the on-coming generation to be strong men and women. The first years of the child are the imitative years, and if the child is brought into contact with the Legion then it will, in nearly every case, bear with it the stamp of the Loyal Temperance Legion through life. Keep each child busy at something; give him so many pages of literature to distribute, or so many bouquets to give out before the next meeting, and in this way make each one feel that they are a necessary member of the Legion. If at any time I can help you in any way, please let me know and I will be glad to write you. Trusting that God may bless you and help you, I remain your co-worker,

Rosa Alice Hainlen,

4206 S. Landis St., Marion.

Dear Legioners and Friends:

I am again coming to you with another letter in which I wish to praise you for your work and the way you have supported me, and also to encourage you to press on to victory. I received a letter from Miss Anna A. Gordon stating that by the count of July 15th we had made a gain of 192 names, or a total of 909 subscriptions to C. M. To me that is very good news. It means that we can work if we will. It means two or three thousand subscriptions for this year. It means Indiana can lead the list of all the states. It means a great many young people interested in the temperance cause, and many young lives saved from loss of health, character and happiness. Isn't that a reward, a great reward, for our labor? Let us work hard the rest of the year, and I know we will be proud of the results. Let us push the work now, especially while we have these club rates. One thing more: Of all the gain of 192 subscribers, I would have known of only forty of them but for Miss Gordon's letter. If you do not send the subscriptions to me to send in, please send me the list of names you get, as I wish to keep a record of all renewals or new subscribers during the year. Your friend and co-worker,

Howard O. Barr,

State Agent and Reporter for Crusader Monthly, 1623 North F. St., Elwood.

Greencastle, 1909—Let us begin to make this the largest and grandest convention we have ever had, with the greatest amount of work accomplished. All aboard for Greencastle, 1909.

Let each Legion work for one life member this year. Let each Legion have a delegate in W. C. T. U. Convention at Bedford, Oct. 8-13, 1908.

Kokomo W. C. T. U. had a tent at the Chautauqua held at Athletic Park, Kokomo. A part of these Joy Bells were gotten out in the tent. A picture was made while the work was being done. Post cards will be put out soon with this picture. Let all who wish them send in orders to Miss Harriett Stockton, Kokomo. Mr. Alfred Cowley, State Vice-President, and Miss Vina Bull, State Superintendent of Literature, were among our callers from out of the city during our stay in the tent.

Remember, each Legion paying dues for all pledged members are placed on Honor Roll. Dues must be in as soon as year closes, Sept. 15th. Then hurry up, graduates. Banner for most graduates in any one Legion. Elwood has it now. Then the banner for Legion paying largest amount of dues before year closes. All dues must be in on time. Year closes Sept. 15th. Send money to our State Treasurer Sept. 16th. Address Harry S. Walsh, 1117 Lincoln Ave., Bedford, Ind. Don't forget.

Send report of all work done; fill out blank sent to you. I will send it first of September; if you fail to get one, drop me a card and I will send at once, as we all want a full report this year for State Convention at Bedford. It will be printed in annual report, and we all want to see our Legion in that report.

It would be a great help to our Legioners to attend the W. C. T. U. State and National Convention. Can we not go?

General State Secretary.

An Open Letter From the National L. T. L. Secretary.

Note—Dear Faithful L. T. L. Secretary:—Will you please read the following letter at the next meeting of your L. T. L. and act upon it immediately? If you have not a graduating class call for volunteers. There is still time for any bright young person to begin and complete the study of

the four numbers of Vol. 1 for graduation by Oct. 10. By doing this you will help us attain the 2,000 L. T. L. graduates for 1908, and perhaps enroll your state for the first time on the roster of Graduate States. If your Legion has not paid dues, will you not have the Secretary call the roll and ask the Legioners to at once respond to this call? If you have not held a Crusader Monthly Contest, will you not appoint captains at once, choose sides and start your Legioners out to win? Please remember that whatever you do must be done quickly. Much can be done at the Eleventh hour, and success or defeat is often dependant on the effort of these last days. Shall it be Forward!

A Greeting.

Dear Legioners:—Our L. T. L. Fleet is nearing the end of its 1908 cruise. When following the flagship, Prohibition, we set sail—the L. T. L. of every state a mighty ship, every Legion a transport or monitor, and each Legioner in the United States a glad volunteer—we sail under no secret orders. It was ours to accomplish every line of work outlined for 1908. Every ship was to sail under The Crusader Monthly flag and we were to make our banner known to 50,000 homes. Have you been color bearers, carrying The Crusader Monthly to victory in our campaign for 50,000 subscribers, or have you lowered our banner through loss of subscribers in your own Legion? Will you not at once start a Crusader Monthly contest, to close September 28th, secure an entry for our Crusader Monthly in every home, so it may plant our principles in the hearts of 50,000 boys and girls, and be unfurled in every school room in the land?

Every Legioner who pays dues helps coal the engines, and if our L. T. L. fleet is to maintain maximum speed throughout its course and enter port with its mission accomplished, there must be 50,000 stokers—50,000 dues-paying L. T. L. members. Is your Legion keeping up steam? Have you paid dues? If not, you have retarded the progress of the whole fleet. Surely you will not compel the L. T. L. to take a backward course, just because you were tardy or shirked your financial obligation! Up steam, pay dues at once, so that our L. T. L. may not tarry, not be tardy and over due!

On July 21st we began the invasion of Japan for Temperance. The \$600 necessary to support an L. T. L. missionary in Japan was raised and the amount sent to our World's L. T. L. Superintendent as a gift in honor of her birthday, to the World's L. T. L.

Since our L. T. L. fleet can never steer its course wisely, we asked for 2,000 trained workers—2,000 L. T. L. graduates for 1908. Has your Legion responded to the call? It is not too late, if you do it now. We must "Labor all, Forward all" if we are to "Down King Alcohol." Our aim for 1908 will not be accomplished unless every state is represented on the L. T. L. Graduate Roster and in the National W. C. T. U. Treasurer's report through the payment of dues. Will you place your state on the winning side? Then Forward! We're here to win the victory.

Margaret Wentringer,
National L. T. L. Secretary.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

My Dear Co-Workers:

We are now nearing the close of the last quarter of the year, may I ask that you send in your reports so as to reach me not later than Sept. 15th, as my report must be in the hands of the State Secretary for printing Sept. 17th.

The State has furnished each State Superintendent with a beautiful pennant, bearing the name of her Department of work; this pennant is to be awarded to the Local Union sending in the best report. To the County Superintendent sending in best report I will give Mrs. Earle's hundred dollar prize story, "Aunt Ruth's Sunday." If you have not already received your report blank for the last quarter, you may know that I do not have your name on my list, and I would appreciate a request for the blank. For two years past we have won the national prize—we mean to do the same again this year. You can help by sending reports promptly.

Yours for Service,

Kathryn Wert Holler.

749 Howard Ave., South Bend.

MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

Dear Sisters:

This is the last opportunity I will have before Convention to appeal to you through the Message in behalf of our Department. Will you not respond? I have sent literature, plan of work and blanks to every Superintendent whose name and address I could get, and now won't you see that your reports get to me on time? Don't bring your reports to Convention, but send them to me.

Since we are to have our reports printed in advance sheets, it is absolutely necessary that they reach me on time, not one day later than the 20th of September. Send reports in figures.

The State has purchased a beautiful pennant, bearing the name of our Department, which will at the State Convention be given to the Superintendent who has held the most Mothers' Meetings and sends the best report.

Dear sisters, "let not your hands be weak, for your work shall be rewarded."

Yours in His name,

Hartford City.

Mrs. S. M. Stahl.

FIELD NEWS

Boswell W. C. T. U. is very much alive. We closed a membership contest July 18th, and a reception was held at Mrs. Ella Best's home July 21st. The victorious Reds furnished the program, which contained some of the most unique numbers ever presented to our Union. The defeated Blues served dainty and appetizing refreshments. Thirty-four new names were added to our roll.

Mrs. Luella C. Van Horn, Press Supt.

Mooresville—In the interest of the Evangelistic Department of our Local Union we gave a "Good Will" picnic on July 15th. It was an experiment, but succeeded so well we hope hereafter to make it an annual experience. Everybody was invited. A free dinner was served. Sermonettes, recitations, songs and sociability constituted our program. We felt greatly encouraged by the good feeling inspired.

Mrs. Lula Adams, Local Supt.

Sarah K. Mains, County Supt., Morgan Co.

Salem W. C. T. U. gave an ice cream supper July 11th for the benefit of the Hadley Home, which was a success. The weather was ideal and the attendance was large. The Union is few in number, but our influence is felt. We haven't a saloon in our town, Thank God, but we have done all we could to help others to raise remonstrances against licensed saloons, and they have succeeded in two instances. We forgot in our report of the Floyd County Institute to mention a very important paper read by our pastor's wife, Mrs. M. McKinney. "Faith" was the subject, and it was equal to one of her husband's able sermons. The good work is going on, and God speed the day when Indiana will be a dry state.

Mrs. R. L. Pritchett.

Bluffton W. C. T. U. having made a commendable gain in membership during the last two quarters, the President, Mrs. S. A. Goodin, planned a reception for the new members and their husbands, which was held in the M. E. church the evening of July 10th. The meeting was also a farewell to our much beloved sweet singer, Mrs. Welker, and her husband, Rev. Welker, who will soon go to their old-time state of Pennsylvania, where they have accepted a call to the pastorate of a church. Rev. and Mrs. Welker are gospel singers to whom it is an inspiration to listen and who have many times delighted Bluffton audiences with their beautiful songs. They have been very helpful to us in our special meetings, and especially in our Institute last spring, when they took full charge of the singing. We were indeed sorry to have them go from our midst. There was a good attendance at this reception, and the program was very much enjoyed by all. Mrs. Walmer and Mrs. Davidson were the reception committee; Rev. J. A. Barnes, pastor of the U. P. church, offered prayer; Mrs. D. T. Smith, a charter member, gave the welcome address; Miss Mary Kerwood and the grand-daughter of one of our members (a Miss whose name has escaped us) each delighted the audience with a piano solo, and Mrs. J. E. Reynolds gave a telling reading "The Comforter." Ice cream and cake were served.

Mrs. E. A. Willis.

The Madison County Convention will be held in Elwood at the Main Street Christian church on Friday, September 4th. We are planning for a great meeting, and expect to have Mrs. Mary Sibbitts, of Kansas, in our county for a week, if possible.

Mrs. Hattie Coxen.

Greensburg—We meet every alternate Tuesday at the home of some one of our members, and usually have from twenty to thirty members in attendance, and often a number of guests. We have had a number of parlor meetings this year, the best one being held at our Orphans' Home, the matron of which is one of our good members. There were eighty members and guests in attendance; a fine program was rendered, after which delicate refreshments were served. Now members are gained from time to time, and more enthusiasm shown in the cause of temperance than ever before. Through the efforts of the Civic League remonstrance cards were passed and an effort made to close the saloons here, but failed to accomplish anything as yet; however, many of our voters have not lost hope, those who are in favor of the remonstrance will soon take up the work again. On July 27th we had with us Miss Annie Robbins, National Lecturer on Social Purity. She gave us a splendid address on that subject, speaking of her experience in the Philippines and the appalling conditions found there. A large number of women attended this meeting at the pleasant home of Mrs. L. D. Crooks. Miss Robbins is a speaker of much ability and we shall be glad to welcome her again. We have one more meeting, I believe, before our annual election of officers and delegates to the State Convention.

Fraternally yours, Mrs. Lillie B. McKim.

Danville—We are glad to report an increase of interest manifested by a thrilled increase in membership the past year. We now have thirty-three members. Our meetings are times of interesting discussion of topics on the year's program. We are especially interested in our reading rooms, at Big Four Railroad station, recently rebuilt. We have and are expecting to keep them furnished with first-class, up-to-date literature. Any reader of the Message who may have a sur-

plus of clean, untorn magazines, papers or booklets on the living issues of the day, whose generosity would lead them to donate the same to our cause, would be thankfully welcomed. Flower Mission day was observed early in July. Twenty-five bouquets, with appropriate scripture text cards, were given to as many homes of the aged, shut-ins and sick people. At a recent meeting Mrs. Cotas, a crusader of the Hillsboro, Ohio, "crew," an enthusiastic member of our Union, proposed that all members, who could and would, earn by their efforts one dollar for the benefit of Hadley Industrial School, and at the next meeting bring it and tell how they earned the money. The report was amusing as well as interesting, and resulted in \$10 being laid on the table for the benefit of the school. A warm interest is taken in the prosperity of the Hadley school, and our Union stands for the best equipment in management, efficient instructors, and a high moral character of all employees in the home and on the farm.

Sincerely yours,

Sarah M. Hadley.

Colored Union Organized by Rev. C. W. McColl—August 12, 1908, at 3 p. m., about fifty colored ladies met in the colored Baptist church, Richmond, Ind., in response to a call to come and hear of the "White Ribbon" cause. Sixteen signed the pledge, adopted the constitution, elected officers and started out under the banner—"The Woman's Christian Temperance Union No. 2, of Richmond, Ind." Mrs. M. A. McCurdy, 225 S. Tenth street, Richmond, was elected President. She has worked many years in the W. C. T. U. The pastor of the church spoke of his having been a Prohibitionist for many years, and pledged assistance to the new organization. When he was proposed for honorary membership a life-long member of the Bethel A. M. E. church rose and asked to be allowed to be the first to put a dollar into the treasury, and said it should be recorded as the minister's honorary membership fee. At 8 o'clock a mixed audience assembled in Bethel church, where I was booked to speak on "America's Up-to-Date Slavery," and made the speaking easy by their manifest interest, the pastor taking the lead in showing his deep interest.

C. W. McColl.

The Prohibition party is the only political party in this country that favors suffrage for women.

The Union Signal of a recent issue has a front page picture of six college girls in cap and gown wearing silver medals. This class of girls was in Port Gibson Female College, Fort Gibson, Miss., and on the first night of commencement contested for a gold medal, the contest being part of the commencement program.

The Boy Magazine will keep you in touch with the anti-cigarette movement. While its immediate purpose is for the ultimate abolishment of the manufacture and sale of cigarettes for boys, its larger ambition is for the building of boys into healthy, energetic American citizens. Price, 50c per annum. In clubs of four or more 25c per annum. Send 5c for sample copy. Room 1119 Woman's Temple, Chicago.

The W. C. T. U. has a mighty host of valiant workers. Perhaps no individual worker is more needed in the average Union than a Press Reporter. Scores and dozens of women work and accomplish great things, but their candle is under a bushel, because there is no medium of publishing the tidings that the light can shine.

The Success of your County Convention will depend largely upon your county officers who make the program and the Press Reporter, who is the medium through which the people know of the program.

Local and County Superintendents make your reports in figures and send them off early.

Always Late! Have you not seen the Local Union officer who always is late at the meeting, late with her report and late about everything she does. Such an one falls short of her opportunity and if she is a real Christian woman when she realizes her fault—for such it surely is—she will seek and gain grace to be on time at every meeting and with every report. Really it is inexcusable for a President or Secretary to be late to a meeting unless detained by disaster or death.

Are the Boys and Girls interested in the W. C. T. U. Yes, just in accordance with the definite information concerning the great organization that has been given them by their mothers or fathers. To give this information intelligently several things are necessary—The National Annual Leaflet and The Union Signal. The cost of these is small. The National Annual Leaflet is sent out from Rest Cottage, National W. C. T. U. headquarters, Evanston, Ill., for 75c per hundred or 2 cents for one leaflet. The Union Signal is our national official organ, issued weekly. Price \$1.00 per year, from the above address.

For \$1.02 any W. C. T. U. mother can secure the material from which she can gain knowledge of the aims and methods of the W. C. T. U., and the latest general information concerning the work being done by the W. C. T. U. in all the country.

Election of Officers is of greatest importance. In no other one thing is greater moral courage needed than to always vote for a woman because of the dictation of judgment. In another generation women will be less sentimental and will vote their convictions.

At the October Meeting of the Union it would be well to consider the placing of Miss Willard's picture in a high school or college hall or the offering of a prize for the best junior or senior essay on the subject, "The Relation of Total Ab-

stinence to National Prosperity," or some other subject. By arranging to give a \$15 or \$25 prize the Union can accomplish much in making favorable sentiment toward our work. Offer the prize formally in writing, stating that it will be given the first week in May. School to select a judge, Union to select a judge and contestants to select a judge. The English teacher to have essays all in charge and give them unsigned to the judges in April. Secure the assembly hall and in May have these contestants read their essays before as big an audience as possible. Call it a high school or college contest. Advertise for weeks; get an army of boys and girls to sell tickets for admission; engage a band or other good music. When the evening comes be sure to have the high school principal, etc., sit on platform with W. C. T. U. President, who presides. After the reading of the essays, called by number, and the conclusion of the program, the money prize in gold should be presented to the winner by number, the absolute secrecy of the result of the judges' decision until that very minute being of greatest importance. October is the time to decide to offer the prize. Be sure that the door receipts will more than reimburse the treasury for the prize and expense, besides doing inestimable good.

Every citizen who stays at home on Sunday, forsaking the institution to live his individual life, hangs out a flag at his front door, inscribed, "The church is not worth while."—Dean Hodes.

BEDFORD, IND.,

State Convention W. C. T. U. Chairmen.

General Chairman.....Mrs. W. A. Brown
Entertainment.....Mrs. J. R. Mathes
Lunch and Hotels.....Mrs. R. E. Sproull
Sunday Services.....Mrs. Holcombs
Press.....Mrs. Dr. Hogan
Music.....Miss Bettie Sanders
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Decorations.....Mrs. Ben Wycoff
Courtesy.....Mrs. Dr. McDonald
Sergeant-at-Arms.....Mrs. Will Smith
Reception at Trains.....Mrs. J. A. Rowe
Bureau of Information.....Mrs. Della Morgan
Ushers and Pages.....Mrs. C. E. Carter

W. C. T. U. AT ZIONSVILLE.

August 18th was a great day for our cause. In the morning the Loyal Temperance Legion had a half-hour program which was not only unique and interesting but instructive. This was followed by an able, convincing address by Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger. For an hour the splendid audience listened with intense interest. Many people were stirred to renewed activity for the home and children.

In the afternoon Mr. Shumacher, Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, made a good address.

There was a gold medal contest in the evening, participated in by three young men and one young woman, Mrs. Bessie Hessong, the mother of three little children, who won the medal on the subject "What Is It To You?"

Judge Samuel J. Artman was a guest of the W. C. T. U. for the day and evinced great interest in the entire program. New Augusta Union was represented by fourteen members, who greatly enjoyed the day.

THE CRUSADER MONTHLY

Red Letter Day Subscription Offer.

In response to the call of Miss Margaret Wintinger, National L. T. L. Secretary, the Loyal Temperance Legions of the United States will engage in a Crusader Monthly subscription contest. This will begin July 21, Loyal Temperance Legion Day, and end on September 28, Children's Harvest Home Day. Each Legion taking part in this nation-wide contest is asked to report at once to The Crusader Monthly, Evanston, Illinois, that the name of the Legion may be given in the September Crusader. To assist in the contest and as a recognition of the birthdays of Frances E. Willard and of the World's Secretary of the L. T. L., Miss Anna A. Gordon, who is also the editor of the Crusader Monthly, we are authorized to announce a club rate of

Five Subscriptions for \$1.00.

The entire club must be sent at one time and any number more than five to be at the same rate. Renewals are received on the same terms as new subscriptions. This offer holds good until October 1, 1908. No individual premiums will be given on subscriptions sent at this club rate, but the subscriptions can count on both the State Library and S. T. I. premiums. Those who wish to work for individual premiums have the privilege of sending subscriptions at the regular price, 25 cents each per year, and claiming premiums.

If your Legion engages in the contest send name and address before August 15, that it may be listed in September Crusader Monthly.

Address the Crusader Monthly, Evanston, Ill.

IN MEMORIAM.

On July 25th, at the age of 61 years, Mrs. Mary Timberlake, one of Bremen's charter members passed to where there is no more sorrowing. We miss her, she was one who dared to stand for that which was right. She was a faithful christian and bore her pain very patiently. She died of cancer.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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ON TO BEDFORD.

Great preparations are being made by the people of Bedford to most hospitably entertain the Annual Convention of the State W. C. T. U.

The railroad fare will be two cents per mile; no reduction on round trip tickets.

Fare from Indianapolis to Bedford is \$2.28.

All Unions should send their full quota of delegates. When possible, their expenses should be paid by the Union. Delegates should go to the opening of the convention and remain until the adjournment.

County Presidents' expenses should be paid by the County. All County Presidents are expected to be present at the anti-executive meeting on October 8, at 2 p. m., and to remain until the adjournment of the post-executive meeting—if one is held.

APPEAL FOR STATE-WIDE PROHIBITION MADE BY OUR STATE PRESIDENT, MRS. CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

A stirring appeal for State-wide prohibition was made to the House Committee on Public Morals on Tuesday, September 22, by a delegation of W. C. T. U. workers, headed by Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, wife of the Rev. Monroe Vayhinger, president of Upland University. Mrs. Vayhinger is the State President of the W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Vayhinger declared the people of Indiana are ready for State-wide prohibition. "They are just as ready now," said she, "as they will be two years or five years or ten years hence."

"Women have an eternal hatred for the liquor traffic," the speaker continued. "I question whether any man can understand the hatred in the hearts of the women of Indiana for the liquor traffic. It is the women who suffer; it is the women who are thrust out into the laboring class because of it. We hate the liquor traffic from the bottom of our hearts. Though you may not give us State-wide prohibition at this session, no matter what law you enact, we will use it as a weapon against this curse, the liquor traffic. We represent a loyal constituency. We have been loyal to the laws that have been enacted in the past and we will be loyal to any law you may pass for the prohibition of the liquor traffic."

"I am confident that Indiana legislators are not going to allow Indiana to be the dumping ground for the saloons of other states."

Mrs. Vayhinger closed with a plea for a favorable report on the joint resolution providing for a constitutional amendment election for State-wide prohibition. She spoke for the State organization of the W. C. T. U., which she said embraces 7,000 members.

"I want to say to the representatives of the ballotless constituency," said Representative Burton Green of Miami County, Democrat, who is a member of the committee, "that some progress is being made with the matter of clothing you with the right of suffrage. At the last session I introduced a woman's suffrage bill and it was advanced as far as second reading."

Our State Superintendents of Departments and County Presidents who have "newspaper cuts" of themselves are requested to bring them to Bedford. Mrs. McWhirter will take charge of them and assist Mrs. Hogan, the Bedford Press Superintendent in advertising our convention through the local papers. Do not forget or neglect to bring your cuts and thus help that much.

Mrs. J. R. Mathes, 1506 W. Thirteenth street, Bedford, is the chairman of the Entertainment Committee for the State Convention.

DELEGATES TO BEDFORD.

Trains leave Indianapolis for Bedford as follows: Fare \$1.62.

7:10 a. m.—Penn. Lines via Seymour, B. & O., Riverdale; arrive Bedford 12:10 noon.

11:45—Big Four via Greencastle; arrive 4:00 p. m.

12:20—Vandalia via Limesdale (Greencastle Junction) arrive 4:00 p. m.

Felix T. McWhirter and B. F. Watson, of Indianapolis, were given a hearing before the Senate Committee on Public Morals having in charge the temperance bills and resolutions. Strong arguments were made for State-wide prohibition, urging that an option should not be granted by the State for liquor making and selling.



MRS. CULLA J. VAYHINGER
PRESIDENT INDIANA W. C. T. U.
1903-1908

HOW MY BOY WENT DOWN.

It was not on the field of battle,
It was not with a ship at sea,
But a fate far worse than either
That stole him away from me.
'Twas the death in the tempting winecup
That the reason and senses drown;
He drank the alluring poison,
And thus my boy went down.

Down from the heights of manhood
To the depths of disgrace and sin.
Down to a worthless being,
From the hope of what might have been.
For the brand of a beast besotted
He bartered his manhood's crown;
Through the gate of a sinful pleasure
My poor, weak boy went down.

'Tis only the same old story
That mothers so often tell,
With accent of infinite sadness,
Like the tones of a funeral bell;
But I never thought, once, when I heard it,
I should learn all its meaning myself,
I thought he'd be true to his mother,
I thought he'd be true to himself.

But alas! for my hopes, all delusion;
Alas for his youthful pride!
Alas! who are safe when danger
Is open on every side?
Oh, can nothing destroy this great evil?
No bar in its pathway be thrown,
To save from the terrible maelstrom
The thousands of boys going down.
—Christian Helper.

NATIONAL PROHIBITION COMING.

(From Hon. Charles R. Jones.)

During the past four years the amount of prohibition territory has been doubled and 20,000,000 people added to those living in prohibition cities, counties and states, making an aggregate of over 40,000,000 now by their own choice in saloon-free districts.

The figures below show that nearly two-thirds of the territory and nearly one-half of the people are under prohibition protection:

17,000,000 people in the South under prohibition in 1904.

25,000,000 people in the South under prohibition in 1908.

There are today 250 prohibition cities in the United States having a population of over 5,000

each, with a total population of nearly three million and a half.

In 1904 there were scarcely 100 prohibition cities of 5,000 or over; there are now 90 prohibition cities of 10,000 or over.

The Prohibition party is organized and at work in practically every state of the Union.

In 1904 the liquor trade, through its National Protective Bureau, announced it had circulated within twelve months over 4,000,000 specially prepared leaflets attacking the prohibition argument. Since that time, at a low estimate, 20,000,000 of these leaflets have been distributed broadcast and in the most carefully selected fashion.

In 1904 the National Liquor League of the United States was organized at Cincinnati, January 7th and 8th, to put the "lid" on the apparent beginning of a prohibition renaissance. Four years of the "National Liquor League of the United States" has resulted in 20,000,900 people being added to the prohibition population of the country; 150 new prohibition cities; 5 new prohibition states; hundreds of new prohibition counties and thousands of new prohibition towns and villages in all the rest of the country.

One of the most striking contrasts between 1904 and 1908 is seen in the transformation which has been wrought in the attitude of the daily and secular press towards the prohibition question. Since 1904 leading daily papers in all parts of the country have begun to exclude liquor advertisements from their columns.

The daily press of today is giving ten times more attention to the prohibition issue than in 1904.

(Associated Prohibition Press.)

We are told that there are other issues besides the saloon; so there are, and so there always will be. Must we, therefore, submit eternally to this curse to settle them while the saloon continues to unsettle us?

The Review of Reviews, for September, gives its readers a detailed and graphic glimpse of the National Prohibition party campaign, as seen by President Samuel Dickie of Albion, Michigan.

President Samuel Dickie of Albion, Michigan. Among the leading articles on the prohibition question in current publications during the past few weeks may be mentioned "Woman's Part in the Prohibition Movement," in the September Delinquent; "Liquor's Fight Against Prohibition," in the August Broadway Magazine; a bright and friendly sketch of Mr. Chafin on the "Who's Who" page of the Saturday Evening Post, August 22; specially fair write-ups of the Prohibition presidential candidate and agitation in the New York World, August 23; St. Louis Post-Dispatch, August 23, and Chicago Daily Journal, August 28.

The Concerted Attack upon Speaker Joseph G. Cannon of the National House of Representatives has just been launched by the Methodist church. Eighteen of the bishops have united in an appeal for the defeat of Mr. Cannon at the coming election. The Northwestern Christian Advocate will be the chief organ of this campaign. In a reply to the first broadside of this attack, Speaker Cannon, at Danville, September 10th, used up a number of his choicest adjectives, and among other things said: "These bishops go off half-cocked. Their talk on my attitude toward the rum question and about my czar-like power is nonsense. It is like their talk about Smoot."

LAW FOR STATE-WIDE PROHIBITION CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS AS FOLLOWS:

The W. C. T. U. of Marion County, in convention assembled, rejoices in the quickened public conscience, which recognizes the enormity of the curse and wrong of the liquor traffic. High license has been abandoned by its political friends and advocates and even liquor dealers are not urging this sin upon the people as a remedy. We hold that the liquor traffic is an unmitigated evil and that the only attitude of Christian citizenship is uncompromising hostility which concedes no quarter to this enemy of the home.

Local option implies under certain conditions the legal right of the traffic to exist, and, therefore, we cannot do less than urge the present legislature to enact state-wide prohibition, and we record our conviction that a moral wrong should have no option to continue.

County and Local Union banners will add greatly to the convention church decoration. Take yours with you to Bedford.

HURRAH! INDIANA NOW HAS COUNTY LOCAL OPTION. HURRAH!

THE MESSAGE



MISS CLARA M. SEARS
TREASURER, INDIANA W. C. T. U.
1904-1908

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MRS. LUELLA F. MCWHIRTER, Editor,
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OCTOBER, 1908.

Texas, in primary election, declared for the submission to the people of a constitutional amendment for state-wide prohibition.

National W. C. T. U. Convention Denver, Colorado, October 23-28.

State Convention of the Indiana W. C. T. U. at Bedford, October 9-13.

Delegates to Bedford should go in time for opening of Convention.

Delegates who serve their constituency will remain until Convention closes.

Department Superintendents who have carefully kept record books found it easy to report the work done.

County and Local Union banners will add greatly to the convention church decoration. Take yours with you to Bedford.

Our work has not been in vain. We have held high the standard. Wrong cannot be legalized without sin. We have continuously urged State-wide prohibition as the only logical, righteous and final settlement of the liquor question. Our plea has been heard. Results are rapidly rewarding years of untiring and unswerving energy. Victory is approaching. Let us stand by our reasonable and righteous demands.

Press Reporters, please do not send your reports for The Message to the business manager. She has enough of her own work to do without any extra.

All material intended for publication in The Message should be sent to the editor. If it is sent to the business manager she remails it to the editor; thus it takes her time and extra postage.

In sending in reports of meetings and names of officers, be careful to write the full names of the officers every time. Never just say, Mrs. Smith or Mrs. Brown. If you are giving the county officers' names the full name and address should be given every time.

The Press Reporter of every Union is asked to send a report to The Message of the best work done during the year by the Union.

The special session of the legislature may act favorably on constitutional prohibition. A bill has been introduced by a Democratic member. Senator Carl Wood of Jackson County, one of the Democratic leaders of the upper branch, says that if the State-wide prohibition resolution reaches the Senate he will vote for it. He said: "I am willing to put it up to the people of Indiana to say whether or not saloons shall be wiped out of existence in this state. I will not vote for county local option because I believe it is a proposition in the interest of the saloon keepers in the larger cities and against saloon keepers and the owners of saloon property in the smaller towns, but I will vote to let the people decide whether they want State-wide prohibition and I will gladly introduce any petitions or memorials urging such

action." While a good many petitions for State-wide prohibition are reaching the legislature, it is not likely that after "the Democratic bluff" has been "called" Mr. Pierson's resolution will receive any further attention, although there are influential members of both branches who favor both the passage of a county local option law and a resolution setting the machinery for a constitutional amendment in motion.—Indianapolis Star.

NATIONAL W. C. T. U. AT DENVER.

The National W. C. T. U. Convention will be held at Denver, October 23-28, 1908.

A White Ribbon special train will leave Chicago shortly after midnight on Tuesday morning, October 20th. Our Indiana people going will buy regular local tickets to Chicago. From Chicago we get the Homeseekers rate of \$32.15 round trip to Denver, Colorado Springs or Pueblo.

The Homeseekers' tickets are good for twenty-one days, making return limit November 10th, and allows diversified route returning. The route decided upon is the Northwestern Railroad west of Chicago to Omaha, and Union Pacific to Denver, Colorado and Pueblo.

The Pullman standard rate is \$6.00 per berth from Chicago. Two people can occupy a berth.

There will also be tourist sleepers on this train, the rate is \$3.00 per berth; two people can occupy a berth. For sleeper reservations money should accompany application.

For further information apply to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College avenue, Indianapolis.

BEDFORD HO!

The State Convention to be held at Bedford October 9-13, promises to be a notable event in the history of Indiana W. C. T. U. Our comrades who have so kindly invited us to partake of their hospitality have been planning and working all summer to make our stay with them both pleasant and profitable. Let us show our appreciation of their efforts by sending delegates from every Union in the State, who may carry back to their comrades something of the spirit and inspiration of the convention, that a new impetus may be given our work for the coming year.

Some of the Good Things.

The program for the convention promises a number of interesting events. On Friday night the welcomes will be given, and a debate on the question: "Resolved, That the elective franchise should be extended to women." Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley and Mrs. Ella Kroft will take the affirmative; Miss Mary Woodard and Mrs. Retta Jones the negative.

Saturday night a Diamond Medal Contest will be held under the management of Mrs. Julia Overman. The fact that Mrs. Overman has charge of this feature is a guarantee of its success.

On Sunday afternoon a mass meeting will be held in the convention church and an address given by Dr. E. L. Eaton, pastor of the Emanuel M. E. church of Evanston, Ill.

On Monday night the State banners will be presented, and a jubilee held by counties that have made a gain of fifty or over in membership. We are hoping for large delegations from these counties, and a grand, good time is expected.

Good music is being prepared for all these meetings, and many other interesting features that must be seen and heard to be appreciated. You are going, of course.

Delegates.

Every Union is entitled to send the President, one delegate-at-large and one delegate for every twenty paid up members. Lodging and breakfast will be furnished free. If the names of your delegates have not been sent to the Chairman of the Entertainment Committee, send them at once to Mrs. J. R. Mathes, Thirteenth street, Bedford, Ind., that they may be assigned their places of entertainment.

The "Program for Local Unions" will be ready for delivery at State Convention. If Unions will decide how many they want, the delegates may secure the supply.

Let every member of the W. C. T. U. pray that our convention may be a great uplift to our work in the State, and that strength and courage may be given to all of us to push the battle against king alcohol as never before.

Temperance Literature is a great factor in the education of public sentiment.

Miss Addie A. Austin, of Chicago, will be in charge of a literary table again this year at our State Convention.

Delegates will, no doubt, be glad of this opportunity to become familiar with the literature and buy such as will be helpful to them.

See Miss Austin as soon as you get to Bedford. Unions desiring to buy a picture of Miss Willard or Mrs. Stevens to present to a school or church, can send orders for same to Miss Austin by their delegates.

THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC AND FOREIGN MIS- SIONS.

The Permanent Committee on Temperance of the Presbyterian church publishes a leaflet by Mrs. H. O. Hilderbrand, in which she says:

"The united and unvarying testimony of the missionaries, both in our own church, and all the churches, at home and abroad, is that the greatest obstacle to the progress of missionary work today is the liquor exported from Christian lands. Every missionary force that goes abroad to evangelize the world finds itself flanked right and left by the



MISS MARY WOODARD
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY, INDIANA W. C. T. U.
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dreadful liquor curse. The makers and venders of rum are entering, for remorseless greed and gain, the very doors which our Foreign Missionary Boards have opened; and it is an infinite reproach to us who dwell in Christian lands that we permit the shipment of liquor to these fields; so that the chief evil with which our missionaries now have to contend is not the heathenism and barbarism of pagan lands, but the greater curse of strong drink. That this representation is not too strong, nay, not half strong enough, will be evident from the following extracts, which are but a tithe of what could be given:

STATE CONVENTION ITEMS.

At Bedford the Anti-Executive meeting, on October 8, at 2 p. m., is very important. Members of this committee include the Board of Trustees, Secretary of the W. C. T. U. Branch, Secretary of the L. T. L. Branch, Editor of the State paper, President and Secretary of the Board of Superintendents and the President of each County Union.

To Feel Well—Delegates should not over-exert themselves before leaving home. Act calmly, dress comfortably, eat moderately and drink water sparingly. Attend the convention if possible at night, but after retiring refrain from talking to room-mate until late. A walk in the morning and at noon will be helpful. Few people who lead an active life can sit all day long for several days in a convention and not feel the effects, unless they take walks and eat moderately.

Every Delegate owes it to her constituency to be present on Friday morning at the convention when it is called to order and to remain until the adjournment.

The length of the convention very largely depends upon how much time must be consumed in discussion of subjects by those who were either absent from their delegations or were inattentive to what was reported or to subjects presented.

Whispering in convention is seldom absolutely necessary. In so large a convention as ours it takes very little noise in each delegation to greatly hinder the progress of the day's work.

Tablets and Pencils are a necessity. Every delegate should be well supplied with these. Yes, and a pencil knife, too.

In the homes we always count on our delegates winning friends for our cause. Our White Ribbon women are sweet-spirited and winsome. Few other women can be as interesting guests in the average home for several days. Because our White Ribboners are informed upon and interested in the live topics of the day, and for the most part they live by the Golden Rule.

While at Bedford shall we try to secure new members for the Local Union? Would it be too much to ask each County delegation to get two new members and their dues. Membership pledge cards for this purpose can be secured of Miss Mary Woodard, State Corresponding Secretary at the Convention Church.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

INDIANA JOY BELLS.

September, 1908.

Dear Co-Workers:

The time has come to send in your last report for this year. Let us get all our dues collected by the 15th; remember undergraduates is 11 cents and graduates 26 cents; this to be sent to our State Treasurer, Mr. Harry S. Walsh, 1117 Lincoln avenue, Bedford, right away after September 15th. All Legions paying dues for every pledged member is enrolled on honor roll. Let as many Legions as possible have a delegate in State W.'s convention. See Mrs. Vayhinger's call in September Message, column 1, page 1, for conditions. Do your best for dues this quarter.

I enclose report blanks. Please fill out and return to me as soon as you can after September 15th. Now, do not hesitate if your report is not as large as it should be; all the little reports help to make a big one for the State, and your dele-

THE MESSAGE.



MRS. ELIZABETH STANLEY
VICE-PRESIDENT, IND. W. C. T. U. AND STATE LECTURER
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gate to the State Convention will want her Union, Local and County, represented in each report. Extra work done in your Legion, not included in the list of questions, please report on back of blank.

I am very sorry to report that Indiana lost 21 subscribers by our Crusader count for August 15th; this brings our list down to 888. Thirty-three subscriptions ran out and only 12 put on. I hope the special effort that is being put forth by a number of our Legions will quickly overcome this loss and our State will make a big gain by September 15th.

In making your donations this quarter, remember the State Treasury, the Anna A. Gordon Japan Fund, the Hadley Home. Every little helps. The Anna A. Gordon Fund on July 21 had \$514 of the \$600 the National Secretary had planned to raise by Denver Convention. Let Indiana Legioners send a part of this deficit.

All Legioners who are thinking of attending the National Convention at Denver, please send me your names as soon as you read this, so if you desire entertainment with the L. T. L. party arrangements can be made for you. "All L. T. L. leaders or workers, State, County or Local, all Senior Legioners and all who may attend the convention as delegates are eligible."—Margaret Wintringer, in circular letter of August, 1908.

"Contributions to the L. T. L. pledge for the National W. C. T. U. Emergency Fund should be sent through the State L. T. L. General Secretary to Miss Wintringer."

If you have special subjects you wish discussed in our L. T. L. conferences at State Convention at Bedford, please send them to me by the 20th of September.

Remember our department work; take up as many as you can in your Legion; keep account of all work done, so that when State Superintendents call for them you can answer promptly. Our State Superintendent writes: "It inspires me whenever I think of those little boys who were given to us at our State Convention. Are we going to work and rid Indiana of those vile dens which are set to entrap them as soon as their feet begin to tread the streets alone? They were given to us to care for; we are pledged to protect them. Are we going to do it? That means much to me, and I pray that we will do all in our power to destroy their greatest enemy."

Read the splendid report of our State Convention in Crusader Monthly, written by Miss Vandament this month. The picture we had taken will not appear, as it was broken so it could not be used when Miss Gordon received it. Let each State office and Superintendent send their picture to me so we can have cuts made to use in our work at various times. Send items to Mr. Bar, of Elwood, for Crusader Monthly.

Get as much done by the 15th of September in all lines of work for your report, then send to me at once after 15th.

Have you classes studying for diplomas? Urge as many as can to complete the course by October 1, and their diplomas will be presented at Bedford Convention. Mrs. C. J. Vayhinger is the only one who has sent in her paper as yet as completing the course, but I expect a number before convention. Order your diplomas so they can be made out before I start for the convention; also order Junior or Post-Graduate certificates. Be sure when sending in reports, that names of all who have won certificates or diplomas during the year are placed on back of your report, so they can be recorded correctly in W. C. T. U. annual report.

Remember to observe the "Children's Harvest Home Day" as planned by our World and National leaders, as sent you by The Crusader Monthly September 28th.

I would be glad to receive a letter from State Officers and Superintendents, County Officers and Superintendents, Local Officers and Superintendents, or any Legioner that has any for the good of our cause at any time. Yours for best report ever,
Ida M. Mix.

Dear Co-Workers:

I am for Chafin; against any dormant Legion fields of Indiana. Let's imitate our great Prohibition leader and deserve to win—to win Legions in every corner of Indiana to win voters and agitators through these, and deserve our part of the victory, when the Prohibition party wins four years hence. Now, with your co-operation I hope to organize any possible or non-possible Legion territory in our State. There are many vicinities half awake to organization; others that need more spur, and some where Legion work is really unknown. Had I more of worldly goods I would say not a word in preliminary, but my pedal extremities refuse to invade territory farther than two or three miles; the railroads are cruel in their inexorable refusals to issue passes, and I must ask you to furnish my means of locomotion to your town, and then I will do my part—help you establish new or strengthen old Legion ground. A place to lay my head (if I must needs stay over night) and the "daily bread" are my terms complete. We have stronger aids to our cause than ever before, but there are some "minute men" in the liquor forces. Ask the mother Union to help with these necessities or trust to a portion of collection if you have a church meeting. Can any one suggest a plan to raise \$50 or \$100 for organization funds, that we may canvass Indiana complete? I am at your service "on the firing line."

Marie B. Leck,

2415 Park avenue, Indianapolis.

P. S.—Lay the matter before your County President, or W. C. T. U. President. Let them consider it at the coming County Convention or in executive, if needs be. Won't you help me obtain ten new Legions before W. C. T. U. State Convention.

Marie B. Leck,

State L. T. L. Organizer.

We need an organizer in every County in our State during the coming year. Let us all help to save the boys and girls of Indiana by plans in our fall conventions to write for Miss Leck to come or send us a Legion worker. All she or our State Officers ask is expense and entertainment. Surely every County W. C. T. U. could do this much, or where there is no County organization a Local Union could do it. Dear sisters, try it and see if the results will not bring an increase to you in many ways, at small cost.

A beautiful pennant has been furnished our branch of the work by the State W. C. T. U. to be given to the Legion sending the best report of work done. Now let us be prompt with these reports and encourage our workers at home by carrying some of the banners or the pennant home with us from Bedford Convention.

Bring as many young people with you as possible to State Convention. They can get an inspiration from the conferences and the different sessions of the convention that will help them to see the needs of Legion and W. C. T. U. work that they will never get in home Legion or Union. Let us all make an extra effort for the saving of the boys and girls of Indiana during this next year.
State General Secretary.

Danville Union has taken on renewed activity.

YOUR AFTER-SELF.

In an address to young men, President Jordan, of Stanford University, said:

"Your first duty in life is toward your after-self. So live that your after-self—the man you ought to be—may in his time be possible and actual. Far away in the twenties, the thirties, of the twentieth century, he is awaiting his turn. His body, his brain, his soul, are in your hands. He cannot help himself. What will you leave for him? Will it be a brain unspoiled by lust or dissipation, a mind trained to think and act, a nervous system true as a dial in its response to the truth about you? Or will you turn over to him a brain distorted, a mind diseased, a spinal cord grown through with the devil grass of that vile harvest we call wild oats? Will you let him come, taking your place, gaining through your experiences, hallowed through your joys, building on them his own, or will you fling his hope away, decreeing, wanton-like, that the man you might have been shall never be?"

Mrs. Jennie Ridgeway, our grief-stricken sister, is pushing on the work of prohibition and the W. C. T. U. in Miami County. Although her husband, who was also comrade and co-laborer, has been called home to Heaven, she is not letting any of their plans for the cause fail.

FIELD NEWS

The Marion County W. C. T. U. met in annual convention September 16 and 17, in the Third Christian church. The convention was called to order by the County President, Mrs. Martha L. Gipe. The morning was spent in the usual routine business. The address of the President was full of strong, earnest pleas for State-wide prohibition. Mrs. Gipe feels that this step of progress is as easily taken now as it will be after county local option is tried. After faithfully serving the county as President eight years of the best part of her life, Mrs. Gipe desired to be relieved from active work for a time. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Mary Kinser, Brightwood; Vice-President, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Nettie Cohea; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Nina Bingham;



MRS. ROSE PEARCE
RECORDING SECRETARY, INDIANA W. C. T. U.
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Treasurer, Mrs. Lizzie Heath, all of Indianapolis. Miss Jeannette Gipe was chosen L. T. L. Secretary. At the evening session a Gold Medal contest was held, under the direction of Mrs. Mary Clark Brown, County Superintendent of Contest Work. Miss Nell Jackson of 1560 E. Market street, won the gold medal. The other contestants were Roy Jay, Wilmer Ingling, Helen Overman and Bessie Fullen. Thursday morning a memorial service was held. Mrs. S. D. Farrabee paid tribute to the memory of Mrs. Harriet Brand and Mrs. Mary E. Sims spoke touchingly of Mrs. Drucilla Wilson, who laid down the work the 9th of June at the age of 93. Miss Eloise Palmer sang "Lead Kindly Light." Mrs. Cora Patton read the list of names of the deceased members. The reports of the Superintendents of Departments showed progress along all lines. The Superintendents felt that much work had been done which was not reported. The following resolutions were passed: "The W. C. T. U. of Marion County, in convention assembled, rejoices in the quickened public conscience, which recognizes the enormity of the curse and wrong of the liquor traffic.

"Whereas, we hold that the liquor traffic is an unmitigated evil and that the only attitude of Christian citizenship is uncompromizing hostility, which concedes no quarter to this enemy of the home, and

Whereas, Local option implies the legal right of the traffic to exist, therefore,

Resolved, We can not do less than urge the present legislature to enact state-wide prohibition.

Whereas, The pure food and other laws on health and sanitary conditions do not fully protect us against the sources and spread of contagious diseases, be it

Resolved, That the County W. C. T. U. request the County Medical Association to provide a course of lectures in the public schools giving simple and practical instructions for guarding against the inception and spread of all infectious diseases."

A vote of thanks was tendered the church board for the use of the church. Owing to illness the Rev. Harry T. Hill was unable to take his part on the program. Mrs. Gipe made the closing prayer of this 22d annual convention of Marion County W. C. T. U. workers.

Ella D. Oakes, Press Supt.

The Decatur County W. C. T. U. met in county convention at Greensburg September 10th. Fourteen members of the Sardinia W. C. T. U. were present and two from the Union at Westport. The following officers were elected: Mary Gray, President; Mrs. Nettie Parker, Vice-President; Mrs. Ella B. Wright, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Cora McDowell, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Laura Kirby, Treasurer. We had with us our dear Mrs. Stanley, and we all enjoyed her very much—her presence is an inspiration. The Greensburg Union entertained the visiting White Ribboners royally. The night meeting was well attended, and Mrs. Stanley spoke in her usual pleasing manner.

Cora McDowell, County Cor. Sec.

Billboard Crusade On—Washington Authorities Would End "Blood and Thunder" Posters—Washington, September 17.—A new crusade against billboards and posters is to be undertaken by the police of Washington. For several years the police have maintained a censorship which has resulted in the suppression of many of the objectionable features common to this sort of advertising, but it has been found impossible to regulate it as completely as desired. Therefore, the superintendent of police will ask a law under which he may regulate the sensational, misleading and exciting object lessons portraying the performance of some "blood and thunder" show that deface billboards and add no substantial patronage to the houses that employ them. He also contends that portraits should not be included in the category with burglaries, killings, train wrecks and the attempted portrayal of sensational and emotional beauty shows. In addition to these moral questions involved, the authorities at the national capital are considering the desirability of billboards from the aesthetic standpoint and some radical reform may result. (The billboard agitation will bring good results only. A national law restricting this nuisance certainly is needed.—Editor.)

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Sardinia W. C. T. U. was organized April 14, 1908, with 10 members. We now (September 22d) have 22 paid up members and several others are coming in. In the few months since our organization we have cleared \$18.00 at a supper and have given \$5.00 in charity. Have had 10 regular meetings and two called meetings. Our delegate to the State Convention is Mrs. Lillian Graham Deniston. We will be glad to have this report printed in The Message.

Yours lovingly,

Cora McDowell, Cor. Sec. Local Union.

Arba, Ind., Sept. 14, 1908.—Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, Sister in Christ.—Mrs. Elizabeth P. Stanley, of Liberty, Ind., gave an address at our place and organized a Union with twenty active and six honorary members. The departments of work taken up by the Union are: Medal Contest, Health and Heredity and Social Purity, Sunday School. Have had one public meeting addressed by Mrs. S. N. Stahl, of Hartford City. Our Union is small but the members are active and earnest in the temperance cause. Mrs. Ella Hartley and Miss Mary Woodard, of Fountain City, were with us at our May meeting and gave us words of encouragement in regard to our line of work, which I pray God may prosper all over our land.

Alice Haisley, Fountain City, R. R.

Winona Lake, Ind.—A number of women interested in W. C. T. U. work and desiring to promote its growth and see its principles prevail at this most conspicuous place, met under the trees in front of the auditorium for the purpose of organizing an Assembly Union composed of our women that came from different states, with a view of a permanent organization at Winona. A committee was appointed composed of Mrs. A. D. Fitch, of Troy, O. President; Miss T. Alice Pinkerman, of Delaware, O., Vice-President, and Mrs. A. R. Shedd, of Argos, Ind., Secretary and Treasurer, to present a petition signed by thirty-three charter members to the officers of the Winona Assembly against the sale of tobacco, coca cola and all soft drinks on the Winona Assembly grounds. Charter Members—Mrs. Margaret Brownlee, Cargo, Mich.; Mrs. Sophina Simon, Goshen, Ind.; Mrs. Wild Cosby, Goshen, Ind.; Mrs. Alonzo Powell, The Ballard, Indianapolis, Ind.; Miss Frances Todd, South Whitley, Ind.; Miss Jennie Willson, South Whitley, Ind.; Mrs. Mary A. Tulley, Goshen, Ind.; Mrs. G. W. Lewis, Lodi, Ohio; Mrs. E. F. Davis, Mobile, Ala.; Mrs. Helen E. Stebbins, W. Chicago, Ill.; Miss Rosa E. Hainlen, Marion, Ind.; Mrs. Emma E. Hainlen, Marion, Ind.; Mrs. R. C. Finney, Plain City, O.; Mrs. Elenor J. Brumbaugh, Huntington, Pa.; Mrs. J. O. Ward, Peru, Ind.; Mrs. Frank A. Barker, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. D. M. Bowser, Goshen, Ind.; Miss Dorothy Luther, Fairmount, Ind.; Mrs. G. H. Van Dyke, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. L. M. Bradley, Carbondale, Ill.; Mrs. S. E. Howe, Logansport, Ind.; Mrs. Emma Kirarofe, Olney, Ill.; Mrs. L. M. Creed, South Bend, Ind.; Mrs. Naomi H. Everett, Toronto, Kan.; Mrs. G. H. Jennings, Oxford, Ind.; Mrs. F. M. Patton, Fairbury, Ill.; Mrs. George W. Hartzell, Dayton, O.; Mrs. Nettie D. Ware, Fairmount, Ind.; Mrs. Ruth H. Ratliff, Fairmount, Ind.; Mrs. Dora E. Whitley, Fairmount, Ind.

Mrs. Nettie D. Ware, Reporter.

Mrs. Stanley's Note Book—Dear Sisters: Since my last, I have attended County Conventions at Auburn, had a mass meeting at St. Joe, addressed Teachers' County Institute at Ft. Wayne, and conventions of Union, Decatur and Jefferson Counties. I now go to Bellefontaine, O., for four days, attend Grant County and Whitley County Conventions, and hope to meet you at Bedford with the best reports we have ever had. Write every State Superintendent of a department, and tell her what you have done in her department, and the surprise will rejoice our hearts. Yours for victory in 1909.

Elizabeth T. Stanley.

Dearborn County W. C. T. U. gave a reception for the teachers of the County Thursday evening of Institute week in the German M. E. church in Lawrenceburg. Quite a number of teachers responded who seemed to be interested in the Scientific Temperance program given. The church was beautifully decorated with cut flowers, mottoes, posters, etc. After the program, delicious refreshments were served by the Local Union. Several subscriptions for the Crusader Monthly were taken, and one teacher said very earnestly that she would hereafter pay more attention to this subject than she had ever done before. Those present seemed pleased, and we believe interest was aroused that will bear fruit.

Mrs. A. E. Rynerson, Co. Pres.

Bloomington—The business meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held at the home Wednesday of Mrs. Burgeon with a large attendance. Officers were elected for the year: President, Mrs. Henry Russell; Vice-President, Mrs. J. B. Ridge; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Henry Dodds; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. T. B. Boyle; Treasurer, Mrs. Lelia Curry; Superintendents of Department Work: Jail Work, Mrs. Alice Marlin; Literature, Mrs. Jennie Bright; Scientific Temperance, Mrs. L. M. Beck; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. T. B. Boyle; Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Wm. Telfer; Medal Contest, Mrs. R. C. Weinland; Mothers' Meeting, Mrs. O. N. Siebenthal; Press, Mrs. Ida von Behren; Flower Mission, Mrs. Campbell, with the assistance of Superintendent east, Mrs. Lon Rogers southwest, Mrs. Ott Fowler; northeast, Mrs. A. W. Pryor; northwest, Mrs. Nora Cathcart.

The Willis Union of Mt. Zion held its election of officers the 8th inst. and made an "all around" change, shaking well the sack and trusting that the best may have come to the top. The reports of various Officers and Superintendents were

read, and the one of the Treasurer was especially pleasing for a Union so few in number (16 active and 8 honorary members). She reported total receipts since January 7, 1908 (date of organization) of \$83.85; with total disbursements of \$60.19; leaving a balance cash on hand of \$23.66. May the good work go on. Delegates were selected to represent our Union at Bedford. Next meeting September 23.

Mrs. M. E. Miller,

Cor. Sec. and Press Supt.

The Montpelier W. C. T. U. held the annual meeting at the Methodist church and elected officers as follows: President, Mrs. Klarella Weston; Vice-President, Mrs. A. H. Smith; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Chas. S. Miller; Recording Secretary, Mrs. John Iskenburg; Treasurer, Mrs. Gertie Morrical; Superintendents for the various departments were: Press, Mrs. Charles S. Miller; Medal Contest, Mrs. Samuel Wearley; Sabbath School, Miss L. L. West; Mothers' Meeting, Mrs. G. R. Davids; Flower Mission; Mrs. Mary Garrett; Social Purity, Mrs. Neatherhead; Literature, Mrs. Mat Lemmons; Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Shannon; Mercy, Mrs. W. C. Patterson. The meeting was largely attended and was enthusiastic in arguments for drilling a well to be located on the public square of the city. The ladies have been working hard for this enterprise, which will be a great help to the surrounding country and city. As there are a number who say they can't get a good drink unless they go to the saloon to get it, so we mean to have a good water well on the public square to furnish good, pure drinking water to all. The contractor commenced drilling September 11th and was to have the work completed in a week or ten days.

Mrs. Charles S. Miller.

Bluffton—We had our beloved State Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings to help us observe "Mother's Day." In the afternoon she gave a very interesting talk to a goodly number of ladies in a parlor meeting at the home of our efficient Local President, Mrs. S. A. Goodin. After the meeting the lovers of melon were treated to a very generous helping of watermelon. In the evening Mrs. Stahl gave a splendid address in Epworth Chapel. We very much regretted we did not have crowded houses to hear this gifted woman on this very important subject. It is not necessary to take time nor space to speak of these talks in detail to you who are so well acquainted with her ability as a W. C. T. U. speaker. God multiply the numbers of consecrated Christian workers in the W. C. T. U. work.

Mrs. A. E. Willis, Press Reporter.

Benton County—The Annual Convention was held at Oxford, Ind., August 19 and 20. The County has four Unions—Oxford, Boswell, Earl Park and Otterbin. All Unions were well represented with good reports. Benton is going to the State Convention with 175 members. The three months old Union at Earl Park is going to Bedford with 50 members and four delegates. The newly elected officers are: County President, Mrs. Amanda Smith; Vice-President, Mrs. Minnie Barr; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Nellie Stevenson; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Lillie Petree; Treasurer, Mrs. Estella Smith.

Mrs. Mae Cooper, Earl Park Ind., Press Reporter.

Seymour Union held annual meeting with Mrs. Frank Teckemeyer. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. W. F. Pfaffenberger; Vice-President, Mrs. R. R. Short; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. E. McKinney; Recording Secretary, Mrs. F. Teckemeyer; Treasurer, Mrs. Wylie; Superintendents: Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. F. W. Hadley; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. M. F. Gerrish; Oratorical Contest, Mrs. J. W. Cole; Evangelistic, Mrs. Sawyer; Scientific Temperance, Miss Dora Deppert; Flower Mission, Mrs. G. H. Anderson; Press, Mrs. L. C. Van Horn.

Normal City Union W. C. T. U. of Muncie was entertained on September 5th by Mrs. Della Chambers. The annual election of officers was held with the following result: President, Mrs. Ella Bond; Vice-President, Mrs. Ella Briddy; Secretary, Mrs. Della Chambers; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary Ebrite. Superintendents appointed: Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Mary Covalt; Press, Mrs. Gay Calvert; Oratorical Contest; Mrs. Edith Nuzum; Flower Mission, Mrs. Dr. Morrow; Evangelistic, Mrs. Ella Priddy; Sunday School, Mrs. Lucie Mendenhall; Parliamentary Law, Mrs. Dawson; Medical Temperance, Mrs. Birta; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Wallace. A social hour was enjoyed after refreshments were served by the hostess the company was photographed on the lawn by Mr. Burky.

Mrs. Gay Calvert.

Laporte Union held its annual meeting September 11th. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Anna Brown; Vice-President, Mrs. Oscar Parkell; Corresponding and Recording Secretary, Mrs. Seth Pease; Treasurer, Mrs. Eva Kregle; Vice-President from the Baptist church, Mrs. Mary Baumgardner; from the M. E. church, Mrs. J. N. Harmon. This was a cheerful meeting; all seemed enthused and anxious to begin another year with the expectations of doing much good.

Mrs. Seth Pease, Cor. Sec.

Wayne County W. C. T. U. maintained headquarters at the Richmond Chautauqua. A tent was secured in a conspicuous part of the ground, and a large banner placed on it announcing "W. C. T. U. Headquarters," and extending a welcome to all. Six thousand pages of literature was distributed. Mrs. Alice Hunt was in charge of the tent and was assisted by other W. C. T. U. workers.

The Hamilton County Convention convened at the Friends church, Westfield, September 15th.

The church was beautifully decorated; a goodly number of visiting delegates present. The Treasurer's report showed 244 members in the County. An excellent paper, "Is It Right to Legalize a Wrong?" was read by Ida Pruitt of Eagletown. The following named persons were elected as officers for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Dolie Stalker, Westfield; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Mary Wilson, Sheridan; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Etta Pierce, Hortonville; Treasurer, Mrs. Ella Briles, Westfield. Superintendents of the departments appointed: Jail and Prison, Mrs. Maud Thurston, Atlanta; Literature, Mrs. Mary Evans, Sheridan; Press, Mrs. Mary Kemp, Carmel; Evangelistic, Mrs. Florence Rayl, Westfield, R. R.; Mercy, Mrs. Lucile Tutt, Noblesville; Flower Mission, Mrs. Mary Tracy, Eagletown; Narcotics, Mrs. Mary Gause, Westfield; Sabbath School, Mrs. Newlin Stuart, Westfield, R. R. 28; Sabbath Observance, Julia Pruitt, Noblesville; Hadley School, Margaret Cox, Westfield; Health and Heredity, Mrs. Ella Briles, Westfield; Parliamentary, Carrie Northam, Sheridan; L. T. L., Eva Johnson, Sheridan; Scientific Temperance, Myrtle Barnes, Sheridan, R. R. 25; Mothers' Meetings, Mattie Cox, Sheridan, R. R. 24; Christian Citizenship, Drusilla Williams, Westfield; Medal Contest, Melissa Emery, Westfield. Mrs. McKee, of Lebanon, was the speaker for the afternoon. A Matron's Silver Medal Contest was held in the evening; also a Gold Medal Contest by the children. Mrs. Lizzie Gurley, of Westfield, won first place in the Matron's contest and Ulie Horney, of Hortonville, won the Gold Medal.

Miss Elva Chance.

Ray—A pleasant social event was a reception given the new members of the W. C. T. U. at the home of Wendell McNaughton and wife in Ray Saturday afternoon, August 15th. The result of the membership contest was nine for the Red side and fourteen for the Blue. The Reds furnished the supper and the Blues the program. The Reds carried out their color scheme to the letter, the house being artistically decorated with white bunting and red butterflies, made of crepe paper, and red and white flowers. All the members on the Red side wore red butterflies in their hair and the serving committee wore red aprons. The President of the Union, Mrs. Mary McTaggart, was the captain on this side, wore a red necktie and at intervals was completely decorated with red butterflies. Supper was served in two courses—first two kinds of sandwiches tied with red ribbon, beet salad, stuffed olives and coffee; second, white cake with red icing, cookies with red filling and strawberry sherbet. The program, in charge of Mrs. Elnora McNaughton, the captain on the Blue side, was heartily enjoyed by all. The first number was a piano solo by Miss Ruth McNaughton. A welcome to the new members by Mrs. Theo. McNaughton. Response by Miss Rena Paul. Vocal solo, Ruth McNaughton; address, "Co-operation," by Mrs. Sophina McLouth; piano duet, Mrs. Elnora McNaughton and Miss Ruth McNaughton; recitation, "Convict Joe," by Mrs. Lillian Van Allen, of Jackson, Mich.; closing song, "Blest be the Tie That Binds." During the supper hour music by Miss Ruth McNaughton and a toast by Mrs. Lida Duquid were pleasing features. A guessing game was introduced in which Mrs. Geghan, of Toledo, gave the society one dollar, and a motion was carried to accept her as a member of the society.

Whiteland W. C. T. U. gave a picnic in Powell's grove August 25th. An interesting program was rendered. The forenoon was given to songs and recitations by the children. In the afternoon there was a parade by children with banners and floats, headed by Greenwood Juvenile Military band. A male quartet of home talent rendered several impressive songs. We had the honor of having with us our State President, Mrs. Vayhinger, who delivered a stirring address. Several new members were added to the Union. Our Union is very much alive, and we are planning great things for next year.

Mrs. Belle Yaste, Local President.

Delaware County, in convention assembled at Muncie, passed a resolution asking Governor Hanly to push for passage a bill before the present legislature calling for the state-wide prohibition of the liquor traffic. The State and not the county, township or ward is the natural unit, the women declare. In the legislature, Representative Pierson, Democrat, introduced a bill for state-wide prohibition after December 31; also a resolution toward making prohibition a part of the constitution.

IN MEMORIAM.

ALEXANDRIA, IND.—Henrietta Marley, wife of Joseph Marley, after an illness of 4 years patiently borne, was promoted from this earth to dwell in the Holy City of God. Henrietta from this earth to dwell in the Holy City of God. On the 16th of March 1876 she was married to Joseph Marley. To this union was born three sons, in the year 1892 the oldest and youngest sons preceded their mother to the better land. In her early life she was converted in the M. E. Church. In 1894 she was baptized and joined the First Baptist Church. In public her words of testimony were few, but her christain actions and kind deeds spoke louder than words. She has been a faithful member of the W. C. T. U. ever since its organization acting as local Treas. for many years. The W. C. T. U. has lost a willing worker, the Church a loyal member, the Neighbor a true friend.

Mrs. Marley was a woman of many virtues, and she will be greatly missed. At first it was a struggle for her to give up the pleasures of home and loved ones, but the last four weeks she longed and prayed for the change to come soon, and if God willed, she would like the date of her birth to be the date of her departure. She lived but one day after, making her 48 years and 1 day old. Thus resigned she sweetly fell asleep in Jesus Aug. 18th, 1908.

MUNCIE, IND.—Mrs. Fred Lachaw, aged 24, a beloved member of Normal City Union, Muncie, Ind., passed away. She was a faithful worker and was loved by all who knew her.

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CONVENTION REPORT.

BEDFORD.

The Thirty-fifth Annual Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana was held in the First Christian Church, at Bedford, October 9 to 13.

The church is beautiful in architectural design built of Bedford stone. The interior is commodious, and well adapted for the accommodation of a convention.

The decorations were of unusual interest and significance. Upon the auditorium walls were hung Department, County and Local Union banners, made of satin or velvet, in various colors; many lettered in gold and having a finish of gold fringe. Besides these elegant banners, there were pennants for all the departments; the pennants were of regulation size of college pennants and made of felt in bright colors. American flags were, also, artistically used.

The platform was decorated with large potted palms.

All around the chancel were placards of Unions, no two alike, but each one announced victory; perhaps it was a large gain in membership or a certain number of saloons closed, or so many townships dry.

The weather was fine, the attendance very large, and unusual interest and enthusiasm prevailed throughout the entire convention.

There were about four hundred and fifty voting and visiting delegates; three hundred and seventy-four voting delegates.

In response to roll call of County Presidents at the opening of the convention, each President reported greatest work accomplished in her county during the year. Intense interest was manifested as those from the hard temperance battle fields reported victories won.

President Vayhinger's address was eloquent and inspiring; during its delivery she was many times interrupted by applause. There was prolonged applause at the announcement of 1,522 gain in membership this year. This is the net gain in paid membership, total membership now being 7,123.

The Corresponding Secretary, Miss Woodard, gave a very comprehensive report of the work done, showing that there had been increased activity in the Unions everywhere.

The Treasurer, Miss Sears, reported the greatest amount of money ever received by our state for any one year. Her report was of interest to every member of the convention, for it showed the status of all Local Unions.

Mrs. Ida Mix's, State L. T. L. Secretary, report showed much advancement made in temperance work among the boys and girls of our state.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, our State Lecturer, reported having given one-third of her time to the field. In her own impressive way she told of some of the victories and defeats for our cause.

The Department reports were most encouraging. Never in the history of our work has such great interest prevailed.

The State Organizers did not bring in reports of many new Unions organized, but of a building up of old Unions.

The evening meetings were largely attended, the seating capacity of the church being inadequate.

Friday evening the convention was welcomed on behalf of the W. C. T. U. by Mrs. W. A. Brown, President of Bedford Union, and on behalf of the city by Mayor John Stipp. Greeting from the churches, Rev. Wilson Whitney. Response to welcome, Mrs. Rose Pearce.

Then followed a debate on the subject: "Resolved, That the Elective Franchise Should be Extended to Women."

Affirmative—Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Mrs. Ella Kroft.

Negative—Miss Mary Woodard, Mrs. Retta Jones.

Seldom has an audience been more enthusiastic in its admiration and praise of speakers. The debate was a great success.

On Saturday evening a Diamond Medal Contest was held by Mrs. Julia Overman, State Superintendent.

The contestants were: H. H. Hocker, Westfield, "Wanted, Christian Patriots;" Miss Beulah Conn, Danville, "The Parting of the Ways;" Mrs. W. G. Batt, Bedford, "A Consecrated Citizenship;" Miss Grace Clarkson, Columbus, "Patriotism;" Wilbur Brewer, Whiteland, "The Sign of the Dollar;" Miss Grace Maddox, Montpelier, "Swore Off;" Miss Ruth Miller, Liberty, "The Street of Death." The church was crowded to its capacity and the lecture room was filled. Admission, twenty-five cents. The judges were Miss Clara Sears, Anderson; Mrs. Lida Outland, Upland, and

Mr. Felix T. McWhirter, Indianapolis. The medal was awarded to Mrs. Batt, of Bedford.

On Sunday, in most of the churches, the W. C. T. U. women spoke, both morning and evening; everywhere they were greeted by large audiences and given most respectful hearing.

A great mass meeting was held on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock, addressed by Dr. E. L. Eaton, pastor of Emanuel Methodist church, of Evanston, Ill.

At the close of Dr. Eaton's remarkable address, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley made an appeal for funds with which to carry on a campaign for state-wide prohibition for Indiana. She asked if there was some one in the audience who would give one hundred dollars. Mr. John A. Rowe, of Bedford, responded by saying that he would give one hundred dollars for his wife, who is the President of Lawrence County. That was the only one hundred dollars subscribed, fifty dollars being the next highest, but in a very short time there was given in cash and pledges \$2,054.58. Words fail to describe the scene following Mrs. Stanley's appeal. Amid laughter and tears, pledges were made so rapidly that it was almost impossible for Miss Clara Sears and Miss Laura Cammack to get the names and addresses. All this indicates the loyalty, earnestness, faith and determination of the women to work on until the liquor traffic is outlawed and prohibition becomes a part of our constitution.

Monday evening was "jubilee" by counties making a gain in membership of fifty or more. The entire delegations marched upon the platform, gave their "rally" or sang a song after the County President told of the best things done in her county. There was a great crowd and excellent music.

The business of the convention was conducted rapidly so that it was not necessary to hold a forenoon meeting on Tuesday, 13th, but with the business all finished the convention adjourned on Monday night.

This year greater rapidity was made possible because of the intelligent interest and enthusiasm of the delegates concerning the needs of the work. In discussions there was little time wasted by unnecessary questions and talk that was foreign to the matter in hand.

The delegates, for the most part, came for the opening and remained until adjournment. All were pleased with the early closing of the convention. Everything possible was done by the Bedford people to help make the convention a success. Their cordial hospitality and their unselfish kindness made the delegates feel very much at home.

CONVENTION NOTES.

The Department Superintendents reported much work done; the increased interest seemed to be general all over the state.

Dearborn County won the Institute banner.

Scientific Temperance pennant went to Madison Union.

Medical Temperance pennant was won by Marion County.

Physical Culture pennant awarded to Floyd County.

Parliamentary Law pennant won by Howard County.

Hamilton County won the Press pennant.

Soldiers' and Sailors' pennant went to Floyd County.

National Sabbath Observance prize was won by our Mrs. Kathryn Wert-Holler, State and Assistant National Superintendent of the department.

State prize for Sabbath Observance department, "Afterward Sunday," won by Superintendents of Elkhart and Blackford Counties. The pennant for the department went to Floyd County.

Jail and Prison pennant won by Floyd County. Indianapolis Central Union won the Temperance Literature pennant.

Little Howard Tansy, age two years, of Clinton County, presented to the convention and had white ribbon tied on.

Mrs. Edna Smith served as Assistant Secretary of the convention.

Mrs. Ritter, of Hartford City, served as Time Keeper.

Blackford County had the largest per cent. of gain in membership.

Fort Wayne had the largest per cent. of local gain.

Mrs. C. S. Braxton, of Phoenix, Arizona, former loved President of Bedford Union and Lawrence County, was present, and brought greetings from Arizona W. C. T. U.

The Bedford ministers were cordially interested in the convention.

Rev. Melvin Putnam, pastor of the convention church, was present much of the time.

Rev. J. F. O'Haver, of the M. E. church, was in

attendance, as was, also, Rev. Wilson Whitney, of the Baptist church.

Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson was greatly missed from the convention, it being the first time she had not been present at an Indiana convention since her election as Recording Secretary at Richmond in 1893. She served in that capacity until 1907, continuously serving also as State Lecturer and Organizer.

The Executive Committee meetings and the conferences were held in the splendid new Methodist church, in the same square.

The announcement by wire of the death of Prof. J. F. Kinsey, of Ft. Wayne, was received with great regret. He was always our loyal supporter and friend. Mrs. Kinsey served our cause in various capacities, being President of Allen County as long as Prof. Kinsey's health would permit.

Mrs. Elizabeth Haughton was detained at home on account of the illness of her husband.

Mrs. Rogers, age 91 years, was present as a delegate; was introduced, and spoke of her love and loyalty.

Rev. Jas. R. Jones, of Paoli, was present as a fraternal delegate from Western Yearly Meeting.

Mr. Raeburn, age 82 years, was present and spoke for prohibition.

Mrs. G. T. Breunig was appointed to secure subscriptions to the Union Signal.

Miss Marie Leck and Miss Harriet Stockton, of Kokomo, took subscriptions for the Crusader Monthly.

Mr. C. D. Boyd, representative of the Missouri Pacific R. R., brought greetings from the Indianapolis North Park Christian Sunday School of which he is Superintendent.

Mr. F. T. McWhirter, of Indianapolis, was introduced and spoke of the great need of concerted effort for state-wide prohibition.

Rev. H. H. Hocker, of Westfield, was presented to the convention and spoke briefly.

Mrs. Kroft's quiz was interesting. One question and answer was: What uses tobacco? Answer: The Rocky Mountain goat, the big green tobacco worm and man.

The drills given by Mrs. Emma Thomas, State Superintendent of Physical Culture, were fine. Several more would have been appreciated.

Frances Willard Carter, seven months old, was presented. The President tied the white ribbon on her right arm and said: "I believe by the time she has reached womanhood she will have the right use of this arm to cast a ballot for her own protection."

Mrs. Lena Beck, of Bloomington, former State President, was present and served as chairman of the telegram committee.

The Crusade Glory song was sung; led by Mrs. Gertrude Fulton.

The recent untimely death of Mr. James Mix, eldest son of Mrs. Ida Mix, caused a sadness over the L. T. L. workers and others of the convention.

Mrs. Lizzie Hahn, Superintendent of Hadley School, made report; also, Mrs. Outland, Superintendent of the farm. Both reports indicated good conditions. Mrs. Hahn reported that there were eleven girls in the school.

The Memorial Service was conducted by Mrs. S. M. Stahl. In closing Mrs. Stanley recited the poem, "They Are Not Dead, But Just Away."

Mrs. M. A. McCurdy, of Richmond, a very intelligent, well-educated colored woman, was introduced and pleaded for her people saying that the women of her race were standing ready for organization, and asked the State W. C. T. U. to give them an organization of their own.

Miss Addie Austin, representing Miss Ruby Gilbert's literature house of Chicago, was present and was made a member of the convention.

A life-sized framed picture of Miss Frances E. Willard was presented by the convention to the Bedford high school.

On Monday, after the great collection was taken on Sunday afternoon, a little girl came to Mrs. Stanley and gave her three dollars for the fund. Said she had saved it to buy skates, but she wanted to give it to help close saloons. Mrs. Stanley learned that she was the child of a poor drunkard and her mother was dead, so she told her to keep her money to buy her skates, that the fund did not need her skate money.

Mr. and Mrs. Holcomb will ever be remembered by hundreds of delegates. Their white-ribbon bedecked and W. C. T. U. placarded automobile was in constant service.

Mrs. J. R. Mathes, chairman of the entertainment committee, received 571 names sent in for entertainment, many of whom did not come; but places would have been provided if they had come.

The local committees worked constantly and faithfully. Everything possible was done for the comfort of the delegates.

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IMPORTANT.

PLAN OF WORK FOR 1908-1909.

Membership.

It is our aim to raise our membership this year to 10,000. Let a campaign for membership be begun at once, and continued throughout the year.

Public Meetings.

We urge that a greater number of public meetings be held in the interest of state-wide prohibition. Every Union in the state should hold at least one public meeting during each quarter, using local talent as well as employing public speakers.

We earnestly recommend that Local Unions prepare interesting programs or medal contests, to be given in unorganized neighborhoods or towns, and at the meetings distribute literature and prepare the way for organization.

Contests.

We recommend that Unions arrange at once for essay contests in our high schools, to be governed by the rules in the plan of work sent out by our National Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction.

Receptions.

We recommend each Local Union to give a reception in honor of their teachers, and, if possible, to secure their subscriptions to the Crusader Monthly.

Local Option Campaigns.

We urge our Local Unions to co-operate with other organizations in an effort to drive saloons from our state by means of our Remonstrance and Local Option laws, meanwhile agitation and educating for state-wide prohibition.

Honorary Members.

We recommend that Local Unions seek to secure such number of honorary members as shall equal one-half the number of regular members.

Organization.

Each Local Union is earnestly requested to send \$1.50 to the State Treasurer as an organization fund. All poorly organized counties should begin at once to bring their organization up to the standard of at least six unions, with not fewer than ten paid members in each union, with a county organization.

FROM THE REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

In attempting to make a report of the year's work, the thought of how little can be represented on paper forces itself upon us. We can easily give the number of Unions in the state, and the number of members, but we have no standard by which to measure their influence, or tell how many lives have received an uplift because of the things that have been said and done by these organizations. We can keep account of the number of pages of literature we distribute, but we have no system by which to estimate the effect of the printed page or know to how many minds it has given the arrest of thought so much needed in this busy, bustling age.

Who can tell how many children have received impressions the past year from our Sunday School temperance lessons or in our L. T. L.'s that will guide them through life? Who knows how many boys have been kept in the hour of temptation by the memory of the little bow of white worn by his mother and the principles it represents.

No one can tell how many feet our work has saved from the pitfalls prepared for them, because it is impossible to trace out those unseen forces that make for righteousness.

For thirty-five years the faithful women of our organization have gone up and down the land

sowing temperance truth by voice and pen. In spite of prejudice, indifference, and even open opposition, they have steadily kept up the agitation of this great question until their seed-sowing is now ripening into a harvest. To those of us who are familiar with what has been done by our organization, the present manifestation of temperance sentiment is no surprise. It is merely the fulfillment of the promise, "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing."

Never in the progress of our reform have we made history so rapidly as in the months that have passed since our last state convention. Then we rejoiced that Georgia and Oklahoma had set up the white banner of prohibition. Since then Alabama, Mississippi and North Carolina have wheeled into the prohibition line, and Arkansas is rapidly advancing in the same direction. In fact, the indications are that we are soon to have a new "solid South"—solid for prohibition. In our own beloved state the work of remonstrance has gone steadily forward until 810 of the 1,016 townships of the state have driven out the saloon. Through the strategic movement of our Governor in calling a special session of the legislature, and the tremendous pressure brought to bear from over the state, a county local option measure has become law in our commonwealth. This will, perhaps be a little more effective weapon with which to fight the traffic than is the remonstrance law; but this law does not touch the breweries and distilleries, and so long as we allow their foul smoke to darken our skies, just so long will we have the curse of drunkenness upon us as a people.

While we, as an organization and as individuals, should do all in our power to make this law effective in driving out the saloons, we must not for one moment cease our agitation for state-wide, yes, nation-wide, prohibition.

Unusual activity and enthusiasm have characterized the work of our organization throughout the year. It was a part of our plan to make a gain of fifty or more in a large number of counties, and an earnest effort has been made to carry out the plan.

Much department work has been accomplished, as the work of our Superintendents will show; but their reports, as well as mine, will give only a fraction of the work that has been accomplished, because so much has not been reported. Twenty-one counties have been heard from each quarter, while fifty-one have reported one or more quarters. Thirty-two Local Unions have not reported at all.

We began the year with 260 Unions in 70 counties. During the year Unions have been organized in four new counties; Adams, Crawford, Rush and Warren. Other Unions have been organized as follows: Benton, 1; Blackford, 2; De Kalb, 1; Decatur, 1; Fayette, 3; Hamilton, 3; Huntington, 1; Johnson, 1; Jay, 1; Jefferson, 4; Miami, 1; Lawrence, 1; Marion, 3; Parke, 1; Posey, 1; Randolph, 2; Tippecanoe, 1; Vermillion, 2; Wayne, 2; Wells, 1; Warren, 1, and Vanderburg, 1.

Six national workers were employed in our state during the year as follows: Mrs. Mary Weaver, of New York; Mrs. Maude Greene, of Texas; Mrs. Mary Sibbitt, of Kansas; Miss Rebecca Trego, of Ohio; Miss Ella Brownell, of Pennsylvania, and Miss Annie Robbins, of Minnesota. All of whom did good work.

The report shows that \$538.89 was spent for literature; 2,355 regular meetings and 220 mass meetings held, and 357 lectures given; 471 Union Signals are taken; 3,906 signatures to the pledge have been secured, and 693 honorary members.

YOUNG WOMAN'S BRANCH.

Dear County Presidents:

Is there a "Y." or Young Woman's Society, in your county, or is there a place where you think one could be organized?

Please write me of the conditions in your county, so that I may know how to proceed. I must have your prayers and co-operation to accomplish anything in this department of our work. With God's help, I will do what I can to try to accomplish some good, but you can help me, and I believe that you will. If any woman who reads this, knows of an opening for a young woman's branch of our work, please write to me of it. There are hundreds of girls in Indiana who should be workers in a "Y." and how are we to reach and win them?

Sincerely yours,
Laura G. Cammack,
Secretary Y Branch.
Converse, Ind.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Dear Sisters:

Many of you have just returned from the State convention, tired, but full of enthusiasm. Some of you, perhaps, made a pledge for the state-wide prohibition fund not knowing how you were to raise it. Now is your opportunity to get into the churches on Universal Temperance Sunday, the

last Sunday in November, and take collections for the W. C. T. U. Go before the Ministerial Association at its first meeting, asking for this privilege. Send a representative woman from each Union to this meeting. Let it be understood that this is a concerted state-wide movement. Fill the pulpits with your own women, if you can secure those who can do so acceptably, if not ask the pastor to preach the sermon and give us a collection at close of the service. Have recitations by those who have won medals, chart talks from our scientific temperance chart or a five minutes' talk from our L. T. L. manuals at the Sunday School and Young People's meetings. Get a little note book and keep accurate account of work done and collections taken. Please send me the names of Superintendents and I will send plan of work.

Yours for service,
Mrs. Frances G. Boyer, State Supt.
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IV.—Evangelistic.

Evangelist—Mrs. Ella Kroft, Bloomington.

Systematic Giving—Ella Hartley, Richmond.

Work Among Railroad Employees—Mrs. R. P. Cole, Lafayette.

Mercy—Mrs. Nina Murphy, 1219 E. Vermont St., Indianapolis.

Jail and Prison—Mrs. Sarah Shugart Edgerton, Jonesboro.

Work Among Soldiers and Sailors—Mrs. Minnie Johnson, Connersville.

Sabbath Observance—Mrs. Kathryn Wert Holler, 749 Howard Ave., South Bend.

V.—Social.

Social and Red Letter Days—Mrs. Lillie Petre, Oxford.

Flower Mission—Mrs. Viola Harvey, Mooresville.

Fair and Open Air Meetings—Mrs. Lizzie Heath, 310 E. Walnut St., Indianapolis.

VI.—Legal.

Franchise—Mrs. Lida Outland, Upland.

Christian Citizenship—Mrs. Gertrude Fulton, Portland.

Legislation and Petition—Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College Ave., Indianapolis.

The General Officers.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Trustees for Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

Elected in 1908; Time of Office Expires in 1911

THE MESSAGE.

—Miss Clara Sears, Mrs. Rose Pearce, Mrs. Mary Jenner.

Elected in 1907; Time of Office Expires in 1910
—Mrs. Ida M. Mix, Mrs. Lida Outland, Mrs. Lizzie Hann.

Elected in 1906; Time of Office Expires in 1909
—Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Miss Mary E. Woodward.

Officers of Board of Superintendents—Mrs. Kathryn Wert Holler, South Bend; Mrs. Gertrude Fulton, Portland.

Plan of Work Committee—Miss Mary E. Woodward; Mrs. G. W. Augustine, Mrs. Gulia Shugart, Mrs. Ella Kroft, Mrs. Frances G. Boyer.

Appropriation Committee—Miss Clara Sears, Mrs. Sarah Lenfesty, Mrs. Frances Boyer, Mrs. Ida M. Mix, Mrs. Kathryn Wert Holler.

Model Program Committee—Miss Mary E. Woodward, Mrs. F. B. Perkins, Mrs. Gertrude Fulton, Mrs. Walter Burns, Mrs. Mollie Leavel, and Mrs. A. E. Rynerson.

Resolution Committee—Mrs. Carrie Brinkhoff, Mrs. Laura Thompson, Mrs. Ella Hartley, Mrs. Ella D. Oakes, Mrs. M. C. Gilson.

Board of Managers of Hadley Industrial School for Girls—President, Mrs. Lizzie Hann, Indianapolis; Secretary, Mrs. Mary Jenner, Evansville; Farm Superintendent, Mrs. Lida Outland, Upland.

CONVENTION REPORTS

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Lunches and suppers were served by Mr. Miller in two store rooms fitted up for the purpose; 400 persons could be seated and served at once. It was at a convenient distance from the church; the walk in the fresh air was just what the delegates needed. The plan was good, for so many delegates could not easily have been served at the restaurants.

Mr. Wm. A. Webb, a dry goods merchant, advertised a welcome for the W. C. T. U. and decorated appropriately. Other merchants also decorated in honor of the W. C. T. U. Many, indeed, were the words of appreciation spoken concerning the W. C. T. U. by Bedford people who had not been interested heretofore.

One drayman, a German, refused to take pay for carrying a trunk to the depot for one of the delegates, saying: "I am glad to do it for one of them white ribbon women."

Many members were secured for the Bedford Union. That is as it should be. From the time of the arrival of the delegates, who were met by Mrs. J. A. Rowe at the trains, until all had registered at the church and been properly located in some hospitable Bedford home, everything that thoughtful white ribboners could do was done by Mrs. W. A. Brown, general chairman, and each and every one of the members of the local committees.

President Vayhinger's address should be read in every Union. Copies of it given to ministers and teachers will be helpful to our cause. The address is published in full in the Annual Report of the Bedford convention. Single copies, 15 cents. Send to the State Corresponding Secretary, Miss Mary Woodward. Do not delay.

The National convention at Denver, perhaps the very greatest ever held, should be reported in every community by the representing delegate. Arrange a public meeting, with good music; have a recitation to follow the report; secure new members; get a collection for our work, and subscribers to the Union Signal. Now is the time to take pledges for funds for the W. C. T. U. for the year 1909. Unions can raise one hundred and two hundred dollars in this way for their local and county prohibition work.

President Vayhinger's recommendation that the railroad expenses of the national delegates be paid to the national convention from the county treasuries in a sum equal to ten cents per member, was almost unanimously adopted.

The convention picture taken at Bedford on the last evening of the convention is excellent. Only the delegates at the station on Tuesday morning had opportunity to buy. No doubt many will want copies. The faces are distinct, and the pictures unusually good. They are large, 14x17 inches, on card 17x22 inches; price, expressage paid, seventy-five cents. Address Thomas Jackson, Bedford, Ind.

Every Local and County officer and Department Superintendent must read the Annual Report of our state work in order to be equipped for intelligent W. C. T. U. work. The report contains the proceedings of the Bedford convention, the President's address, the Corresponding Secretary's report, the year's report of each State Superintendent of a department. The Local, County and State constitution is an important feature and should be familiar to every worker.

Besides all of this information, the report contains the county directories. To publish these report books much money is spent by the state in order to get in compact form the necessary information for the membership. The actual cost of each report is nearly thirty cents. They are sold to Unions for ten cents, if the Union pays postage or expressage; single copies fifteen cents. Send order immediately to Miss Mary Woodward, Fountain City, Ind.

TO MUNCIE, OCTOBER, 1909.

Mrs. Ella Bond, of Muncie, brought invitations for the next convention from Muncie and Delaware County W. C. T. U., from the Ministerial Association, and from his honor, the mayor of Muncie. The invitations were accepted with enthusiasm.

The General Officers of the state are members of the National convention by virtue of office.

The names of delegates and alternates to the National convention, representing the following groups of counties, were elected; each group of counties represents 500 or more paid members:

Delegatets at large, Mrs. W. A. Brown, Bedford; alternate, Mrs. J. R. Mathes, Bedford.

Group 1—Adams, Allen, Wells: Delegate, Mrs. E. A. Willis, Bluffton; alternate, Mrs. Ida Simmons.

Group 2—Decatur, Bartholomew, Rush, Shelby, Fayette, Johnson, Jackson, Henry and Hancock: Delegate, Mrs. Clara Gaff, Connersville; alternate, Mrs. Laura Thomson, Greensburg.

Group 3—Jefferson, Jennings, Clark, Ohio, Ripley, Floyd, Dearborn: Delegate, Mrs. G. W. Augustine, Madison.

Group 4—Washington, Crawford, Lawrence, Martin, Monroe, Dubois and Spencer:

Group 5—Posey, Vanderburg, Warrick, Gibson, Knox, Owen, Clay, Vigo and Parke: Delegate, Mrs. N. C. Meadows, 114 Line St., Evansville; alternate, Miss Katie Youngman, Princeton.

Group 6—Morgan, Putnam, Vermillion, Hendricks and Boone: Delegate, Mrs. George B. McKee, Lebanon; alternate, Mrs. Dr. Hendricks.

Group 7—Grant County: Delegate, Mrs. Flora Jay; alternate, Mrs. Sarah Lenfesty.

Group 8—Marion and Franklin: Delegate, Mrs. Frances G. Boyer; alternate, Mrs. Bresette.

Group 9—Whitley, Randolph, Delaware and Blackford: Delegate, Mrs. S. M. Stahl; alternate, Mrs. Lou O. Fisher.

Group 10—Miami, Wabash, Huntington, Howard: Delegate, Mrs. Ethel Howard; alternate, Miss Jennie Ridgeway.

Group 11—Tippecanoe, Clinton, Warren, Fountain, Carroll, Pulaski and Fulton: Delegate, Mrs. Ida Earhart; alternate, Mrs. Isabele Budge.

Group 12—De Kalb, Steuben, Noble, Kosciusko, Marshall, Elkhart: Delegate, Mrs. Edna Smith; alternate, Mrs. Elnora McNaughton.

Group 13—Benton, Lake, Porter, Laporte, Starke, St. Joe: Delegate, Mrs. Amanda Smith; alternate, Mrs. Lily Petree.

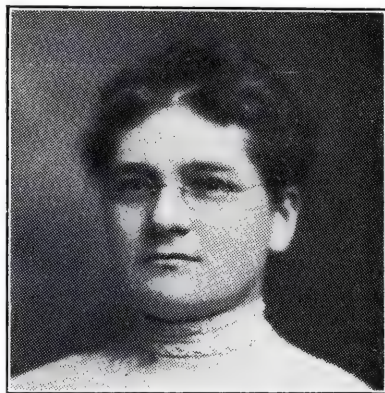
Group 14—Hamilton, Jay, Madison, Union, Wayne: Delegate, Mrs. Gertrude Fulton; alternate, Mrs. Retta Jones.

MEMORIAL LIST READ AT THE BEDFORD CONVENTION.

Mrs. S. S. Ohl	Mrs. E. T. Brown
" Susan Sims	" Elizabeth Thomas
" Adelia Allen	" Sarah Wasson
" Jane Adams	Dr. Ella Rogers
" Rachel Michaels	Mrs. Kate Baker
" Ruth Trueblood	" Rebecca Roberts
" Melissa Crow	" Drusilla Wilson
" Lachan	" Isabel Jenkins
" Marian Lockwood	" Dell Hickman
" Belle Bodle	" Woodland
" S. S. Whistler	" Henrietta Marley
" Kate Baker	" Mary Veach
" Laura Willard	" Frances Reed
" Chas. Kinsey	" Chas. Kinsey
" Jane Inwood	" Julia F. Lawrence
" Lydia F. Goodwin	Miss Lizzie Perlee
" Emily Cox	HONORARIES
" Mary Wilt	Robert Hensell
" Harriet Wright Brand	W. W. Williams
" Jane H. Winslow	Robert Ridgeway
" Hannah Ellis	Ed. T. Brown
" Maria Hollingsworth	Dr. Hening
" Nancy Thomas	Prof. J. F. Kinsly
" Margaret Seaton	Master Marshall Breetle
" William Griffith	

PLEDGES SECURED FOR STATE-WIDE PROHIBITION. TO BE PAID IN TWO INSTALLMENTS. ONE-HALF DUE DECEMBER 15, 1908, AND THE OTHER HALF DUE MAY, 1909.

NAME.	CITY.	AMOUNT.
Mrs. John A. Rowe	Bedford	\$100 00
Elkhart Co.		50 00
Fayette Co.		50 00
Marshall Co.		50 00
Marion Co.		50 00
St. Joseph Co.		50 00
Tippecanoe Co.		50 00
Grant Co.		50 00
Jay Co.		50 00
Morgan Co.		50 00
Vanderburg Co.		50 00
Decatur Co.		50 00
Monroe Co.		50 00
Mrs. Shearer	Indianapolis	50 00
Bartholomew Co.		50 00
Mrs. J. A. Coleman	Bedford	50 00
Jefferson Co.		25 00
Wayne Co.		25 00
Mr. and Mrs. Holcomb	Bedford	25 00
Mrs. E. Litz	Smithville	25 00
Washington Co.		25 00
Dearborn Co.		25 00
Boone Co.		25 00
Clinton Co.		25 00
Bedford Local Union		25 00
Howard Co.		25 00
Mrs. C. Fassnacht	South Bend	25 00
Mrs. Carrie Jones	Vigo county	25 00
Blackford Co.		25 00
Allen Co.		25 00
Wells Co.		25 00
Delaware Co.		25 00
Mrs. F. T. McWhirter	Indianapolis	25 00
Hendricks Co.		25 00
Hamilton Co.		25 00
Union Co.		10 00
Mrs. Tracy	Eagletown	10 00
Mrs. Harriett Steckel	Mulberry	10 00
Mrs. Mary F. Brookbank, in memory of her husband,		
Marcus Brookbank	Jeffersonville	10 00
Mrs. Lizzie Hann for her grandchildren	Indianapolis	10 00
Wabash Co.		10 00
Mrs. A. M. Bonham	Indianapolis	10 00
Huntington county		10 00
Mrs. Wolf, in memory of her husband	Indianapolis	10 00
Mrs. Cenia Mans	Francisco	5 00
Mrs. J. E. Pitts for grandchildren	Bedford	10 00
Vermillion Co.		10 00
Mrs. S. J. Swallen	Evansville	10 00
Earl Park & Oxford Unions		10 00



MRS. KATHRYN W. HOLLER,
State Superintendent Sabbath Observance.

Mrs. J. F. O'Haver	Bedford	10 00
Baby Frances Willard		
Carter	Bedford	10 00
Madison Co.		10 00
Mrs. Ida Wertz	Elkhart	5 00
Mrs. Iva Wood Parker	Elkhart	5 00
Mrs. S. E. Johnson	Elkhart	5 00
Mrs. Fred Pyle	Elkhart	5 00
Elwood Union		5 00
Mrs. Budge for eight grandchildren	Lafayette	8 00
Mrs. Steibenthal	Bloomington	5 00
Mrs. C. C. Thomas	Marion	10 00
Mrs. Joseph Armstrong	Bedford	5 00
Mrs. Florence Lawson	Spencer	5 00
Mrs. Mary Hendricks	Lebanon	5 00
Syracuse Union	Syracuse	5 00
Spencer Union		5 00
Mrs. Angeline Winn	Brazil	10 00
Mrs. Rose Pearce for grandson Steadman Pearce	Cayuga	5 00
Mrs. Fisher	Eaton	5 00
Mrs. J. R. Goff	Bedford	5 00
Gordon Willard Holler	South Bend	5 00
Mrs. Mary Woodard	Fountain City	5 00
Lois Vayhinger	Upland	5 00
Paul Vayhinger	Upland	5 00
Willard Hall	Franklin	5 00
Ross Stanley, Memorial	Liberty	5 00
Clara M. Sears	Anderson	5 00
Mrs. O. R. Rash	Brightwood Union	5 00
Mrs. Henry Aldenhager	Bedford	5 00
Mrs. Lida Dugan	Bedford	5 00
Mrs. May Moser	Loogotee	2 00
Rev. Whitney for grand children	Bedford	5 00
Mrs. Kate Norton	Bedford	20 00
Mrs. O. F. Gray for 2 sons	Spencer	10 00
Mrs. Elnora Smith	Culver	5 00
Mrs. Geo. Brunig, for grandson, Indianapolis		5 00
A Friend	Bedford	5 00
Mrs. Cal Jones	Bedford	5 00
Mrs. J. F. Boles for son	Portland	5 00
Steuben county		25 00
Mrs. R. H. Wood	Madison	10 00
Mrs. Bertha Mowery	Albany	5 00
Mrs. A. J. Broadhecker	Brownstown	5 00
Mrs. Hannah Taylor	Economy	5 00
Mrs. J. H. Crim	Bedford	2 00
Mrs. Lida Outland, two grandsons, Upland		5 00
Mrs. Emily McIntosh for grandson, John C.	Hoagland	5 00
Deercreek Union		5 00
Forrest and Orval Carter	Bedford	2 00
Ida Dowell	Hartford City	5 00
Mrs. Minnie Harger	Brazil	5 00
Mrs. Hoopengartner	Bedford	5 00
Aaron Worth Gray	Greensboro	5 00
Dr. Smith	Bedford	5 00
Miss Kate Youngman	Princeton	5 00
Grace L. Prow	Bedford	5 00
Mrs. Mary L. Moody	Indianapolis	5 00
Princeton Union		5 00
Mrs. Brazette	Indianapolis	5 00
A Friend	Bedford	1 00
Mrs. Beam		1 00
Wm. Rayborn	Bedford	1 00
A Friend	Bedford	1 00
Mrs. R. O. Rash	Brightwood	1 00
Mrs. F. B. Perkins	Kendallville	10 00
Mrs. Katie Waller	Albany	10 00
Frances Willard Andrews	Red Key	5 00
Goshen Union		5 00
Geo. M. Dodd	Bedford	5 00
Fairmount Union		5 00
Mrs. Stallings	Moorsville	5 00
Jacob Allinger	Bedford	5 00
Mrs. Wm. Perry	Indianapolis	10 00
Mrs. Carrie Brinkhoff	Mulberry	5 00
Louis Ramsey	Bedford	5 00
Miss May Pritchett	Galena	5 00
Franklin county		5 00
Mrs. Alex White	Ossian	5 00
Beatrix Henry	Bedford	5 00
DeKalb county		5 00
Wells county		25 00
Mrs. Fred Ebert	Elwood	5 00
Mrs. M. E. Stormant	Princeton	5 00
Mrs. Dye	Fairmount	1 00
Mrs. W. M. Smith	Bedford	1 00
C. E. Ray		5 00
A. B. Tressler		5 00
Gertrude Fulton, for Dorothy Pauline, Portland		5 00
Mary L. Cox, husband Vilas O. Howell		5 00
Zella Carlyle	Bedford	5 00
Mrs. S. J. Rarides, 3 sons		5 00
Mrs. Harry Campbell		6 00
Mrs. O. P. Egrew for baby		1 00
Cristes Whitted		50 Pd
Mrs. Carrie Brinkhoff	Clinton county	5 00
Mrs. Ida Steggelman	Stinesville	5 00
Mrs. Eliza Grafton	Bedford	5 00
Mrs. Nina Lowe for husband, Earl Park		1 00
Mrs. Filer for great grandchildren, Liberty		1 00
		\$2,004 00

College towns should be flooded with temperance literature and speeches. Excellent leaflets for distribution among students can be secured from our National Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Education, Mrs. Edith Smith Davis, 2913 Brown street, Milwaukee, Wis. Mrs. Martha M. Allen, 20 Cayuga street, Homer, New York, has many leaflets on alcohol in medicine that are interesting and instructive. The W. C. T. U. must distribute literature if it comes up to its opportunity. Two dollars buy many leaflets that if wisely handed out may bring fine results.

The bitterest tears shed over graves are for words left unsaid and deeds left undone. "She never knew how I loved her." "He never knew what he was to me." "I always meant to make more of our friendship." Such words are the poisoned arrows which cruel death shoots backward at us from the sepulcher.

FIELD NEWS

Tippecanoe County held its Annual County Convention and Normal Institute on September 18, at Columbia Park, Lafayette. There was a good attendance all day, and good reports were given by officers and superintendents present. The election resulted as follows: For President, Mrs. Isabelle Budge; Vice-President, Miss Eliza Baker; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. O. Meacham; Recording Secretary, Mrs. John H. Marquis; Treasurer, Mrs. Jennie Conn.

The Guilford W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. A. Leffingwell October 14th. After the regular business of the Union the election of officers followed. For President, Mrs. Jennie Ward; Vice-President, Miss Alta Hansell; Secretary, Mrs. Abbie Ewbank; Treasurer, Mrs. Eva Ward. One new paid member was gained at this meeting, with more to follow.

The Porter County Convention, W. C. T. U., was held in Hebron, Ind., September 23, 1908, with good attendance, and was full of interest throughout. The morning session was opened by County President Mrs. Clarke; devotional consisted of Scripture lesson and sentence prayers; encouraging remarks were made by local ministers, Bro. Paxton, of the M. E. church, and Bro. Brown, of the Christian church, closing with the benediction by Bro. Paxton, after which all adjourned to the church parlors where a sumptuous dinner was served. Afternoon session was called at 1:30. 23rd psalm was sung and 146th psalm read; vocal solo by a Hebron lady; address of welcome by Mrs. Buchanan, of Hebron; response by Mrs. Hall; reports on department work were given; committees appointed; followed by election of officers: President, Mrs. Hall, of Valparaiso; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Rice, of Hebron; Recording Secretary, Mrs. White, of Valparaiso; Treasurer, Mrs. Davis, of Hebron. All Department Superintendents were retained by acclamation. Several interesting papers were read, and calls were made for subscribers to Union Signal and Crusader Monthly. All seemed greatly encouraged with the year's work; several of the towns have put out the saloons, and more will be out as soon as their license expire, thereby helping to place Indiana in the prohibition list.

Mrs. White, Secretary.

The Floyd County Convention met in New Albany September 11th, in the W. C. T. U. hall, on West Market street, and was presided over by the County President, Mrs. Annie Jones, who gave a review of the organizing of the Temperance Unions in Floyd County. Reports from Galena Union showed that they were not idle. I want to say here that the Message made a mistake in the last number in saying the Salem Union gave an ice cream supper for the Hadley Home. Its hard to work up a supper and then some one else get the credit. Galena Union gave the supper and sent the Hadley Home the profits, which were \$10. Report from New Albany Union showed that a great deal of work was being done in jail and mission work, also open air meetings, led by Mrs. Reinberger. All the superintendents brought up good reports and were re-elected. Also, all the old officers were re-elected: County President, Mrs. A. Jones; Recording Secretary, P. K. Pritchett; Treasurer, Mrs. Woelfling; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Emma Engleman. In the afternoon six matrons recited; among the number was a gray-haired grandmother who wore a silver medal that she captured last spring. Also had a Silver Medal Contest at night. The ladies of the New Albany Union served a bountiful dinner and supper, which was enjoyed by all. May God's blessing rest on all we do.

The Dearborn County W. C. T. U. met in Convention at Wrights Corner September 25th, in the M. E. church, presided over by the County President, Mrs. A. E. Rynerson. Delegates from Bright, Guilford, Lawrenceburg and Moores Hill were in attendance, and reported good work done in the county. The County L. T. L. Secretary, Mrs. Jennie Ward, reported 123 L. T. L. members, and enough dues paid to entitle them to a delegate in the State W. C. T. U. Convention at Bedford. Rev. A. Leffingwell, M. P. pastor of Guilford, and his wife were present. Bro. Leffingwell gave a splendid address at 3 o'clock, and his wife became a white ribboner at the close of the convention. They are staunch prohibitionists and will be a great help to the W. C. T. U. The following are the officers for the coming year: President, Mrs. Maggie Gibson, Lawrenceburg, R. R. 1.; Vice-President, Mrs. A. E. Rynerson, Moores Hill; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Jennie Ward, Guilford, R. R. 1.; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Vella Ake, Moores Hill; Treasurer, Mrs. Della Williams, Moores Hill, R. R. 1.

An Inter-Collegiate Prohibition Oratorical Contest is held in Indiana annually, with a prize of \$50. Representatives from Indiana colleges being selected at local contests. The following item is from the De Pauw Daily, Greencastle, Ind.: "J. Raymond Schmidt, president of the Prohibition Association, was at Indianapolis recently calling on a number of prominent men in regard to a prize for the coming temperance oratorical contest. Hon. W. J. Beckett, of Indianapolis, an alumnus of DePauw, consented to give a cash prize of \$25.00 to the winner of the local prohibition contest. These contests have already been of much general interest, and the Beckett prize is

expected to make the competition keener and larger. The contest will occur about the third week in January, and any underclassman is eligible. The field of subjects is large, any theme is permissible provided it treats of some phase of the liquor problem. Already a number of young men have expressed their intentions of entering this contest, and this year's oratorical is expected to be the best ever held."

The Roll Purity Union met at the Roll M. E. church and elected officers as follows: President, Mrs. Elizabeth Likely; Vice-President, Mrs. Sarah Harrold; Recording Secretary, Miss Mabel Ely; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Lena Palmer; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary Dunlap. Superintendents: Mrs. Mollie Alexander, Sabbath Observance; Press, Miss Jessie Smith; Contest, Miss Clara Byall; Flower Mission, Mrs. Sarah Adams; Evangelistic, Mrs. Mary Dunlap; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Sarah Harrold; Mercy, Mrs. R. Little. After adjournment Mrs. Harrold served fruit.

Miss Jessie Smith, Press Reporter.

The Franklin County Woman's Christian Temperance Union Annual Convention was held in Brookville M. E. church September 15. The President, Mrs. Margaret M. Smith was in charge. Mrs. Kroft delivered a very interesting address, showing the relation between the missionary societies and the W. C. T. U., and how beautifully their work blended together. Her address was greatly enjoyed by all. The women of the Woman's Home Missionary Society were present. The reports of Treasurer and Secretary showed good work done during the year, fourteen new members and two honoraries. The Literature Superintendent has scattered literature over the county. Officers elected: President, Mrs. Margaret M. Smith; Vice-President, Phoebe Bracher; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Vawter; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Lou B. Moore; Treasurer, Mrs. Florence Miller.

The Earl Park W. C. T. U. was organized June 5, 1908, with twenty-seven members. So rapid has been its growth that there are now sixty-one regular members and eight honorary members. It was decided to entertain the new members, husbands and children of the members at a supper September 11, 1908. The use of the opera hall for the evening and also for all the regular meetings was kindly donated by Mr. G. F. Lockwood, one of the honorary members. Under the skillful hands of the decorating committee, the hall blossomed into a bower of beauty, with graceful festoons of the national colors, and with palms and ferns. The letters "W. C. T. U." appeared over the stage and on all the tables. About 140 persons sat down to a good supper consisting of chicken, beef loaf, rolls, jelly, salad, pickles, cake, brick ice cream and coffee. After doing full justice to the supper, a short musical program was rendered by the W. C. T. U. quartet and several other musicians. At a late hour the happy crowd dispersed, congratulating the President and her efficient committees on the complete success of the initial "husbands' night," which will be an annual affair. At the regular meeting for the election of officers, the officers of the first organization were re-elected as follows: President, Mrs. Minnie Barr; Vice-President, Mrs. Mae Yeager; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mae Cooper; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Erma McMahan; Treasurer, Mrs. Maude Seward; Mrs. Nina Lowe was elected delegate to the State Convention at Bedford. The Earl Park Union is very much in earnest in its work and hopes to see several practical results of its efforts in the near future. The work of the departments is taken up and put each in the hands of an energetic superintendent.

Mrs. Emma McMahan, County Press Supt.

Wells County W. C. T. U. met in Annual Convention at Tocsin September 16th. The delegates were met at Kingland with rigs, driven by the L. T. L. boys and girls of that Union, and at the church welcomed by the loyal white ribboners of Tocsin. The convention was called to order by the County President. The morning session was taken up by the business of the convention, which was very gratifying and full of interest, not only because of the meeting and greeting of our sisters again, but because of the good work and reports of gain in the county during the past year. After a real spiritual noontide prayer service, conducted by Mrs. Dr. Goodwin, dinner was served by the ladies of Tocsin. Immediately after the devotionals, by motion, the election of officers took place. This being done that we might accommodate the daily papers at Bluffton, who were anxious for at least a part of our report that day. Memorial services were held; Mrs. Lizzie Johnson paid tribute to the memory of Mrs. Wasson, Tocsin Union, and Mrs. Molly McBride spoke with feeling of Mrs. Thomas, Bluffton Union. With Miss Garnet Kleinknight presiding at the organ and the sweet singing by Mr. and Miss Archbald throughout the day and evening, as well as others, the time was enjoyed by everybody present. Other business then closed the afternoon's work. The following officers were elected: Mrs. A. E. Willis, President; Mrs. Chas. Hacker, Vice-President; Mrs. Elizabeth Ellingham, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. D. T. Smith, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Nolting, Treasurer. In the evening the L. T. L.'s had charge of the opening services, which was a credit, indeed, to the Union at Tocsin and the Superintendent of this department. Rev. Muikin, Rev. Ely and Rev. Martin gave splendid addresses. The convention was in every way a grand success, and much credit is due to the untiring and loving efforts of our dear County

President. Superintendents of Departments thought much work had been done that was not reported, and urged another year that better reporting might be done. We are looking forward to a splendid year's work. After singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," Rev. Martin dismissed with benediction.

Mrs. Chas. Hacker, Press Reporter.

Indianapolis—Frances Willard Union was entertained October 13th by Mrs. Victor, 1502 Missouri street. Interesting reports were read by four delegates that were freshly returned from Bedford. Mrs. Stahl, from Hartford City, was present and gave a talk that emphasized her determination to fight king alcohol to the bitter end. She warned mothers to more carefully watch over children when they are old enough to go out into the world; especially the boy, for it is impossible for him always to remain under home guard. She told about visiting five beardless youths in jail. She said to them: "Sometimes drink brings people here." "That is what brought us all here," answered one of them. She told about a man that reached the penitentiary through a "teaspoonful of brandy." His father used to take him on his knee and feed him the dregs of brandy and sugar from the bottom of his glass. Mrs. Stahl also cautioned against feeding infants on whisky. One mother arose to remark that she had seven sons and had never used whisky during their infancy. Mrs. Stahl also spoke of their early struggle in her city, when a crusade of forty women were defeated in their efforts to prevent a license being secured. However, since then four saloons there and in that vicinity have been driven out. Mrs. Bond, from Muncie, also spoke encouraging, helpful words. The hostess served her company with cream, cake and grapes.

The Willis Union of Mt. Zion, Ind., at its regular meeting, October 21, 1908, listened very attentively for almost one hour to "Echoes from the State Convention at Bedford," by Mrs. M. E. Miller, delegate. During the winter months we will meet with our co-workers at their homes instead of at the church, thinking the change beneficial all around. Refreshments will be served at these meetings and possibly we can come within better touch, one with another, by the home meetings, hence hoping to take on renewed activity. A Silver Medal Contest, under the auspices of the new Medal Contest Superintendent, Mrs. M. E. Miller, is scheduled for Friday evening, October 30, 1908. The Superintendent remarked she felt she must have one contest before election, it might have some bearing.

Mrs. M. E. Miller,
Cor. Secy. and Press Supt.

Denver as a convention city has many attractions.

When one reaches a mile high altitude, they can afford to forget the small things that easily irritate, and become more deeply interested in the things that make for peace and righteousness, and better moral and material conditions.

Our people have not all attained to that happy state, but we are making progress, and we trust that the convention and the influences it will set in motion, will be helpful to us as a city.

Denver is well named the "Queen City of the Plains." This is the mecca to which all the inhabitants of the state expect sometime to make a pilgrimage.

Into her lap are poured the silver and gold, and other precious metals in which Colorado abounds.

Denver is a city of brick, with large and substantial business houses, and many attractive homes whose beauty is enhanced by large and well-kept lawns.

One of the first buildings that will interest you will be the new auditorium in which the convention will meet—its seating capacity will be from ten to twelve thousand, and its acoustic properties are excellent. The tramway cars will land you very near the entrance.

There are over 100 passenger cars leaving and arriving every 24 hours. So if you get started you will be sure of reaching here some time.

Our graded schools, of which there are sixty, are well conducted and have an able body of teachers. We have an excellent manual training school; the Denver and Westminster Universities are located here, and we are within a half-hour's ride of the School of Mines, located in Golden.

Denver has fourteen parks, some of them in the making process, and a fine system of boulevards. City park has an electric fountain and many attractions.

A United States mint is located here which you will be interested in visiting.

There are 2,000 automobiles in the city. Some of them will be at your service.

We have 192 churches, and on Convention Sunday we expect that the women from different sections of the country will occupy the majority of them.

Our newspapers, magazines, press and writers clubs, have shared in awakening a new public spirit.

Lizzie M. Mason,
Press Superintendent Colorado W. C. T. U.

IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. Sarah Coolman, of Broad Ripple, wife of Jacob Coolman, passed to her reward Sept. 14th, 1908, after a lingering illness, which she bore patiently. She leaves a husband, one son and two daughters and many friends. The W. C. T. U. loses a valuable member, our loss is her gain.

Broad Ripple W. C. T. U.

FANNIE JOHNSON
Press Supt.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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NATIONAL CONVENTION NOTES.

(By Mrs. Frances Boyer, a Delegate.)

At roll call every State and Territory responded, except Alaska. All National officers were present except Mrs. Hattie Brand, who now answers to the roll call above. Tender, loving words were spoken of her by President Stevens.

Thirty States reported a net gain of one hundred or more members. Fifteen States made a gain of five hundred members.

Pennsylvania made a net gain of 2,864. There were a-field in Pennsylvania 147 National Lecturers, Organizers and other speakers. The tSate has ten State Organizers.

The National total net membership gain was 20,455.

In Ohio there is one county where every fifth woman is a paid member of the W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Susanna M. D. Fry, who has served as National Corresponding Secretary for ten years, refused re-election, and Mrs. Frances P. Parks, former President of West Virginia, was elected as her successor. The convention presented Mrs. Fry with a diamond ring, and the Board of Organizers gave her a handsome clock.

Mrs. E. P. Hutchinson, President of Kansas, was elected National Treasurer.

Judge Ben Lindsay, of Juvenile Court fame, was on the program. He is deservedly popular in his home city. He said there were 1,000,000 boys and girls every year in the Juvenile Court.

Mrs. A. A. Hawley, author of "The Crusade Glory Song," made a beautiful "welcome" address to the convention.

Indiana has 663 Union Signal subscribers, while New York has 2,323. Many States and many individuals pledged money to the Crusader Monthly and the Union Signal. Indiana pledged \$20.00 to the Union Signal, and \$10.00 to the Crusader Monthly.

Ohio Unions spent \$6,000 for literature.

Mrs. Jennie M. Kemp, circulation manager of the Union Signal, was assisted in the Union Signal booth during the convention by three young ladies. One of them was Miss Bessie Eckman, of Indiana. After December 1st, last year, Miss Eckman sent 97 subscriptions to the Union Signal. She is Marion County's agent, and Marion County doubled its subscription this year to the Union Signal.

The Sunday School department has given out 1,350,000 temperance leaflets.

The Department of Scientific Temperance Instruction has accomplished much this year. Mrs. Edith Smith Davis, National Superintendent, has responded to many calls for lecture and institute work. She gave three lectures to 2,500 teachers.

Mrs. Kathryn Lute Stevenson, President of Massachusetts, and Miss Ruth Davis, of Wisconsin, will soon sail for the Orient, under commission from the World's W. C. T. U. Mrs. Stevenson to advance our work in educational institutions in the countries of the world; Miss Davis goes to Japan.

If all Christians in this country tithed their income, there would be \$2,000,000 for the Lord's treasury.

Illinois pledged 1,000 subscriptions to the Crusader Monthly.

One thousand boys and girls marched through the streets of Denver on Saturday night to the convention hall. There were great crowds on the streets; for a time street car traffic was stopped. Some people were moved to tears as they watched the children and read the banners and heard their yells. Above the roar of the street and the music of the bands could be heard the eager young voices shouting as they passed the saloons, "When We Vote Saloons Will Go!" The marching of these children into the convention hall and the Loyal Temperance Legion exercises, which followed, were of intensest interest. In closing the Legioners gave their national salute: "My head, my heart and this right hand, for God and Home and Native Land." Motto: "Tremble, King Alcohol, We Shall Grow Up!" Together all repeated: "A flag over every school house, but (with a stamp of the foot) no flag over any saloon." Marching off the platform they sang, "Saloons Must Go."

At intervals of recess the delegations sang state songs; sometimes all sang a chorus, "The Nation's Going Dry," to the tune of "Bringing in the Sheaves."

On Sunday our White Ribboners occupied the pulpits of the city. One hundred and sixty-five active W. C. T. U. members were secured that day in the churches.

Miss Anna A. Gordon, National Vice-President-at-Large and World's Secretary of the Loyal Temperance eLgion, is a versatile, persistent and indefatigable worker and a lover of children. She is the best loved woman by the children in the world today. She writes the temperance songs for the English-speaking children of the world.

Hon. Seaborn Wright, of Georgia, made an able address to an immense audience in the evening. He has for years been a strong prohibition worker in his state; a brilliant man, and a Democrat in politics. Prohibition in Georgia was won through the splendid efforts of Mr. Wright and Mrs. Amour, President of the W. C. T. U.

President Stevens is a queenly woman, presiding with dignity and ability; loved and tenderly regarded by thousands of admiring women, who recognize in her unusual strength of character, fidelity of purpose, and unselfish devotion to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

INDIANA SHIBOLETH AND YELL.

State-Wide Prohibition!
The Young People A-Field!
10,000 Women 1909!

Who are, who are, who are we?
Hoosiers, Hoosiers, don't you see!
License High! License Low!
Local Option! No! No!! No!!
Prohibition 1909! That's us, Indiana!

SOMETHING FOR THE LOCALS.

Let eight girls, dressed in white, represent the eight prohibition states. Let girls represent all local option states, and wear gray circular capes over white dresses, the length of the cape being in proportion to the amount of local option territory. States without local option or prohibition are to be represented by girls wearing long black capes over white dresses. Each girl wears a crown bearing the name of the state represented. The states in black enter first, advance to the front of the platform and sing, "Where There's Drink, There's Danger," then fall back and the local option states take their places and sing, "There's a Shadow on the Home." Enter the eight prohibition states who come to the center of the stage carrying a large flag, and singing, "We're Coming to the Rescue." The gray and black states circle around the prohibition states, and during the song drop their capes, first the local option states in the order of their prohibition territory, then the black states, until all appear in white. The boys of the L. T. L. then march in singing, "The Coming Voters," and together give the National Junior motto, "Tremble, King Alcohol! We Shall Grow Up." As they join the circle all unfurl small flags, which they have kept concealed, and boys and girls together sing, "We're Out for Prohibition."—White Ribbon Ensign.

HOW TO MAKE A GOOD LOCAL PRESIDENT.

My text is Joshua 3:7, "And the Lord said unto Joshua, this day will I begin to magnify thee in the sight of all Isreal, and they shall know that as I was with Moses, so will I be with thee."

When we study God's business methods, how simple, direct and complete we find them. Isreal's great leader was gone. God picked out the best man in the congregation to succeed him, and then wisely proceeded to magnify Joshua in the minds of the people to inspire them with confidence in him, and the battle was half won.

God might have said, "Joshua is a good man, but he is not the statesman Moses was. He means well, but he can't preside over the congregation like his predecessor. He loves me and wants to learn, but he never saw the burning bush. He is loyal to you, but he hasn't the prestige among the nations which Moses held."

You can easily see that Joshua's usefulness would have been zero with all these "buts." No one knew better than God Himself that the mold was broken in which Moses was cast. That as a leader, statesman, law-giver, his equal has not lived, but the work of the world must not stand still, and He "magnified Joshua."

Though Joshua did not give the law, he still had gifts. He had discernment to know the weakness of Canaan as well as its strength. He had decision of character to stand for his conviction against the overwhelming testimony of the ten spies. He had continuity of purpose to remain faithful for thirty-eight years in the wilderness, and the Lord magnified his virtues, knowing well that the miserable Israelites could be trusted to keep him more than sufficiently humble by magnifying his flaws.

Here is a lesson for the Local Union. According to their best judgment the majority voted for the best woman. Imitate God—Magnify her before all the people.

She is not a Miss Willard. She may have limitations, but she is in the place; both she and the Union love the work, want it to prosper, sacrifice for it, and rejoice in its prosperity. Shall any one hinder by belittling the leader? Magnify her in the eyes of the Union and in the community.

Will you say instead, "We didn't do so back home!" "In York State we had a houseful every Meeting!" "Why can't she make things go like Mrs. Blank did ten years ago?" "We use to work it this way!"

To all such grumblers let us say, "Do it now." "If you are not like the Irishman's potato, show us how efficient you are by doing something now."

Take up the good qualities of your leader, and lend a hand at the right time and in the right place, and she will grow to astonish you.

We have invested our time, our money, our interest, prayers, and oft our tears in the W. C. T. U. Let us say to the woman who directs: "We do

not pay you any salary but love, loyalty and service, but draw on me for these whenever the cause need me."

If there be a criticism needed go lovingly to her and with your record for magnifying virtue, will she not hear?

Imitate God. Magnify your leader in the eyes of all the people.—Mary L. Page, in "The Union Worker."

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION.

Our Indiana party joined the National train at Chicago, and started West at mid-night, October 20th. The White Ribbon special bore more than one hundred and fifty White Ribboners, and a happy and congenial company they formed. Little groups, with representatives from Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, Massachusetts, West Virginia, etc., formed and discussed plans of work, hopes, discouragements and successes. State lines were forgotten except as we glanced at the little badge bearing name of state worn by each woman. We remembered that we were sisters, banded in a holy warfare for the protection of children against the twin evils intemperance and impurity. Such feeling of kenship is formed by no other tie in the great universe.

We were met at the station in Denver by a brass band composed of boys, and another composed of girls. The arrangements were so perfect that places of entertainment were found without the usual difficulties so disagreeable to hostess and visitor alike.

Indiana was most fortunate in her seating, being only a few seats from the platform, and directly in front of it. While other delegates were straining every nerve to hear, we sat quietly and heard with little or no effort. The auditorium is a choice place for such a gathering, and the audiences at nights filled it. The editorial banquet was a sumptuous affair, held in the Brown Palace, the most elegant hotel in Denver. Our thoughtful editor of The Message had planned for your President to be there and occupy her chair at the table, in her absence. (A kindness much appreciated.) The palm room of the hotel was a bower of beauty, with its festoons of smilax, its palms and carnations. The toasts were given by editors from different states of the Union, and were full of both wit and wisdom.

Every meeting of the convention was full of enthusiasm and encouragement for the future. Indiana's delegation was made up of representative women and one man, Mr. Jay, of Grant County, all energetic workers in Local and County Unions. Indiana was on the program on Jubilee night, and gave a very fine demonstration. Each delegate was presented to the audience by the President, who told, in one sentence, the most important work of the Union or County from which she came.

I trust every woman will read the report of the convention given in The Union Signal.

CULLA J. VAYHINGER,
President Indiana W. C. T. U.

RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED TO THE CONGRESS OF MOTHERS:

Whereas, The present conditions in the lavatories of the public schools of the United States are considered to be unsanitary and unhygienic and generally neglected as to a reasonable supervision, and

Whereas, The moral and physical welfare of the child is hazarded because of the prevailing conditions, and

Whereas, We feel that this has the strongest moral bearing upon the life of the future American men and women; be it

Resolved, That the Congress of Mothers of the United States recommend as mothers to the legislative bodies of the several states of the union that proper and adequate laws be passed for the proper supervision and equipment of all lavatories connected with the public schools; and further

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the records of the Congress and that a copy of this be sent to our President of the United States and the Governors of the several states.

(Signed) Katherine Tulidge,
801 North 63d St., Philadelphia, Pa.

EATON W. C. T. U. GROWING.

Organization Means to Report Big Membership at Muncie Convention.

Mrs. Lou O. Fisher, of Eaton, has returned from the State Convention of the W. C. T. U., at Bedford, last Wednesday, and on Sunday a mass meeting was held at the Eaton M. E. church, at which she gave a report of the convention. She succeeded in carrying her audience with her until the great State session seemed to be a reality to them. At the close she made a stirring appeal for new members, and thirty responded. The war-cry for the Eaton Union this year is one hundred active and fifty associate members. The Eaton Union has set its mark to come to the great State Convention at Muncie next October one hundred strong. Good!—From local press.

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Pledge from Local and County Unions and from individuals for our campaign for constitutional prohibition should be paid off as rapidly as possible. Send by money order to the State Treasurer, Miss Clara Sears, Anderson, Ind.

Every officer should have the Indiana Annual Report to use daily for reference and information. No well-informed State, County or Local officer can do without it. Price 15 cents single copy. Send to Miss Clara Sears, Anderson, Ind.

Local President, please see that Press Superintendents are appointed for service in your Union. A Press Superintendent should read other reports of Unions and try to write as well or better than other Superintendents. Send postal card reports and items to The Message editor.

Petitions for state-wide prohibition have been sent out, with an earnest letter to every Union, by our State President, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger. Every individual women who can secure one or two names to a petition should do so at the earliest convenience. During this pleasant weather is the time to work. What have you done? What will you do?

All Christmas Shopping should be done early. Woman's inhumanity and selfishness is demonstrated during holiday shopping as at no other time of the year. Sensitive women who refuse to wear natural bird wings and breasts on their hats because of their sympathy for the feathered tribe, will be in the crowd of shoppers that make it necessary for over-worked women clerks to stand behind the counters in our large city stores from eight o'clock in the morning until ten o'clock at night for three weeks before Christmas, having only short respite for lunches. It is time for Christians to lend their influence for a saner, holier Christmas. Women spend money recklessly for needless, useless things, and "work so hard getting ready for Christmas." Christian women have a higher, holier duty toward their homes and loved ones than to thus spend their time and substance. The influence of the life and teachings of Jesus Christ has emancipated women from the darkness of superstition and heathenism. Only where the light of the Gospel of Christ has shown is woman more than a chattel or a slave. In celebration of this Christ day, this joyous day, every mother and home-keeper, with the blessed heritage of life in a Christian land, should emphasize the significance of the day—teach the little people and the young people the real reason for gladness and joy. In order to do this well, time for meditation and thought is needed. The wife who spends money extravagantly for Christmas and causes the husband anxiety and perhaps financial stinting for weeks or months afterward, is unwise and untrue to her trust.

State-Wide Prohibition—In order to secure for Indiana state-wide prohibition by constitutional amendment, a resolution to that effect must pass in the Legislature, be submitted to a vote of the people of the State, and then confirmed by the next legislature. Prohibition in the constitution is what we want, and what all really sincere temperance people are demanding. In order to secure it we must begin; for at least it will take more than two years to secure it. If it passes the legislature this winter, then it will be voted upon, no doubt with success, and come before the next legislature. The Indiana W. C. T. U. decided to work for such a change in constitution. When successful the manufacture and sale of liquors will be prohibited within the borders of our state. This course is worth working for, and constitutional prohibition is the only final practicable way to settle the temperance question right. We have no doubt that three-fourths of the women and voters of Indiana today favor this method, and will sign a petition when opportunity is offered.

Collection envelopes, such as used by the churches, are inexpensive, and would increase the receipts of the Local Unions if used at all public meetings.

For Universal Temperance Sunday Marion County W. C. T. U. asked the ministers of the county to preach temperance sermons and to give a collection to the W. C. T. U. for state-wide prohibition.

FREE-WILL OFFERING MARION COUNTY W. C. T. U.

To Secure State-Wide Prohibition by Constitutional Amendment

Pledge

Cash

Name

Address

Fac-simile of envelope used.

For use in the churches the W. C. T. U. collection envelopes were used in the pews. The envelopes printed cost 85 cents per thousand. To all W. C. T. U. people it means much to know who are our friends. By means of these envelopes we get the names and addresses of those who give and those who make a pledge. Ever so small an amount is to be appreciated.

Every Union should have three or five thousand envelopes on hand for use in all public meetings.

FOR INDIANA.

Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, State President, and Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, State Vice-President-at-Large, should be kept in the field from now until May 1st.

If our Unions will plan for doubling their membership, now is the time to begin. In order to interest the people public meetings must be held.

In every public meeting membership cards or envelopes should be given by young ladies, at the door, to those who enter; at the close of the program a plea should be made for members, active and honorary.

We must agitate the subject of submitting to a vote of the people a resolution for constitutional prohibition.

Public Meetings! One a month wherever possible during the winter months. Secure an able speaker for Sunday service; announce and announce and invite until there will be a full house.

Never fail to have collection envelopes for use. In this way our friends will have opportunity to make a cash contribution or a pledge for our work.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Dear Sisters:

I have just sent out letters to Local Presidents, and 5,600 petitions for women and children asking for state-wide prohibition. I hope this may have your early attention.

I have had prepared "Indiana's Crusade Pledge," and am preparing to send them out to Local Presidents, enough to give one to each member. Watch the mail for them, and begin work at once, that we may make a gain of 750 this first quarter.

I want to ask each woman sending in a list of subscribers to The Crusader Monthly, to send it through Mrs. Ida Mix, Kokomo, Ind. The one sending in 350 subscriptions in the year receives a beautiful little gold watch. No one woman will send in that many unless we send through her, and as a token of our appreciation of the work of Mrs. Mix in the L. T. L., I ask this favor of you. Please grant it.

I hope the State Superintendents will have their plans of work, including the conditions for winning the pennants, ready for the printer early, that they may be placed in the hands of the Local Superintendents.

Will you not, my dear sisters, read over my address and try the suggestion offered concerning Local and County Superintendents and see if it will not bring better reports?

Which Union will be the first to adopt the Mission Station plan as proposed in the address? We will print them in The Message in the order in

which they come to me. Who will be first to undertake to organize a Union in missionary territory? Speak out by card or letter.

Lets get to work early. Yours for service,
CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

IN OLD KENTUCKY.

Behold Kentucky, the traditional cradle of all good whisky! In less than two years the liquor traffic has been practically obliterated, and yet this state has \$160,000,000 invested in distilleries. Only four counties are wholly wet at this writing, and the Jailers' State Association has petitioned the Legislature for regular salaries, because under prohibition conditions, the empty jails do not bring them fees enough to live on.—Carrington A. Phelps, in Broadway Magazine.

SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

Dear Superintendents and Presidents County and Local Unions—Nothing would please me more than to know that every County and Local Union in the State will this year have a Superintendent of this department. I will send out samples and plans as soon as I get the Superintendents' names.

Last year, in the United States, there were written by school children 800,000 essays on the subjects suggested by this department. Our state did not do her share of this work. Shall we not try harder this year? The subjects and conditions have been changed somewhat for this year, and are as follows:

Rules Governing Contests:

The College—This contest will be open to students in the four college classes. The essays shall be judged wholly on their subject matter; that is, clearness of thought, accuracy of statement, and originality of presentation of subject.

Subject—"The Relation of Individual Total Abstinence to the Prosperity of the Nation." National prize, \$100; maximum words, 3,000; minimum, 2,000.

High School—This contest shall be open to all students in the high school. The essays shall be judged three-fourths on subject matter, and one-fourth on style and grammatical excellence. The maximum number of words shall be fifteen hundred; minimum, one thousand. Subject: "The Value of Total Abstinence to a Life." National prize, \$50.

For Grades—This contest shall be open to all pupils in the grade schools. The essays shall be judged one-half on subject matter, one-fourth on style and grammatical excellence, and one-fourth on appearance of paper, which shall include penmanship and spelling. The maximum number of words shall be one thousand, and the minimum five hundred. Long quotations must be avoided and simplicity of statement and originality of thought emphasized. Subject: "What is the Harm in a Glass of Wine, Beer or Cider?" National prize \$35.

Each Local, County and State shall fix its own prize. If the Local cannot offer a prize, the prize essay may be entered for the County or even the State prize. The National prize goes to the department of Scientific Temperance of the State winning it.

There has been no prize fixed for our State as yet. If there is to be one, it will be announced later. The prize County essay should be in the hands of the State Superintendent by June 15th.

Now a word for The Crusader Monthly. Last year our number of subscribers was to have been 1,000. Only 288 were reported to your State Superintendent, and about half of them too late to get into the printed report. I know we will set our standard high and counteract our shortage of last year.

Yours for service,

MRS. ETHEL E. BAIR,
State Superintendent, North Liberty.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Dear Superintendents:

To us is given the task of arousing an interest in the department of Sabbath Observance in all of the Unions in the State.

Let each County Superintendent equip herself with information and literature pertaining to this important work; visit each Local Union in her County and present the great need of a better observance of the Sabbath, and urge more hearty co-operation of the members in this special line of work. Have an earnest, faithful, energetic woman for each Local Union, who will use all of her influence to arouse public sentiment in favor of Sabbath Observance in her community, and who will devise ways and means to agitate and educate along the lines of this department.

Every woman in the State who loves our Sabbath can have a share in preserving it. Now is the time to sow the seed of Sabbath literature. Ten cents will buy two hundred pages; surely you could not have a better investment. If you wish to plan a public meeting, send for our Sabbath songs in leaflet form, Responsive Readings and pledge cards, all at ten cents per hundred.

We will furnish you, for the asking, with a copy of our State Sabbath law, Responsive Reading, catalogue of literature, pledge cards and samples of leaflets.

Some times Superintendents write that results are discouraging and the Sabbath is desecrated as before.

Dear Sisters, your progress may be slow and results seemly meager, but we must not grow faint-hearted. Let us remember how the little brook persistently winds its way toward the river, and the river to the ocean, both, in time, reaching their final destination. We are bound to win if

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we keep persistently at it, for we have God's promise that we shall reap if we faint not.

Yours for great victories in 1908 and 1909,
KATHRYN WERT HOLLER.
South Bend.

HOUSEHOLD ECONOMICS.

You all well remember the efforts that were put forth by our State organization in securing the Pure Food Law, and the wonderfully good results we have reaped from the enactment of this law.

Now the State Board of Health has asked our assistance in securing other laws equally as important.

First, the one known as the Housing Bill. It asks that the State Board of Health be empowered to decide on the sanitary conditions of buildings.

Second, that all persons appointed in sanitary work pass an examination for fitness. This applies to either sex.

Third, as the law now stands, four years is the limit for an appointment, but often changes are made every year.

The Board desires that the Legislature make it imperative for each appointment to continue the entire time, according to the law.

While we are all grateful and proud that Prof. C. H. Wiley, United States Chemist, has publicly stated that the W. C. T. U. was standing back of him in his fight for the National Pure Food law, he would probably have given up before success crowned his efforts. May we not again prove ourselves as useful and loyal for the public welfare by urging our respective representatives to cooperate with the State Board of Health during the coming Legislature.

MRS. MARY A. MOODY,
219 E. Tenth St., Indianapolis. State Supt.

"10,000 MEMBERS IN 1909."

Order your State Minutes of Miss Clara Sears, Anderson, instead of Miss Woodard, as was stated in last Message. Price, fifteen cents per copy if carriage is prepaid, or ten cents per copy where several copies are ordered together and expressage not prepaid.

Six new Unions have been organized since State Convention. A colored Union in Bedford, organized by members of Bedford Union and Mrs. McCurdy, our new colored Organizer; New Haven, in Allen County, organized by Mrs. Stanley, and four new Unions in Pulaski County, organized by Mrs. Potter and Mrs. Stahl. This is a fine beginning for the fifty new Unions that we must have by Sept. 15, 1909. If every County President will organize one in her County, we will soon have the fifty. Remember our rally cry: "10,000 Members in 1909."

Fountain City Union gave a reception in honor of the teachers of New Garden Township, on Friday evening, November 13th. The husbands of the members and a few other guests were invited. The reception was given in their hall, which was prettily decorated with our national colors and growing plants. Some amusing games occupied the early part of the evening, then Mrs. Ella Hartley read an interesting paper on "The Beginnings of Scientific Temperance Instruction;" Miss Mary Woodard talked on "The Present Status of Scientific Temperance Instruction," and Prof. O. L. Voris, Superintendent of our schools, gave some of his observations with reference to the "Effects of Tobacco on the Growing Boy." The attention of the teachers was called to the "Helps for S. T. I." given each month in The Crusader Monthly, and a copy of the monthly, with the S. T. I., tied with a white ribbon, was presented to each teacher. Coffee and two kinds of cake formed the refreshments. All present voted the occasion a very enjoyable one.

BEER.

Whisky makes men crazy, cider makes them ugly, but beer seems to make men stolid and callous and cold-blooded. The haunts of anarchists are lager beer saloons, and the leaders in anarchy are beer sellers and beer drinkers. A whisky drinker will commit murder only under the direct excitement of liquor; a beer drinker is capable of doing it in cold blood. Long observation has assured us that a large proportion of murders, deliberately planned and executed without passion or malice, with no other motive than the acquisition of property or money, often of trifling value, are perpetrated by beer drinkers.

We believe further that the hereditary evils of beer drinking exceed those proceeding from ardent spirits; first, because the habit is constant and without paroxysmal interruptions, which admit of some recuperation; secondly, because beer drinking is practiced by both sexes more generally than the spirit drinking; and thirdly, because the animalizing tendency of the habit is more uniformly developed, thus authorizing the presumption that the vicious results are more generally transmitted. —The Pacific Medical Journal.

INITIATION SERVICE.

President reads the pledge.

I hereby solemnly promise, God helping me, to abstain from all distilled, fermented and malt liquors, wine, beer and cider included, and to employ all proper means to discourage the use of and traffic in the same.

Do you each and all subscribe to this pledge?

Initiates—We do.

Second obligation:

President—believing the triumph of our principles would promote the purity and peace of our homes and hasten the coming of Christ's kingdom, we hold our obligations to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union as solemnly binding upon us, and promise to faithfully sustain the work and pray for its success.

Dou you promise?

Initiates—We do.

President—By the payment of one dollar dues to our treasury, I do declare you each a member of — W. C. T. U.

On behalf of our Union I am pleased to welcome you into our ranks and congratulate you upon this privilege with all of its pleasures and duties.

You have identified yourselves with the largest organized body of women in the world and have thus multiplied your influence and effect in temperance work a thousand fold.

In our forty-one departments you will find opportunity for work in every branch of Christian service.

Our protest against the legalized rum traffic is typified in this white ribbon which I now fasten above your heart, beseeching you to wear it faithfully as a symbol to your loyalty to humanity and God.

And now, in the name of the Master, whom we serve let us all, old members and new, be diligent in our efforts for the protection of the home, the abolition of the liquor traffic and the triumph of Christ's Golden Rule in custom and in law.

Because He died to save me from all sin,
Because he waits until souls are gathered in,
This pledge I take for Jesus' sake.
Because men love to wander far away,
Because his darkness chooses night to day,
This pledge I take for my brother's sake.
Because all flesh is weak, temptation strong,
Because all right should be against all wrong,
This pledge I take for my own sake.

—Mrs. Ella Murphey.

FIELD NEWS

Guilford—The W. C. T. U. held a pleasant and profitable meeting at the home of Mrs. Chas. I. Darling, Nov. 11th. The following Superintendents were appointed: Mrs. Alta Hansell, Medical Temperance; Mrs. Sarah Leffingwell, Franchise; Mrs. Eva Ward, Sunday School; Mrs. Jennie Ward, Mercy and Help; Mrs. Louisa E. Darling, Press. The membership of the society is small, and is making special effort to secure an increase. The present members are loyal and true White Ribboners. Mrs. Jennie Ward, the President, has suffered the loss of her mother, who died very suddenly in Indianapolis Oct. 30th.

Blackford County—Mrs. S. M. Stahl, W. C. T. U. President of Blackford County, also of the Hartford City Local Union, was pleasantly surprised the evening she returned from the National Convention, by a number of her friends, who called upon her, bringing fruits and candies to add to the evening's entertainment. The Presbyterian orchestra furnished splendid music for the occasion. While our President, Mrs. Stahl, was away, we wanted to be busy and very good, so about 200 women of the county went to Bluffton in special cars to ask for votes for a temperance man, as we believed, for Prosecuting Attorney. Speeches were made and songs sung. The ladies wore badges and marched to the city hall. The local papers said many mean things about us, but God sees the heart, and He knows we meant well. For one afternoon and evening we had Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley with us. She spoke to the schools and gave a splendid address in the evening. Then, too, we moved from the basement of the city library to an upper and much nicer room, being well lighted and heated and looking very home-like.

Mrs. O. P. Sample, Reporter.

Mooreville Union held a mass meeting at the M. E. church on Sunday evening Nov. 1. Echoes of the Bedford Convention were heard; excellent papers were read by Mrs. Viola Harvey, our State Superintendent of Flower Mission Work; Mrs. I. N. Thompson, our County Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings. Different ministers assisted in the services; friends of the cause, who are not members of the Union, joined cordially in the exercises, and a general good time was the result. One of the leading features of the occasion was a recitation by little Miss Margaret Tut, who is said to be the youngest member of the W. C. T. U. in Indiana. Her talent in oratory is marvelous.

Sarah C. K. Marine.

Fairview Union—About 52 friends met at the home of Mrs. Emma Zimmerman, last Tuesday evening, Nov. 10th, and gave her a very pleasant surprise. Mrs. Zimmerman is to leave in a short time for Oklahoma, where she will make her future home. The W. C. T. U. ladies of Fairview presented her and her daughter Lillian with the W. C. T. U. pins. The President, Mrs. Eliza Bugh, presented the pins and gave a very encouraging talk. We regret to lose their help in our Union. An elegant buffet supper was served, and all left wishing her success.

Miss Mabel Beard, Press Reportre.

Ft. Wayne—The Woman's Christian Temperance Union secured through our Sunday School Association Board the privilege of bringing Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley before their Association, and she spoke to a very appreciative audience. On the following day she addressed the Union of our

city. She also made an address before the Ladies' Aid Society of the First M. E. church, which was listened to with great interest, after which we secured nine new members for our Union. In the evening she, with quite a number from our Union in Ft. Wayne, went to New Haven, and there she addressed an audience in the Methodist church of that place, and was successful in organizing a Union there. The Ft. Wayne ladies are out for victory.

Mrs. Hunter, Press Reporter.

Floyd County—Reports show a growth in membership and an increased activity and interest along many lines. This Union is the happy possessor of several of the State pennants, and is striving to retain these and add others to their number at the next convention. A small County, small Union and small President, but look out for us just the same, for we're coming.

Mrs. Adda Lobach, Press Supt.

The Allen County convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held near Monroeville all day and evening. The election of officers resulted in the election of Mrs. C. S. Ridenour, of Ft. Wayne, to succeed Mrs. Emily McIntosh, of Hoagland, the greatly loved and efficient retiring President; Mrs. C. W. Bussard, of Ft. Wayne, Vice-President; Mrs. M. A. Smith, of Monroeville, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Vogle, of Monroeville, Recording Secretary, and Mrs. Emily McIntosh, Treasurer. A medal contest was held in the evening under the direction of Mrs. Barnhart. The medal was won by Miss Luella Youse, of Monroeville.

Montpelier—The water well recently drilled on the corner of Main and High streets, through the efforts of the W. C. T. U., was dedicated with appropriate and beautiful ceremonies. Large numbers of people from Montpelier and surrounding towns and country were in attendance. The services were held in the band stand, which had been erected on the court house square near the well, and profusely decorated with American flags and bunting. Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, of Upland, State President of the W. C. T. U., was the principal speaker in the afternoon. On the platform with her was Mrs. Weston, President of the Local Union; Mesdames Goodin, Black and Likely, Presidents of the Bluffton, Keystone and Roll Unions respectively, and the singers. Mrs. Vayhinger was introduced by Mrs. Weston. She spoke of the progress in temperance work during the past fifty years. Notwithstanding that it is difficult to speak in the open air, she held the close attention of her audience from start to finish, and was loudly applauded at intervals. At the close of her address the new well was presented to the city and received by Mr. A. P. Smith, representing the Town Council. Rev. G. H. Myers responded in behalf of Mr. Smith in a few fitting remarks. Rev. Kennaman, the U. B. minister, pronounced the benediction.

Montpelier—Mrs. Myrtle Shull is Superintendent of the Departments of Evangelistic and Sabbath Observance.

North Liberty Union held a reception for the teachers of the town and township, at the home of Prof. and Mrs. J. H. Bair, Friday evening, October 23rd. A program on Scientific Temperance was carried out, and two contests, one on temperance names and one on the names of flowers, concluded the program. Ministers of three denominations were present and added much to the pleasure and program for the evening. At the close of the program light refreshments were served by the ladies of the Union. The guests, on leaving, expressed themselves as having spent a profitable as well as pleasant evening.

Geo. Howard, Press Supt.

Rockport W. C. T. U.—Dear Message: May we enter your circle? But I fear we have been so negligent in making our reports to you, you will scarcely care to recognize us. We live "in the pocket," thirty-three White Ribboners strong. For some years we were handicapped by our small numbers and the unpopularity of the work; but the temperance cause has grown to such magnitude we must add our note of rejoicing to the great chorus of victory heard on every side. Our best work will tell more in the future—the L. T. L. For three years we have had a strong band of intrepid little standard bearers, who have already made themselves felt in this community. We have made most of the departments of Flower Mission and Literature, both in the L. T. L. and W. C. T. U. Yesterday (the 10th inst.) we held our meeting two miles out in the country, with Mrs. James Haines. She is an enthusiastic member and sees to it that we have a good time when we meet with her. Mrs. Margaret Haines, having just returned from the National Convention at Denver, gave a rehearsal of the doings of this wonderful body, much to our encouragement and inspiration. Several copies of the State Convention Minutes were ordered. We have determined our better work, more systematic work. We are praying that very soon our county may be one of the many "dry" counties. Sincerely,

Zona J. Hackleman, Press Supt.

Owen County—Superintendents appointed: Mrs. Jas. Layman, Spencer, Superintendent of Flower Mission Work; Mrs. Grimsley, Gosport, Superintendent of Sabbath Observance; Mrs. Minnie Eastes, Spencer, R.R., Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings and Pure Literature, and Mrs. Florence Lawson, Spencer, Superintendent of Medical Temperance.

Nettie A. Stone.

South Bend—Pleasant View entertained about fifty ladies at a Mothers' Meeting and Thimble October 28th, at the home of Mrs. Ralph Smith. Two original papers were read, one by Mrs. M.

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Miller on "Mothers' Influence," and one by Mrs. A. Otis on "Children's Amusements." Mrs. J. Dillon sang sweetly a lulu by; Mr. and Mrs. Dalrymple each gave readings; Miss Plant closed the program with an instrumental solo. Refreshments were served and a very pleasant time enjoyed by those present, while the Union has the promise of five new members at the next regular meeting.

Ida M. Smith, Press Supt.

The Owen County W. C. T. U. met in convention with the Carp Union at Wesley Chapel. A goodly number were present from the Spencer and Gosport Unions. Mrs. Mollie Jones was selected President; Mrs. Alma McClaren, Vice-President; Mrs. Nellie Wampler, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Florence Alverson, Treasurer, and Mrs. Nettie A. Stone, Corresponding Secretary. Those present brought their lunch, and a very pleasant and helpful hour was spent at noon. Papers on "Flower Mission Work," "Sabbath Observance," "Mothers' Meetings," "Pure Literature," and "Medical Temperance" were read and discussed. A recitation and some good music were also given.

Ray—The result of the membership contest in the L. T. L. was in favor of the Blue side. The reception was given by the Superintendent, Mrs. Ella McNaughton, and the members on the Red side, at Mrs. McNaughton's home, on Saturday, Nov. 7th, from 2 to 5 p. m. The red color scheme was very prominent; the decorations were white bunting and red butterflies. The little folks on the receiving side looked very pretty in their red neckties, and dainty butterflies. Master Vern Howard, captain on this side, was completely decked with the airy creatures, which were cut from red crepe paper. Mrs. McTaggart, President of the W. C. T. U., and Mesdames Howard and McNeil, teachers in the L. T. L., were guests of honor at the reception. Mrs. McNaughton is a charming hostess and entertained her guests in a happy manner until the hour arrived for the literary program, which was very fine, consisting of music, select readings, recitations and addresses of welcome by members of the Blue side. Vern Howard responded to the address of welcome which was given by Miss Mable Naiton, captain on the Blue side. We would like to make particular mention of every number on the program, but we will speak of all in terms of highest praise. Three boys came forward of their own free will and said they wanted to sign the pledge. This filled the Superintendent's heart with joy and hearty cheers went up from the company. The hostess served a one-course luncheon in which the color scheme predominated. A guessing game was introduced by Mesdames McTaggart and Howard in which Marie Norton won the prize, which was a little red Japanese plate full of chocolate candy. We expect you will hear from these boys and girls for their motto is: "Tremble, King Alcohol, for We Shall Grow Up!" Will add that we certainly have a very active L. T. L., and we expect to accomplish great work under the leadership of Mrs. Ella McNaughton, for she seems to have the cause deeply at heart.

Mrs. Lida Duquid, Cor. Sec.

College Corner, on the State Line—The W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Ferd Smith. It being the close of the contest for getting new members the Ohio side had twelve and the Indiana side had eleven. Accordingly, the Indiana side gave an entertainment. The meeting opened by singing 163; Scripture lesson read by the President, Mrs. Anna Buck; prayer by Mrs. Applegate; roll called, and each one responded with a temperance text. New members were then initiated, each one taking the pledge. A welcome was read by the Evangelistic Superintendent, Mrs. Cunningham; one from Mrs. Lilia Laird, read by Miss Lotie Buck. Then came the report from the State Convention, which was held at Bedford, Ind., the delegates being Mrs. Dan Black and Mrs. Peter Drake. A finer report was never heard. It made us feel like singing "Hallelujah, Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow!" Refreshments were served. Forty-six members were present. Two new members were added to the list, making twenty-nine new members in the last year. Mrs. Stacks, Press Supt.

Upland.—Eunice Wilson Union met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Glasgow, Nov. 5th, in a parlor meeting. Mrs. Vayhinger was present and talked on the "Origin of the W. C. T. U.," also told some very interesting things about the State Convention. Mrs. Bloomer and Miss Nora Linder gave a report of the State Convention. The ladies' quartet from Taylor University sang two selections, which were much enjoyed. At the close of the program dainty refreshments were served. June Williams, Press Supt.

The Brightwood W. C. T. U. held a public meeting in the Baptist church on Saturday evening Nov. 7th. Mrs. Boyer, Marion County's delegate to the National W. C. T. U. Convention at Denver gave a very interesting report of that convention. We also had recitations, and special music by local talent. A free-will offering was taken, which was very good considering the size of the audience and time we had to arrange for the meeting. We having arranged for the meeting after our regular meeting on Thursday before. Our members felt that many good impressions were made that will result materially for our Union.

Laporte Union held a very interesting meeting at which the delegate gave an excellent report of the State Convention, for which a vote of thanks was given her. The County was also re-organized with the following officers: President, Mrs. C. J. Brown; Vice-President, Mrs. Seth Pease; Record-

ing Secretary, Mrs. Augusta Kregle; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Oscar Parcell; Treasurer, Mrs. James Foster. This Union will serve a 15c luncheon Nov. 14th to replenish their treasury.

Mrs. Seth Pease, Press Reporter.

Indianapolis—Frances Willard W. C. T. U. had a meeting of the officers at the home of Mrs. Frances Williams on Nov. 5th. Arrangements were made and committees appointed to see about future meetings to be held in churches. In such cases, if half the proceeds are given to the Union, the minister becomes an honorary member of it. About a year ago two captains were chosen to do extra work in securing new members. Mrs. A. K. Geyer represented the Red, and Mrs. H. E. Hathaway the Blue. Red won in point of numbers; now Blue is obliged to furnish a free supper to the victorious side, of which more anon. This Union now has 52 members besides 10 honorary members. In response to roll call the members repeated a verse of Scripture, the verse containing a certain word previously agreed upon. It was decided that The Crusader Monthly should be sent into deserving families. Various schemes were discussed as how to raise money with which to carry on the work. Mrs. Noe, of this city, a visitor, spoke of the early hard times of temperance; she had promised the Lord to do what she could, little thinking that it would bring her into public life. She spoke of her terror the first time she was called upon to lead audibly in prayer. So many unkind things were at that time said about women in this most unpopular work that they agreed to repeat nothing to each other except "kind words." These dark days and the many sad scenes that she encountered in her prison work taught her the real meaning of charitableness.

Mrs. M. McDonald,
Cor. Sec. and Press Reporter.

Every woman who is interested in the
temperance movement, should read the
Union Signal every week. One dollar per
year. Send money order to the Union Sig-
nal, The Willard, Chicago, Ill.

Elkhart—The first regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. year was held at the home of Mrs. T. J. Howard, station 19, Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Hall conducted the devotionals. During the business session the members decided to send The Crusader Monthly for one year to each of the ten principals of the schools in the city. The first paper received was the October number. In response to petitions sent to our legislators, the following communication was read from Representative A. S. Zook: "Ladies: Yours received. You may rest assured that I will follow your instructions, and what I say can be depended upon." The following Superintendents of different departments were appointed: Medical Temperance, Mrs. (Dr.) Work; Sunday School Work, Mrs. Mary Mast; Scientific Temperance Instruction, Mrs. Ethel Church; Parliamentary Usage, Mrs. B. C. Rowley; Medal Contests, Mrs. Milton Wertz; Temperance Literature, Mrs. J. Salsig; Press, Mrs. Iva Wood Parker; Moral Education, Mrs. Elva Zimmer; Purity in Literature and Art, Mrs. Fred Pyle; Anti-Narcotics, Mrs. Rose Oliver; Law and Statistics, Miss Mary Daly; Evangelistic, Mrs. H. Zigler; Systematic Giving, Mrs. S. E. Johnson; Mercy, Mrs. Shaw; Jail and Prison, Mrs. T. M. Baker; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. J. Richards; Flower Mission Mrs. Thornton; Franchise, Mrs. Lewis Munson; Christian Citizenship, Miss Margaret Wilson. The most important part of the program was the talk given by Mrs. Martin, who came from Indianapolis, where she has been engaged as a missionary and slum worker. She told of her many experiences in the work on Court street, where there are 400 fallen girls on the one street. Five weeks ago she came to take charge of Rest Cottage, the rescue home of Elkhart. Rescue work is a department of the W. C. T. U. work, and those present received information in regard to it, and inspiration to do more in that line than ever before.

Blackford County Convention was held at Millgrove. Mrs. Ella Kroft, speaker for the convention, made an excellent address. Wednesday morning the devotional was led by Mrs. Florella Weston, of Montpelier, followed by a Temperance Love Feast, led by Mrs. Lizzie Lizely, of Roll. The address of welcome was by the Local President of Millgrove. Mrs. Eliza Bugh, Fairview, responded. The County President and Local Presidents made splendid reports for the year's work, which showed a great amount of good done. Mrs. Kroft's address on "Social Evils of the Day" was full of truth and proved to all that the social evils stand in the way of progress in the temperance work. Miss Forest Anderson gave a talk on "Our Sabbath Observance Pledge." As a result of her talk, Blackford County will send a plea through the State to the National Convention to make the pledge less strict in order that all may keep it conscientiously. The County officers gave some very good reports, and then the following officers were elected for the year: President, Mrs. Stahl, Hartford City; Vice-President at Large, Mrs. Lizzie Likely, Roll; Vice-President, Mrs. Bessie Robbins, Millgrove; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Eliza Bugh, Fairview; Treasurer, Mrs. John Slater, Hartford City; Corresponding Secretary L. T. L., Mrs. Wearly, Montpelier;. Mrs. Kroft installed the new officers. Rev. Bergman, of Millgrove, so well known here, gave a very able talk on "Our Present Outlook for Victory." A Matron's Silver

Medal contest was conducted by Mrs. Bert Ritter, of Hartford City, County Superintendent of Contest Work. Seven ladies were in the class; the judges deciding in favor of Mrs. Shull, who delivered her selection in a very creditable manner.

The Gibson County Convention was held at Francisco, in the M. E. church, Sept. 10th, and was called to order at 10 a. m. by our wide-awake County President, Mrs. Lizzie Pfohl. After the devotional, led by Mrs. Lena Mans, the annual report of the officers and department superintendents were heard. A paper on "Medal Contest Work," was read by Mrs. Cuba Martin. The noon-tide prayer, offered by Mrs. Lizzie Medcalf, closed the morning session. After adjournment a luncheon was served in the church by the Local Union. In the afternoon Rev. Montgomery led in the devotional service. Some very interesting papers were read, one by Mrs. Sadie McGregor on "Equal Suffrage;" another by Mrs. Mary Tichenor, "Would You Go Down in Dirt to Keep Out the Saloon?" Dr. Lester, a prominent physician, gave an instructive talk on "Effect of Alcohol on the Body and Mind." After a reading by our Superintendent of Medal Contest, Mrs. J. S. Critchfield, we heard a most excellent address by Mrs. S. J. Simpson on "The Work and Workers." The following officers were elected: Mrs. Lizzie Pfohl, County President; Mrs. M. C. Stormont, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Cuba Marton, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Mary Birchfield, Treasurer. The attendance was the largest and more interest was shown than at any previous convention, and our White Ribboners returned home with glad hearts, feeling that "this day was one well spent."

Katherine Youngman, Count Press Supt.

South Bend—A general meeting of all Unions in the city was held to hear the reports of the delegates returned from State Convention, at the home of Mrs. C. Fassnacht, the County President. Mrs. Nash, of Colfax, gave the good points and suggestions in the L. T. L. work, in which she is much interested. Mrs. Orner, of Frances Willard Union, spoke principally of the encouraging work done among colored women. Mrs. Eldred, Mrs. Holler and Mrs. Fassnacht reviewed all the other good points and urged the Superintendents, both Local and County, to consider the necessity of sending full reports to the State. The meeting was very well attended, and was interspersed with songs, and a solo by Mrs. Clyde Locke, and an original poem by Mrs. Reynolds. The good points were then discussed over a cup of tea, after which the ladies departed with nearly as great enthusiasm as if they had all been to the convention.

Mrs. Ida M. Smith, 1505 Michigan Ave.

Tippecanoe County—Executive met in regular session Friday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. W. H. Stinespring, State St., where business of importance was transacted, with the new County President, Mrs. Isabel Budge, presiding. The County officers agreed to stand by her in her pledge, made at the State Convention, of fifty dollars for the forwarding of the cause and state-wide prohibition. We are also working to secure an organizer for L. T. L. work. Each one felt that it was good for her to be there, and left with renewed enthusiasm for the work of the coming year. Mrs. Lillian Hall, Co. Press Supt.

Echo St., Lafayette, Ind.

Tippecanoe County Officers and Superintendents: President, Mrs. Henry Budge, 674 Parrin Ave.; Vice-President, Miss Eliza Baker, 223 Waldron St., W. L.; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. O. W. Meacham, Lafayette; Recording Secretary, Mrs. John Marquis, 267 Wood St., W. L.; Treasurer, Mrs. Jennie Conn, Ferry St., Lafayette; Evangelistic, Mrs. Lizzie Jester, 135 State St., W. L.; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Fannie Green, 100 Thornell St.; Franchise, Mrs. Rebecca Oilar, 212 North St., W. L.; Flower Mission, Mrs. C. C. Robinson, 425 Perrin Ave.; Anti-Narcotics, Mrs. Mary George, 1517 N. 13th St., Lafayette; Scientific Temperance, Mrs. Almira Roberts, 136 S. Grant St., W. L.; Medical Temperance, Mrs. Lida Grove, Elizabeth St., Lafayette; Railroad, Mrs. Cole, Lafayette; Medal Contest, Mrs. Ray L. Stinespring, 405 State St., W. L.; Systematic Giving, Mrs. L. S. Smith (Rev.) Lafayette; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Olive Shook, Waldron St., W. L.; Hadley, Mrs. May Williams, 213 Russell St., W. L.; Press, Mrs. Lillian Hall, Lafayette; Fair, Miss Metta Taylor, 136 Thornell St., W. L.; Parliamentary Usage, Miss Eliza Baker, 223 Waldron; Health and Physical Culture, Mrs. Ray L. Stinespring, 405 State St.

Los Angeles (Cal.), County W. C. T. U. has a recently published history from 1884-1908. The origin and growth of the work is of great interest. The Treasurer's report from 1889-1908 showed \$18,980 receipts, which does not include any of the money raised by Local Unions for local work. The department work has been very great. Many National department workers have been called to service in the county. Scores of the nation's ablest Prohibition and W. C. T. U. speakers have been employed to speak for the Unions of the County. The history, with its splendid record and with pictured faces of the dear workers who labored so persistently in the eighties and nineties, is most interesting.

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. RUTH A. STRONG, of Indianapolis, was called to her heavenly home on October 26th. She was the mother of Mrs. Jennie Ward, one of Dearborn county's faithful White Ribboners. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family of this mother in Israel.

MRS. A. E. RYMERSON.

THE MESSAGE.

Miss Myrtle Kyger

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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Petition Form.

To the Members of the Legislature of Indiana:

We, the undersigned (voters) (women) of Indiana, respectfully pray you for the passage of a resolution favoring an amendment to the constitution of Indiana prohibiting the manufacture and sale of alcoholic liquors as a beverage.

PETITIONS

Thousands of copies of petition heads have been sent out to local presidents—petitions for signatures of men, separate petitions each for women and for children.

Every person and child can get signatures, and thousands will work at it with a vim if asked.

If you do not have sufficient copies of petition heads have them made immediately. By January 6th we should have 100,000 voters' names, 100,000 women's names and 200,000 children's names sent in to the State President, Culla J. Vayhinger, Upland, Ind.

How many will work?

Now is the time for every person who really wants to help to go to work.

This resolution means that the question of the change in the constitution of our State prohibiting the manufacture and sale of liquors shall be submitted to the vote of the people. It does not mean any more. It is not asking this Legislature to change the constitution, simply to submit the question of the change to the decision of the people of the State.

WHAT IS THE PRICE?

What is the price of the boy who stands

Noble and fair as a god of old,
Reaching to life his innocent hands,
Dreaming the dream that lips never told?

What is his price, kind father, say?

What is his price, fond mother, I pray?

But the rumseller says, "To make him my prey,
I bid one thousand dollars."

What is the price of the daughter who leans

On the arm which supports her, noble and fair,
A being of beauty, one of earth's queens,
Pure as a lily, glorious and rare,

What is her price? Oh, ask of thy heart,

Parents who love her, whoever thou art!

But the rumseller says, "For her in my mart,
I bid one thousand dollars." —Selected.

Hon. Seaborn Wright, of Georgia, has been engaged by our W. C. T. U. Legislative Committee to deliver one of his matchless addresses in Indianapolis on January 15th, at a great mass meeting. Mr. Wright is a brilliant orator and a mighty power for prohibition in his own state. He is the one man of Georgia who, more than any other, helped to secure state-wide prohibition. Temperance people, come and hear him. Decide now to spend January 15th in Indianapolis, and to hear Hon. Seaborn Wright in one of his matchless addresses. The Legislature will be invited to hear him. Come!

WOMEN OF MARION

Are to be Organized for Purpose of Demanding Suffrage.

Marion women, who are interested in the question of woman's suffrage, are just now in a movement to bring the matter before the General Assembly next month, have agitated the organization in Marion of a Woman's Suffrage society for the promotion of equal suffrage. This is in keeping with a movement spreading over the state and resulting in the organization of many such societies and bringing the forces of woman's suffrage into a closer and stronger combination than ever in the past.

The culmination of the present movement of agitation and organization will be the furthering of the movement planned to petition the General Assembly to pass a law giving women the right to vote. It is proposed to hand a little budget to the Legislators and Senators of the State containing names of half a million Hoosier women who want to cast their vote just like their husbands, brothers, fathers and sons.

All Indiana High School students are interested

in the State Legislature. Classes from many schools visit the Legislature, chaperoned by teachers. This year it would be interesting to the students, and also help our cause, if they would be in attendance at the Legislature while our Resolution is pending.

Why can not such an arrangement be made?

We hope that hundreds, yes, thousands of the temperance people will spend a day in the Legislature. The influence of such presence cannot be overestimated. Those within sixty miles of Indianapolis can come and spend the day. Others can come and secure board at very reasonable rates and stay over night. The Linden Hotel, on North Illinois street, is about three squares from the State House. Comfortable rooms at 75 cents and \$1.00 per day.

Temperance men and temperance women, please arrange to visit the Legislature. Come in a party of ten, if possible; if not, come anyhow.

Everywhere hold mass meetings during the first half of January. Get good speakers, announce and advertise. Get the school children to sing in great choruses—hundreds of children. Have them meet at a certain place and march through the streets to the place of the meeting. They can all sing "Onward Christian Soldier!" Teach them to sing "Under the Star Spangled Banner," the "Crusade Glory Song," and "Saloons Must Go!"

At the close of the address, get a vote of the audience against the repeal of the Local Option law and favoring the passage of the Resolution for constitutional amendment for prohibition.

Some Unions can arrange such meetings in several different places.

Many such meetings should be held in every county.

To make the public meeting a success, secure the co-operation of all the friendly organizations. Usually a "hurry-up" mass meeting if arranged by representatives of many societies is a success.

Legislative success will depend upon the circulating of the petitions, and the holding of public meetings.

Defer all other work until after this work of such great importance is done.

Every earnest temperance woman and man should now determine to get one hundred names on a petition. Begin without delay!

PURITY.

Dear Sisters:

Many letters have been received asking for literature on Proportionate and Systematic Giving. My work has been changed so that now I am Superintendent of Purity. Mrs. Ella Heartly, of Fountain City, was given the department of Proportionate and Systematic Giving. I have written to the National Superintendent of Purity for Plan

of Work. When it is received I shall be able to inform each county. I hope Superintendents will be appointed in each county that efficient work may be done along the all-important line of purity. Please remember that it is only the pure in heart that shall see God. The W. C. T. U. of Anderson is increasing in interest; some new members. Petitions being signed for state-wide prohibition.

A reception was given in honor of our retiring President, Mrs. W. Leib. Words of appreciation and thankfulness for the foundation that has been laid in the work of the W. C. T. U. Mrs. Rev. Grafton, wife of the Christian minister, portrayed most fittingly the responsibility of motherhood. Refreshments were served and the social hour was most pleasantly spent. Our beloved State President will address the Men's League (this will be an open meeting) January 3rd. January 4th a parlor meeting in the parlors of the Christian church. We are expecting a wonderful uplift which the inspiration of her queenly presence will give.

Very Truly, Mrs. Tilman Hobson,
State Supt., also County, of Purity.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP.

Dear Superintendents:

Before you read this notice in January's Message, I hope to have in your possession my Plan of Work for this year, which has been received from the State President, and I hope to send them forth very soon on their mission, hoping the message they contain may be an inspiration to you. I am sorry to note only sixteen counties have Superintendents of this department for this year, when it is so important that this work be carried on in Indiana as never before. I especially wish to impress upon County and Local Presidents to either appoint Superintendents of this department or at least see that the work is done. The following quotations from a department leaflet by Lucia Faxon Addison have helped me. I pass it on:

Christian Citizenship is the "star of hope" which is leading the way to the manger where the new civic conscience is to be born; ye must be born again, is true of a nation as it is true of an individual.

Christian Citizenship—"The work outlined in this department would bring the two words of its title into living relations, and so mould Christian public sentiment that town, city, county, state and nation may know and practice righteousness that exalteth a nation."

"Christian Citizenship is more than reform; it is regeneration. It pertains not merely to politics, but to everything which has to do with man's relation to his fellows, his government, and his God. Sociology, civics, economics, and all moral reforms are but departments of thought and works."

"Every citizen should regard a social sin, though sanctified by law, so far his own as to feel that renouncing it for righteousness to the extent of his voice, vote and entire life, is a part of his own regeneration. Christian Citizenship does not mean the joining of church and state, but rather the union of the church to save the state."

"Then all hail every effort toward an operative Christian Citizenship; every effort toward building up a patriotism founded on the solid rock of Christ. All hail the day when Christian America no longer keeps silent, but shall cry aloud and spare not. Then poverty, disease and crime shall be no longer rampant. All hail the day when all government—civic, social, industrial—shall be obedient to the voice and bidding of Jesus Christ. All hail the day when Christians shall unite in one grand, aggressive, harmonious action toward replacing political corruption by political righteousness."

Yours for success,

GERTRUDE FULTON,
State Supt., 422 E. Main St., Portland, Ind.

Dear Editor Message:

The Local Programs, given in State Minutes, seem to be working splendidly. I have sent out nearly half a hundred parcels of literature for the Peace Meetings—Indiana in December—and I believe they will all be good meetings.

We need to be aroused, too, if the next Congress is to be confronted with the proposition to turn us into a military nation by the establishment of an organized militia. Let women study the question.

May I say, through The Message, to those who have asked the price of literature sent out, that every parcel sent has cost at least six cents, and if those who have not prepaid will send that sum, it will be O. K. several sent with the order, but this will make all right. With thanks for all your kindness.

Yours,

H. LAVINIA BAILY,
State Supt. Peace and Arbitration, Richmond, Ind.

Get Signatures to petitions. One hundred thousand voters' names and addresses! This will, no doubt, secure the passage of a resolution by this Legislature granting the people of Indiana the privilege of deciding if they do or do not want state-wide prohibition by constitutional amendment.

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Visit the Legislature.. Time will be well spent in an effort to get information concerning Legislative methods in Indiana.

Our Sabbath Laws in Indiana must not be weakened. Much literature is being circulated by certain enemies of a rest day law. Christians must not be idle, but aggressively at work for the Sabbath day.

Why do our taxpayers not require auditors for all county funds? Why is there not a uniform method of bookkeeping in the counties of the State? In Indiana there should be real, practical auditing done wherever public funds are handled. Honest treasurers desire the people to know how their money is spent. A uniform method of bookkeeping for county offices in the State would enable a comparison of expenditures, etc., that would be interesting. The collecting of taxes from corporations and from all persons alike would make a great increase in revenues in some counties. The collection of delinquent taxes should be urged.. In the State of Georgia reform in the collection of taxes has greatly increased the revenue, so that the school fund has been more than two hundred thousand dollars in excess of last year, notwithstanding the decrease in school income from the saloon licenses after prohibition went into effect.

PUSH LOCAL OPTION.

We recognize the ultimate inefficiency of any plan for the overthrow of the liquor traffic short of state-wide, nation-wide prohibition. We all believe that an evil thing should not have a plan or option by which it may be established under protection of law for two years, for one year, or for a single day.

That a giant of power and mighty resources should grow up among us and demand right to live and feed upon human weakness, drink women's tears, and laugh at the pleading prayers of helpless children, is a shame which should arouse all the manhood and Christian chivalry of a brave people to a determined fight and victory over this cannibal.

Politicians fear him. Only the people in their wrath can compel the cowards to the front. Again, demands will be made for repeal of such a mean thing as local option, because, forsooth, it has in it a little trouble and of sentiment crystallization against the liquor traffic.

Nothing but heroic work for local option can press the issue of state-wide prohibition. We must work for state-wide prohibition by using the means at hand. The public is generous to reward honest industry. Let us press the local option fight, and show the blind politician that the people will not tolerate any backward step.

Mrs. M. A. McCurdy, of 225 South Tenth Street, Richmond, is our able new State Organizer for colored people. Mrs. McCurdy is a woman of experience and information, having served as State Corresponding Secretary for the Georgia W. C. T. U. No. 2, a strong organization of colored women.

With experience, enthusiasm and splendid ability, she now is a factor in our State Organization. At Bedford Mrs. McCurdy organized a W. C. T. U. after the close of our State Convention.

Mrs. Eva Larter is the President, with Mrs. Solomon Wayne as Secretary. In honor of the Organizer, the new Union is called The Bedford McCurdy. County Presidents should arrange for work for this good organizer. Mrs. McCurdy has calls for organization to many important places in our State. Everywhere our W. C. T. U. people will give her a welcome and cordial support, and if permitted to address the colored people she will organize a Union. This is important!

FLOWER MISSIONS.

Dear Superintendents, both County and Local—As we have, I trust are this, all been advised of the good news from our National Convention, that of Indiana having taken both first and second prizes for having the best Flower Mission report. This was certainly grand and glorious news to all. And let us count this a divine blessing to all in this our beloved Flower Mission Department.

And, dear sisters, may this reward we have re-

ceived from our National Superintendent be an inspiration to all White Ribbon Sisters to lend a hand in this noble work for the Master. Let us remember that work done last year will not answer for this year. Our mission is indeed one of mercy and love. There are thousands of aching hearts and ruined homes; ruined, many of them, by the curse of rum. Let us not falter; be not weary in well-doing; but go forth with a helping hand ever ready to sow seeds of hope in the gardens of despondency, and send rays of sunshine to warm the chilly blasts of sickness and sorrow, and bring forth blossoms of joy and gladness. This is surely a noble mission; one which exemplifies the life of its lovely planner, Miss Jennie Casseday. "O, the good we all may do while the days are going by, and we can all share in the glory of Doing."

If there are any who have not received the Plan of Work, send me a postal and I will send one by return mail. Remember our two prizes consist of literature and text cards, and any Local or County Superintendent can have copies if you will write me what you want. I also have report blanks ready for this year's work. Remember, every flower or gift should always have the text card and white ribbon attached. Let every Local Superintendent strive to have a special floral fund; hold a contest for this purpose, and in this way you can accomplish much good in helping to create temperance sentiment. I ask each County and Local Superintendent to write me, if only a postal, with your name and address.

Wishing one and all a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year, I am

Lovingly yours,

VIOLA R. HARVEY,

State Supt., Mooresville, Ind., Box 62

MATRONS SILVER MEDAL CONTEST AT SHELTON.

Thursday evening, November 5th, about fifty of the Ossian people took the car for Sheldon to be present at the Silver Medal contest given at that place by the Ossian W. C. T. U.

The contestants were Mesdames Lulu Hoopen-gardner, Lillian Bash, J. V. Allen, Pearl Rector and Carrie Martin. The contest was a close one, and each contestant is worthy of special mention. Mrs. Pearl Rector received the medal.

Mrs. George Glass and the Misses Inez Gorrell, Gee Milliken, Orpha Bailey, Eva Kline, Opal Quackenbush and Ilo Elzey accompanied the party and furnished excellent music, which was much appreciated by all present.

Miss Myrtle Martin entertained the audience while the judges were busy, with several of her excellent recitations. Miss Martin is an artist in this line and never fails to please those who hear her.

The contest was held in the M. E. church, and no admission fee was charged. A good collection was received at the close of the meeting.

Mrs. Louise Hunter, County Supt.

Mrs. Laura Gorrell, Press Supt.

MRS. STANLEY'S NOTE BOOK.

Dear Sisters:

Once more let me ask you when making dates for me to please state time and place desired, giving one or more dates which you can use, for often when I write and offer certain dates they are taken by next mail; and besides I could save much railroad fare for you if I might plan several dates together.

I have had thirty-four good audiences since convention; secured sixty-six new members; organized one new Union, and everywhere find people anxious to help our state-wide prohibition plan. In circulating the children's petition, I find the teachers do valient service, and let us be satisfied with nothing short of 100,000 names on our petitions when our General Assembly convenes. This means a holiday hustle—gest busy today.

Yours for state-wide prohibition in 1909,

ELIZABETH T. STANLEY.

At the meeting of the Mississippi Valley Medical Association an interesting paper of the final session was that of Dr. T. D. Crothers, Superintendent of the Walnut Lodge Hospital, Hartford, Conn. The doctor contended that inebriety was a far more fatal disease than consumption, and was more general. The so-called moderate use of spirits by diminishing the vitality and lowering the resisting power of nature, he said, was an active cause of consumption and typhoid fever and was accountable for 80 per cent. of all cases of pneumonia. In fact there was no disease known, and no surgical operation performed, that was not influenced and made worse by spirits. The whole alcoholic problem he continued, was a physical one, the result of disease controlled by laws which move with the same exactness and certainty as any other operation in nature. He said the present efforts of laymen and societies to correct and prevent this evil as a moral one was a sad reflection on the stupidity of the medical profession.

W. C. T. U. NORMAL INSTITUTES.

Dear County Presidents:

When this letter comes to you, we shall have left behind us 1908, with all its joys and sorrows, its victories and defeats, and shall have entered the portals of 1909, which comes to us full of opportunities for aggressive work. Lovingly and sincerely do I wish each and all of you a very "Happy New Year," and pray that God's richest blessings may crown your efforts for His cause. Through the month of December I have looked

for your letters locating your spring institutes, but only a very few have reached me. Please read carefully "Indiana's Plan," on page 84 of the new Minutes, and which you can procure from our State Treasurer, Miss Clara Sears. Here you will find full directions regarding leaders, finance and other matters you need to learn about. Please let me hear from you at once where you will hold your Institute. As the schedule must be published in February Message, dear Sisters, may I not ask you each and all to heartily co-operate with me in this work, that we may make the Institute season of 1909 the greatest Indiana has ever known. With an increase of 1,522 members since last spring, we ought to hold at least 60 Institutes, and make them a mighty factor in winning the 3,000 new members we are working for this year. Those of you who were present at the Bedford Convention will remember our dear State President urged greater activity and earnestness in department work, and, in my judgment, there is no time or place which gives to the County President such opportunities for development along this line as does the Institute, where she comes face to face and heart to heart with the most earnest workers in her county. Again, I would like to remind you of the great mission which this department has in reaching the masses, and this year when we are working for state-wide prohibition, for a membership in Indiana of 10,000, and for the organization of our young people, we must reach those who have not thought much of the principles for which we stand; those who are indifferent toward them; yes, and those who stand opposed to us. This year will you all please accept dates and leaders as scheduled as far as you possibly can, that time, strength and money may be saved in the work?

Make plans for an Institute of one and one-half days, including two night meetings, holding medal contest on one night with small admission fee to defray expense of Institute.

2. Appoint County Superintendent of Institutes to work with County President in making plans.

3. Send notices throughout the county to the pastors of churches and superintendents of Sunday schools, inviting the people to attend and take part. Send copies of programs with notice.

4. If possible, serve lunch at church on first day of Institute, inviting ministers and their wives, school superintendents and wives, doctors and wives, all school teachers, and others whom you wish to interest, to be guests of the Union, and make the hour social in the best sense.

5. Remember that where the Institute is held on Monday and Tuesday, Wednesday may be used in your county in any way which will best help the work. Bear in mind, in making plans for this day, that the Leader must be at the next point on Thursday morning by 10 o'clock.

6. Where Institute is held on Thursday and Friday, the Leader is to be used for Sabbath services. Where it is not possible to pay her the \$3.00 for one or \$5.00 for two services, a free-will offering to be taken for the Institute fund. These Sabbath services are important, sisters. Make the most of them.

7. In counties where it is not possible to hold an Institute, make plans for the Leader of your section to visit your county on the dates scheduled, making dates for her at different points for lectures or organizing as may best serve you.

Let me hear from you at once, stating where you will hold your Institute; or if this is not possible, write me that you will be on the schedule for 1909 and thus do your part toward making the sixty Institutes we must hold. Write me for any information or help and I shall be glad to give it if I can.

Lovingly yours,

Rose Pearce, State Supt. Institutes.

Cayuga, Indiana.

DEPARTMENT OF PURITY IN LITERATURE AND ART.

Dear Co-Workers:

During the first few days of December I mailed to every Local Superintendent in the State copies of the Plan of Work for this department, also samples of four different kinds of literature on this subject, and to all County Presidents a double portion. I mailed to Presidents because I had no way of knowing who the Local Superintendents were, and I was very anxious to reach each Union, hoping that though this department was neglected throughout the county, that some Local Union would feel inclined to work in this important department; thus giving some report from each county.

I sincerely hope that if there is no Superintendent of this department in your Union that each President will see the importance of the work and that a Superintendent will be appointed, and that the President will make use of the monthly report blank until some one else is appointed for the place.

I want to again call your attention to the importance of reporting. No difference how small the report is, be sure to send it.

I will be glad to hear from each Union during the next few weeks, telling me that you are pushing this work in your place. It would make me feel that through the year much would be accomplished. Let us all work together with confidence that we will be able to do much—when so much needs to be done.

Yours for success,

ELNORA G. MCNAUGHTON,

State Supt., Box 94, Ray, Ind.

THE MESSAGE

SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE.

Dear Superintendents:

I am very much pleased to hear that so many are planning for teachers' receptions and prize essay contests. Before this reaches you, you will have received my Plan of Work and samples of literature. I am very sorry to be some later than last year, but the delay is on account of our National Superintendent's long absence from her home, which made it quite impossible to get my literature from her. But I hope and am quite sure you have not been idle while waiting.

Among my samples I am sending a Teachers' Total Abstinence card, which is a new feature of our department, and I feel sure it is a good one, and I hope you will work earnestly with it. The greatest number of signers to this pledge will be one of the conditions on which the pennant will be awarded this year. They may be had of Mrs. Edith Smith-Davis, 561 33rd Street, Milwaukee, Wis. The sale price is twenty cents per hundred, but she informs me that if Unions are not able to pay for them she will furnish them free to those who will use them. So there is nothing to prevent us from having them. These are to be signed and returned to me, and I will return them to her.

Yours for Success,

ETHEL E. BAIR,
State Supt., North Liberty.

FAIRS AND OPEN AIR MEETINGS.

To County Presidents:

It is quite difficult for me in a different locality, to make definite plans for your work in Fair and Open Air meetings. I was more thoroughly convinced of this fact after having received reports from last year's work. I had some good reports from localities working their own plans.

Therefore, I trust if you have not Superintendents of this department, you will appoint some good, energetic woman at once that plans may be made and everything ready so much can be done "ere" the year has closed.

This is an excellent field for reaching the people, and I hope that we will all make good our opportunities. Begin now to prepare for the summer's work.

I am planning to have a tent with sufficient room to hold department meetings afternoons; also to have some good speakers with us during our State Fair. Always distribute good literature along our lines of work.

Last year counties having no fairs, sent good reports of open air meetings, especially (I remember just now) Floyd county.

I would be delighted to have any Superintendent of Press write in regard to the work. If I can help you in any way I will gladly do so. I beg of you to help me do the work, that we may have something to report when we come to our convention next fall.

Lovingly yours, for services,

MRS. LIZZIE HEATH,
State Supt. of Fair and Open Air Meetings.
310 E. Walnut Street, Indianapolis.

PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

Comrades of Peace:

It is cheering to have requests for literature preparatory to peace day meetings, coming in, and I hope many successful meetings will be held between this time and New Year's Day of 1909. Please report them, and I will try to report the reports to you through The Message. Now as to the financial side of this: The literature needed is most worthy, at very moderate rates, from six to 8 or 10 cents, and wrapping and postage also cost. Some have written: "Tell me the price and I will remit." To simplify, suppose those who send, enclose ten cents, which pays "cost and carriage" on "Grotius" and "The Christ of the Andes," with two or three programs or leaflets added, and saves time and postage on exchange of letters about the price. This is suggested for economy of resources.

We have a few varieties of good leaflets on hand; expect soon to have others printed. Circulate all you can. Keep wall-pockets supplied where they are allowed. Especially get subscribers to the Message of Peace; inexpensive and up-to-date. There should be at least one copy in every Local Union, and every County Superintendent should have a copy. Only twenty-five cents a year.

Now I suggest an additional topic for meetings and for study this year: "Esperanto; its History, and Value as an Aid to Peace."

Yours for a peaceful year,

H. LAVINIA BAILY, Superintendent.

FIELD NEWS

The people of Bedford wish to say to the delegates who attended the State Convention, that the pleasure and influence of their presence in our city and in our homes can never be expressed in words. Our Local Union was greatly benefitted; old members are working with renewed enthusiasm, and many new ones have been added to our roll. From all sides is heard praise and admiration for the noble band of women who are working so unselfishly for the uplifting of our state and country.

New Albany Union is in good condition, and at the King's business. We have held a Matrons' and a Fathers' contest this year and others forth-

coming. We are about to open a "county store," the proceeds to help pay off the debt on our headquarters. Will some one please pass the basket?

Mrs. Adda Lobach, Press Supt.

The Gosport W. C. T. U. gave a reception at the Baptist church Thursday evening, Nov. 12, in honor of our teachers and Board of Trustees. An excellent program was given, consisting of a paper, readings and music. We believe those present went away with a stronger conviction that the W. C. T. U. will live and battle as long as there is impurity and intemperance to fight. Also, the W. C. T. U. of Gosport met at the school building Wednesday afternoon, November 25th, and presented to the High School a beautiful picture of our beloved Frances E. Willard. Short but appropriate exercises were given.

Lula S. Wampler, Secretary.

The Mooresville and Brooklyn W. C. T. U. have been uniting in their work, and both feel encouraged. A very successful meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Mark Adams, November 24th, in Mooresville, and a fine program was rendered, after which refreshments were served.

Bessie M. Chapman.

Indianapolis North East Union held its quarterly business meeting with a good attendance. Splendid reports were heard from Sunday School work, Medal Contest, Literature and Sabbath Observance. This Union has made a beautiful new quilt, which is full of names, and among them are those of the County officers the first year Mrs. Martha Gipe was County President. Also, several of the State officers' names. The quilt will be presented next Wednesday afternoon, December 30th, at the home of the President, Mrs. Cora Patton, 534 E. Michigan St. The meeting will be a reception for our ministers. A special program is being arranged for the meeting. This Union held a public evening meeting in the Christian church, corner 17th St. and Martindale Ave. Mrs. Frances Boyer gave her report from the National Convention, which was very good and greatly enjoyed by every one. "The Invincibles" sang a number of cheering temperance songs. Mrs. Felix T. McWhirter sponged on "Why Every Woman Should Belong to the W. C. T. U." Mr. Will Thatcher sang will feeling and responded to an encore. Mr. Stoddard, Mr. F. T. McWhirter and Rev. Brown, pastor of the church, all spoke briefly on the need of action among temperance people. The meeting did much good for the North East Union, created public sentiment, and we are cordially invited back to this pretty church in the early part of year for another meeting. A Silver Medal contest was recently held by this Union, in charge of Mrs. Cora Harper. The County President, Mrs. Kinser, won the medal.

The Brightwood W. C. T. U. entertained with a Fathers' and Mothers' meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mulholland, Station St., on Thursday evening, the three ministers and their families being special guests. The rooms were tastefully decorated, emblematic of the W. C. T. U. and appropriate to the Christmas season. A choice program was rendered, including piano selection, Lois Ruth; reading, Reba Mulholland; piano duet, Reba Mulholland and Cecil Reed; dialogue, Mr. and Mrs. Ruth, Mrs. Kinser, Mrs. Mulholland, Mrs. Saylor, Mrs. Rash and LaRoy Engle; reading, Mrs. Grace Engle; piano selection, Lois Ruth; reading, Mrs. Nellie Brown; reading, Mr. Ruth; reading, Cecil Reed; piano selection, Reba Mulholland. After the program refreshments were served. The meeting was quite a demonstration of the strength and activity of the Local Union, about seventy-five persons being present. The evening closed with remarks by Rev. Bolster and Rev. Grannis. The Union has rented a room and have it furnished, where all meetings are held. A Junior and Senior L. T. L. each meet each week; they have a membership of sixty or more. There were held last quarter three public meetings, with good speakers; one silver medal contest; four new members added, and much activity on the part of all.

Mrs. Kinser.

The Sycamore W. C. T. U. gave a reception for the teachers and the trustees of Jackson township, Friday, December 11, 1908. The reception was held at the beautiful country home of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Allen, one mile south of Sycamore.

Eight of the nine teachers of the township, also the trustee, were present and enjoyed the hospitality of our W. C. T. U. A short literary program was rendered, after which a social hour was enjoyed, during which time refreshments were served. The interest in our work is growing, and we expect to add several new names to our list soon. A pleasant surprise was given Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Windsor, of Sycamore, Tuesday evening, December 8th, by the ladies of the W. C. T. U. and their families. It was in the nature of a farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Windsor, who leave the early part of the month to spend the remainder of the winter in California. Refreshments of fruit and candy were served, and all departed at a late hour wishing Mr. and Mrs. Windsor a happy journey and safe return.

Elsie Moss, Press Reporter.

Albany W. C. T. U. held a pleasant and profitable meeting at the home of Mrs. Dr. Powers, Friday afternoon, December 11th. Mrs. S. M. Stahl, State Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, also our delegate to the National Convention at Denver, Colo., was present and addressed the Union on the subject of her work. It was a heart to heart talk with the ladies, and much good is expected therefrom. An evening meeting was held in the Christian church at 7:30 o'clock, at which time

Mrs. Stahl gave an excellent report of the National Convention, recently held in Denver. After a beautiful description of the convention place, Mrs. Stahl, in her interesting way, told something of each session held, from beginning to close of the most wonderful convention ever held in the United States. At the close of her report, Mrs. Stahl made an earnest appeal for new members, only three responding, due to special services being held in the M. E. church and small attendance at our meeting.

The Waterloo W. C. T. U. closed a three weeks' membership contest and gave a reception for seventeen new members at the home of Mrs. Sabina Beidler, on the evening of December 14th. Light refreshments were served and an interesting program carried out, including songs from the W. C. T. U. Song Card, a welcome address by Rev. Biven, instrumental solo by Sabina Beidler, and a recitation by Mrs. A. L. Moudy. We have increased our membership from 22 to 39; more than our portion to make the 10,000 mark for 1909.

Mrs. A. L. Moudy, Secretary.

Wabash—Mrs. Ridgeway, our alternate delegate to the National Convention, came to the South Wabash Union last Monday afternoon and gave us her report. It was well received and we rejoice in so much that is good and encouraging.

Mary E. King.

Laporte Union—All were well pleased with the luncheon served by the ladies on November 14th. It was a success both socially and financially. The members are thinking of having a supper in the near future. They have been solicited by their friends to do so. November 11th was house-cleaning time. Seven of the ladies met and gave the W. C. T. U. rooms a thorough cleaning.

Mrs. Seth Pease, Press Supt.

Meridian W. C. T. U. met Wednesday afternoon December 9th, at the home of Mrs. Gipe. The meeting was largely attended and ten new members gained. Much enthusiasm and interest was manifested. Mrs. Alice Graydon, of the Juvenile Court, presented the work and needs of the court. It is hoped that from the membership of the Union some will feel the needs and respond as a probation officer. Though there are 300 volunteer probation officers, more are needed. The work is one of interest to all with a love in their heart for unfortunate children. One is made better with a close association with these boys and girls, who are less fortunate in their surroundings. In most cases all offenders can trace their trouble to drink, directly or indirectly. The programs for the ensuing year were distributed and were greatly appreciated, as more and better work is planned for this year. Two meetings a month are provided for. One of these meetings, the first Wednesday of each month, as a guest day at the home of a member, and the third Wednesday in the Central Avenue M. E. church. All cordially invited. The hostess and committee served dainty refreshments after which the meeting adjourned. January 6th meeting at the home of Mrs. Julia Morgan, 2029 Broadway.

The Gas City W. C. T. U. has 38 active and ten honorary members. A short time before the election we held a mass meeting at the Christian church, which was well attended. Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson gave the address, and the County President, Mrs. Shugart, assisted on the program. The quartet sang some appropriate songs. Fourteen new members were added to the Union, six active and eight honorary. On election day three women went early in the morning to watch the saloons, and finding one open, the owner was arrested. The rest soon learned the situation and closed up, reporting that there were fifty women out. Some of the members have held two meetings recently at the County Infirmary, and one at the jail. Some of the prisoners at the jail were moved to tears when the quartet sang "No One Knows But Mother." The Union meetings are held twice a month in alphabetical rotation at the homes of the members. One of our former honorary members, Prof. Homer G. Biddlecome, now of Oskaloosa, Iowa, has been elected State President of the Intercollegiate Association of the Young Men's Prohibition League of Iowa. Our Union entertained the Grant County Institute last spring, which was the largest ever held in the county.

South Wabash W. C. T. U.—Our Union has suffered an irreparable loss in the going of our beloved President, Mrs. Mary Renger, to her heavenly home. She was indeed a friend to everybody, ministering to the physical and spiritual needs. The entire community mourns her loss. Our Father has promised to supply all our needs, and I think the article on Presidents in the last Message will help us. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to the sorely bereaved husband, and son and wife. Our dear Mrs. Margaret Ross, always so faithful at our meetings, left last week to spend the winter in Texas. We hope for her return in the spring.

Yours with love,

Mary E. King.

Anniversary Exercises—The Angola W. C. T. U. observed its twenty-fifth anniversary on Thursday, December 5th, at the M. E. church. The attendance was such as to assure us that interest in temperance was on the increase. From Ray, Fremont and Pleasant Lake Unions our friends came in considerable numbers. We thank them for the pleasure and encouragement their presence gave us. The music was in the hands of Mrs. E. C. Green and Miss Bakestraw. Miss Bratton and Miss Hauselman sang "Rock of Ages," Mrs. Marion Hetzler led the audience in singing the temperance version of the "Glory Song," the audience joining in the chorus; the Crusade Psalm

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was read by the President, Mrs. Ardella Gibson, and prayer was offered by Mrs. C. E. Woodhull; The Crusade Hymn was sang by the audience; the "Story of the Crusade," by Mrs. L. M. Sniff; "The History of Angola Union," by Mrs. W. W. Wyrick; "Our Promoted Members," by Mrs. Villa Lewis, and a chorus of 100 children, under the management of Mrs. W. O. Bailey, closed the program. At the request of the ministers present, Rev. M. S. Marble expressed their appreciation of the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. At night Hon. Oliver W. Stewart addressed a large and interested audience at the opera house. At the close \$12.00 were subscribed to a fund to carry on the fight against the liquor business. The last saloon in Steuben county closed at 11 o'clock that night. May the Lord give us strength and courage to keep them out.

The Keystone Union met at the home of the President, Mrs. Black. A very enthusiastic meeting was held and plans discussed for increasing the membership, with a full determination to do more and better work this year than last. The Union was divided and a contest for members began; both Unions to report at the annual meeting in December. The officers for this year are: President, Mrs. Sabina Black; Vice-President, Mrs. Mary Baker; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Ella Bennett; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Lena Lincoln; Treasurer, Mrs. Amy Poulson.

Johanna S. Marsh, Press Supt.

Bright—On World's Temperance Sunday, November 29th, our Local Union held a public service in the M. E. church, Mrs. Gibson, County President, presiding. We were most fortunate in securing Mrs. Gertrude Fulton, of Portland, Ind., to address us. Her presence was an inspiration, and her talk was interesting and instructive, and held the audience spellbound for more than an hour. Little Gladys Gibson gave a recitation, "Her Dream"; Charles Heiskell recited "The South is Going Dry"; The Senior L. T. L. sang several appropriate songs; a free will offering was taken. These public meetings help to build up the cause of temperance, and thus to bind together in closer and stronger bonds the W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Hattie Jackson.

The Orinoco Union, Bartholomew County, is a busy bee, so busy we have not had time to send in our usual message. Since the election we have held two regular monthly meetings, one public meeting, two contests, one silver, one gold; had a ten-cent luncheon and program December 10th; had another gold medal contest December 11th; have been called on to hold a contest at some place December 18th; have a Mothers' meeting billed for December 20th, when our State Vice-President will be with us. We held such an enthusiastic contest at one place that we have been asked to return. We secured every legal voter on our local option petition, and every man, woman and child on our petitions. Our newspapers are still with us, publish our columns and give good reports of our meetings, thus bringing our work before the public. We are the first temperance organization to take up local option work, and we have faith that it will be a success. We work on the promise "If God be for us, who can be against us?"

Bridella Beam, Press Supt.

Westfield—Our membership now is sixty-five. We are fully organized, with efficient President, and Superintendents of Departments. We expect to do better work this year than ever before. Our delegates attended the State Convention and on their return gave an echo meeting at the home of Rev. Hocker, which was well attended. About one-fourth of our members take the Union Signal, and all read the Message. We are doing our best to help raise the state membership to 10,000. A new member is usually added to our list at each meeting. We will carry out the State Plan of Work as near as possible. We have our petitions in circulation for women and children; individually we will encourage the local option efforts to gain a dry county. Our next County Convention will be at Atlanta, to which Westfield will send a large delegation.

Yours for the work,

Ella Briles, Press Supt.

The Cold Springs Woman's Christian Temperance Union spent the day at the home of Mrs. Margaret Cartwright. The program was very interesting and all present enjoyed a good time. The next meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held at the home of Mrs. Flora Walker, Tuesday, December 3rd. Mrs. Maggie Gibson, County President, was present and gave a very interesting report of the State Convention; Mrs. Mabel Thoroman sang, as a solo, "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me!" Each one felt that it was good for her to be there and left with renewed enthusiasm for the work of the coming year.

Mrs. Bennie M. Evans, Press Supt.

Bath W. C. T. U. held a public meeting in Bath M. E. church Sunday evening, October 25th. The meeting was opened by President Mrs. Daisy Dare. Mrs. Lida Farr, Evangelistic Superintendent, took charge of the meeting; Mrs. Allie Burdsall gave a reading; Mrs. Dan Harbine a solo; a poem entitled "A Stray Sunbeam" was read by Mrs. Mary McCarty; reports of the State Convention held at Bedford, were read by Mrs. Laura Myers and Mrs. Mary Bourne, and were excellent; Mrs. Margaret Smith and Mrs. Crawley then sang a duet. This was a very interesting and enjoyable meeting.

Mrs. McCarty.

Eaton—On November 15th about forty of the Eaton W. C. T. U. members and their friends went to Shideler and held a meeting. A good program had been prepared in which a number of children

recited selection committed in contest work. At the close Mrs. Lou O. Fisher explained the organization work, scope and aim of the W. C. T. U., and called for members to organize a Local Union. Twelve active and three honorary members responded. On Wednesday of the week following Mesdames Orr, Carmichael and Fisher went and organized a Union, with Mrs. Emma Groves President, and Miss Hattie Lewellen Corresponding Secretary.

Spencer, Ind.—Our Matrons' contest was held December 5th; six matrons took part, some of whom were mothers. It was said to have been the best we have ever had in Spencer; the different churches furnished the music, except the last piece, our national hymn, "Under the Star Spangled Banner." We had one hundred copies scattered through the audience and all sang heartily. All the contestants did well; they gave the men something to study about, to say the least of it. Mrs. Maude Hill, of Carp Union, won the medal. Our county organized another Union December 6th among the colored people of Spencer, Ind. They want Mrs. McCurdy to come to them as soon as possible.

Mrs. Florence Lawson, Corresponding Secretary Spencer Co. W. C. T. U.

Mrs. George Augustin gave the Madison Union a report of the National Convention on Sunday afternoon, November 22nd, in Trinity church. Her description was so vivid that we really felt we had attended the great convention. Madison Union also entertained the city school teachers November 30th with a "White Ribbon Social," at the Vine Street Baptist church, from 4 to 6 p. m. Program was as follows: Invocation, Rev. Hanger; welcome, Mrs. Augustine; response, Rev. Jessup; trio, "The Magic Flute," Mesdames Denny, Scott tSanton; "How the Teacher Can Help the W. C. T. U.," Mrs. Keeney; reading, "The Madonna," Mrs. Benson; "Our National Interest," Miss Dietz. After the program, the young ladies of the W. C. T. U. served a dainty supper.

Mrs. G. E. Denny.



MRS. GEO. W. AUGUSTINE,

President of Jefferson County, who has done so much to bring Jefferson County up to the standard in that she was able to carry off the pennants in three departments this year. She was a delegate to the National Convention at Denver, Col.

In Jay County, Indiana, 3,005 women pay taxes. If it is an average county, over 280,000 taxpayers in the state have no representation and no voice whatever in the management of public funds, to which they are compelled to contribute. It would be interesting to know how many paupers, idlers, drunkards, floaters and repeaters have a voice in the disposal of public funds by way of the ballot. No! Taxation without representation has been a battle cry of this nation, but old-time righteousness and justice has been almost obliterated at the present time.

Gertrude Q. Campbell.

The Eaton Union is the first one to adopt and work the Mission Station Plan. On November 15th the members of Eaton went to Shideler and organized a Union of twelve active and three honorary members. They went to work immediately and are sure, with such a mother as the Eaton Union, will grow rapidly, and we shall hear from them often. Mrs. Lou Fisher attended the State Convention, went home, held a public meeting, at which she gave her report, took in thirty new members, and they have taken in eight more since that, and are now in a membership contest. They held a reception for their new members and school teachers, and presented a picture of Miss Willard to the high school. Hurrah, for Eaton! Go thou and do likewise.

C. J. Vayhinger.

The Willis Union, of Mt. Zion, Wells County, met in regular session on the afternoon of December 16th. Few were in attendance, yet a friendly spirit prevailed. The Indiana Crusade Pledges were distributed, on which each member pledges themselves, 1st, to wear the white ribbon faithfully; 2nd, to pray at noontide for state-wide prohibition, and 3rd, to secure one new member, collecting her dues, in this present quarter. May the good work go on. Saturday night, January 2nd, 1909, we will hear our beloved County President, Mrs. E. A. Willis, on "Echoes from the National Convention at Denver, Col." Every one should avail themselves of the opportunity to hear

this gifted lady. She may tell you something that will do you good. Remember the date and place—January 2, 1909, U. B. church, Mt. Zion, Ind. Let us give her a rousing good audience.

Mrs. M. E. Miller, Press Supt.

Columbus Meeting—At the home of Mrs. Alice Redman Tuesday afternoon was very enthusiastic. As this was the meeting for the report of the delegates to the State Convention, there was a larger number than usual in attendance, and also a number of visitors were present. Among them was Mrs. Grace Spencer, of Washington, D. C., a former resident of this place and a member of the Union. Mrs. Will Stevens favored the Union with two beautiful solos. Mrs. James Collier led the devotions, after which Mrs. Redman gave quite a lengthy report of the State Convention. The meeting was then very delightfully entertained by a solo, "Sweet Gallilee," by Edgar Kellenbarger. Mrs. Buxton gave a short talk on "Our State Plan of Work," and finished by reciting a poem, the subject of which was "The Twin Ballots." Mrs. Seneca Snyder had charge of the music at the meeting.

Dear Editor: You shall not forget little Floyd county this year. I think our President will find Galena the first Union in Missionary field, for they drove to Greenfield to have their meeting. Georgetown Union is growing; new President is rushing petitions; also, Galena and New Albany. This quarter a Mothers' Congress, Matron Contest tonight, a Fathers' Contest, with three others on hand. We are endeavoring to lift debt off headquarters and pushing all department work. Happy Christmas to our editor and family. May Jesus get the best out of us He can for His glory.

Mrs. Dr. Jones, County President.

An enthusiastic worker, Mrs. Louie Kightlinger, one year ago a resident of Greentown, and whose services in that place helped banish all saloons and build the Union to a membership of nearly seventy, now writes from Elwood that the work is flourishing there. At the three public meetings addressed by Mrs. Vayhinger, Mrs. Sibbits and Mrs. Stanley, new members were gained. On Temperance Sunday fifteen persons signed the total abstinence pledge. A reception was held for the new members in the League room of the M. E. church. Mrs. Somerwalt, the pastor's wife, read a paper on "Child Labor;" Miss Barclas also read a paper on "A Teacher in the Public School," emphasizing Scientific Temperance Instruction. The County President, Mrs. Jones, gave a short talk and the young people took an enthusiastic part in both the program and serving refreshments. For the benefit of those who could not attend this reception, a meeting was held in the evening at the home of Mrs. Callister. Other meetings are being arranged. The temperance wave is rolling. The saloons must go.

Bessie M. Chapman writes: I have finished reading Mrs. Sarah K. Marines book, "Who Was It?" a temperance story, that came from the press recently. It is good and should be in the hands of every W. C. T. U. woman in the state. Mrs. Marines is Press Superintendent of Mooresville Union, Morgan county.

To State W. C. T. U. Convention placards were sent in by Local Unions. These were used in decorating. Some read as follows: Benton County, members gained, 122; Bedford, gain 33, saloons closed, 7; Allen County, gain 120, honorary 65, townships dry 14; Morgan County, gain 22 members, saloons closed 14; Union County, gain 37, saloons closed 8; Marshall County, gain 25, townships dry 4; Bloomington, dry since 1907, total membership 57; Jefferson, 101 new members, 4 new Unions, 5 saloons closed.

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. NANCY CAROLINE METTS, wife of Dr. John I. Metts, and mother of our well loved W. C. T. U. sister, Mrs. Josephine Metts Walmer, passed to her reward October 19, 1908, after a very painful, lingering illness of over three years' duration.

During all her long and weary months of suffering she maintained her usual kind, quiet and motherly disposition, ever ready to put aside her own sufferings to listen to and comfort the suffering of others.

Much might be said of the influence of Mrs. Metts in this community. Suffice it to say that hers was a beautiful Christian character which to know was to love and honor. She never touched a life that she did not make whiter and better. She will be sadly missed in the home and the community at large.

The funeral services were held from the residence, the Rev. C. E. Combrink of the Presbyterian church officiating. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley was present and spoke words of consolation to the bereaved and heartbroken friends. The W. C. T. U. of which she had long been an enthusiastic member, attended in a body, thus expressing in a measure their high regard for the dear one that had just gone away. The Eastern Star order was also present in a body.

MRS. SADIE HILDEBRAND, of Elizabeth, Ind., was called to her Heavenly home Nov. 27. She was the president of the W. C. T. U. organized at Elizabeth about twelve years ago by our beloved sister, Hattie Brand. Her heart and soul was in the work. She was active in all good work. She helped circulate several remonstrances. She was a consistent Christian, loved by all who knew her. She is gone but not forgotten.

MRS. MATTIE FLANAGAN,
Vice-President of the New Albany Union.

MISS JESSIE WRIGHT, of Earl Park Union, died during a surgical operation. Death so sudden of one of such energy and power for God's Kingdom is a serious loss to the community in which she lived and to the W. C. T. U. of which she was a member. This is the first death in the Earl Park W. C. T. U. Miss Wright was an earnest worker and her death is a loss that can not be measured in words.

MRS. ELIZA A. LEITER, of Rochester W. C. T. U., wife of Wm. Leiter, passed to her reward Sept. 3, 1908, aged 67 years. She said she was never lonely through her long illness, for "Jesus is always with me." Sister Leiter leaves a husband, four sons and three daughters.

MRS. SUSAN H. CALVERT, of Rochester W. C. T. U., wife of Rev. R. H. Calvert, deceased, departed this life Oct. 29, 1908, aged 84 years, after a short illness incident to old age. She leaves two sons and two daughters, the husband and seven children having gone on before. Her Heavenly attractions were the greater and she was glad to go.

ROSE F. ORR.

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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THIRTY COUNTIES ON DRY LIST.

Hamilton, Decatur, Tipton and Putnam Join Pike Lawrence and Wabash.

Sweeping victories in the first four counties on January 26th.

When the news reached the county seats, W. C. T. U. workers joined with the rejoicing hosts of men, women and children in celebration. Fire works, bonfires, the ringing of bells and drum corps were used. The protracted meetings were dismissed, pastors and people joined the throng of people in the business district. Gospel services were held in front of saloons. Women were active in the work and in many places children took a prominent part. At Greensburg the children wore tags bearing the appeal, "Vote, Yes For Me." At Greencastle, men, women and children wore white badges with the word "Dry" printed on in black letters.

IMPORTANT.

One real issue in the last campaign between the Democrats and Republicans was "the Township and Ward Option" and "County Option."

Now there is a strong sentiment among the Democrats to let the county option law remain as passed in the special session.

In the meantime there is a diversity of opinion among members of both houses as to the present status of affairs concerning amendments to the constitution.

This being the case, a bill for a straight prohibitory law should be introduced in both houses while waiting for a clear way for a Resolution for an amendment for state-wide prohibition.

Every day members of the legislature remark concerning subjects, "I have not heard from my constituency on that matter."

Now, we certainly should and will write them every one, friends and foes, asking them to consider the pleadings of the women for the protection of their homes against the saloon by prohibiting liquor selling in Indiana.

SHALL INDIANA HAVE SUNDAY BASEBALL?

Will Men Be Placed on Indiana Woman's Prison Board.

Ask good men and good women to take the trouble to write letters to members of the House and Senate urging them to help defeat the Sunday base ball bill and the repeal of County Option, and to vote for State-Wide Prohibition. Special effort should be made to influence the committee on Reformatory institutions to kill the bill of Representative Faulkner of Michigan City, in which he seeks to have the board of trustees of the Indiana Woman's Prison and the Indiana Girls' School (Reformatory) to consist of men and women instead of being entirely of women as it has been for years.

It is a woman's prison and a girls' institution why should it not remain in the hands of women trustees. In fact every fair minded person will agree to that.

State institutions, including hospitals for the insane, educational, charitable and penal, where both sexes are admitted, should be in the hands of boards composed of men and women, and in institutions for men, such as the penitentiary at Michigan City and reformatory at Jeffersonville and Plainfield, should be in the hands of men.

Every woman who reads these lines can help greatly by spending two hours writing letters herself and a little time getting voters to write letters to legislators especially members of committees in charge of certain bills.

The House committee on Reformatory Institutions:

Robert Tomlinson, Dem., Fairland, Shelby county.

S. Askren, Dem., DePauw, Harrison county.

Andrew Behymer, Dem., Elwood, Madison county.

F. I. Galbraith, Dem., Sunman, Ripley county.

John H. Hill, Dem., Clifford, Bartholomew county.

James B. Merriman, Dem., Bluffton, Wells county.

Edward W. Wickey, Rep., East Chicago, Lake county.

W. S. Ratliff, Rep., Richmond, Wayne county.

Alonzo M. Gardner, Rep., Richmond, Fayette and Wayne counties.

Address any one of these members, House of Representatives, State House, Indianapolis.

GREAT WORK AT GREENCASTLE.

Putnam County Local Option Committee Asked to Make Compact With County Liquor Committee

County Option carried in Putnam county by 1,551 majority.

The liquor men had asked the temperance county committee to enter into a compact with them agreeing not to use liquor, cigars, money or carriages and not to exert any undue influence on election day—with a forfeiture of two hundred

dollars for non-compliance. The temperance committee made the compact.

Greencastle has seven saloons and was Republican. The county dry and Democratic.

The election was set for Tuesday, January 26th. Only one W. C. T. Union in Putnam county and that one at Greencastle under the strong leadership of Miss Minnetta Taylor, Mrs. J. P. D. John and Mrs. Mary G. Webb stirred the conservatism of the community.

This union secured the co-operation of DePauw University Faculty and Students, Superintendent Woody of the schools and many teachers, the ministers, white and colored, Sunday school superintendents and everybody interested in getting rid of saloons.

Their work began on Saturday morning after a meeting on Friday evening at the home of Mrs. J. P. D. John with Mrs. McWhirter as speaker. The election was on the following Tuesday.

White badges with "Dry" on were printed by the thousands and distributed by the Loyal Temperance Legion. On Saturday afternoon 1,500 badges were pinned on the people who had come "to town" and others. Early on Sunday morning from 500 to 800 were taken to each church and enthusiastically donned by pastors, Sunday school superintendents, teachers, grown-up people and little people with extra badges to take home for others.

Arrangements were made for school children to be driven in hay wagons over town early on Tuesday morning wearing their "Dry" badges and carrying banners and flags and singing songs; the use of wagons for the purpose were donated. High school students were organized.

The county temperance committee of men came to the W. C. T. U. on Monday evening and urged them to call off all demonstration of the children and young people for the next day (Election Day). The vote was considered close and the liquor men had said that this would be breaking the contract to allow the women to proceed and threatening what they would do. Rather than take the entire blame for County Option defeat in Greencastle if such should be, these ballotless women announced to the children the next morning that there would be no hay wagon rides or other demonstration.

The disappointment of the children no doubt, increased the interest and helped to win the victory in Greencastle which was less than 175 majority, one ward voting wet by 17.

The university faculty and students co-operated every way possible, an immense white "Dry" flag was made by the students and run up on the college flag staff. The students did splendid personal work and committees were at the polls.

READ THIS.

Micael J. Fanning has been secured for work in our state in February and March, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. Mr. Fanning, the "Irish Orator," is too well known in our state to need introduction. He is one of our most successful workers and speakers.

His terms are entertainment and an offering for the work. For dates write at once to your state corresponding secretary, Miss Mary E. Woodward, Fountain City. County presidents should secure dates for unorganized places as he will work to secure names for an organization. Write at once the number of dates you will want for your county.

LEGISLATIVE

Following many days of effort to get both branches of the Indiana legislature fully organized came the important event of the election of a United States senator on January 20th. This election resulted in the choice of Hon. Benjamin F. Shively of South Bend, to succeed Hon. James A. Hemenway.

A Housing bill has been introduced in the House and Senate at the instigation of the Indianapolis Commercial club and the charity organization.

This action grew out of a movement that was started for the purpose of investigating the housing conditions among the poorer classes of the cities and of taking some action to improve undesirable conditions. A large amount of information was gathered with reference to overcrowded conditions in tenement houses and apartments, and with reference to dark and unventilated and insanitary dwellings.

Simultaneously with this movement one was started in other parts of the state in the same direction, notably at Evansville, under the direction of Mrs. Albion Fellows Bacon. Through her efforts, it is said, the conditions throughout the state have been investigated and a bill has been drafted. The bill has been referred to the House and Senate committees on public health.

Mrs. Bacon addressed the joint session of the Houses on this subject with credit to herself and the cause represented.

A bill to repeal the county option law is now in the hands of the Public Morals committee of the House of Representatives. The following is the list of the members of this committee: W. S.

Racey, Vincennes, representing Knox, Gibson, and Vanderburg counties; David B. Hostetter, Roachdale, Putnam county; Gilbert A. Elliott, South Bend, St. Joseph county; John B. Faulkner, Michigan City, Laporte county; Joseph Moss, Linton, Green county; E. W. McKennan, Garrett, DeKalb county; John G. Harris, Bloomington, Monroe and Brown counties; William Jay, Rushville, Rush county; J. G. Maddox, Hartford City, Blackford and Grant counties.

There is an effort by the temperance people to keep this committee from reporting on this bill until the real working of the county option law can be tested in the elections pending at an early date.

If the members of this committee each receive hundreds of letters from temperance men in their counties urging them not to report favorably on this bill it may stop further action altogether on the subject. No such bill has yet been introduced in the Senate.

Many bills relating to the regulation of liquor selling have been introduced. A resolution for an amendment to the constitution for state-wide prohibition has not yet been introduced.

So much uncertainty concerning the repeal of county option and there being danger of a party vote demanded that as yet there is no action.

The Senate has a Republican majority and the House of Representatives has a Democratic majority.

The County Option law was passed at the special session as a Republican measure with the help of a few Republicans in the Senate it could be repealed if brought to a strict party vote in both houses.

The Sunday Base Ball bill was presented in the House amid cheers by its author, Representative Thomas W. Brolley of North Vernon, from Jennings and Scott counties. This bill has been reported favorably by the committee and is likely to be before the House at almost any time. Every church in the state should make either a written or spoken protest against the passage of such a law. Personal interviews with the members of the House will accomplish much. There is no time for delay. The W. C. T. U. should work for the defeat of this measure by protests from all churches and christian organizations and by letters from women and men.

Thousands of good women are weary of the constant efforts required to urge their representatives in state and national affairs to vote for the welfare of the home and society. Still we must keep on doing these unpleasant things and obligating ourselves to perform such unnecessary tasks until this generation of boys shall come into manhood, then we may expect that women will enter the councils of the church and the state.

Today in Indiana woman is amenable to all the laws for crime etc., and must pay exactly the same tax rate as man but does not have a voice in matters of government under which she and her children live. This will be changed eventually but at present the best we can do is to work by petition and protest.—Continue to secure signatures to petitions for state-wide prohibition and send them in.

POLICE MATRONS.

Senator Wood introduced a bill providing that city councils in all cities with a population of 18,000 or more shall appoint police matrons, the salary to be fixed by the council. This amends the present law which makes the appointment of police matrons in such cities optional with the council. Primarily Senator Wood wishes to have a police matron appointed at Lafayette, but he says several other cities should have matrons. It is his idea that female prisoners should be taken care of by women. Usually he says there is some aversion among the members of a police force to having women connected with the department. He believes, though, that a woman as matron, would have a beneficial influence on young girls who are arrested.—Exchange.

The following petition expresses the sentiment of good people all over Indiana and hundreds of such requests should be made immediately.

PETITION TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF INDIANA.

We, the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Allen County, of the State of Indiana, hereby petition your honorable body to pass a law compelling the city councils in all cities with a population of 10,000 or more to appoint police matrons, the salary to be fixed by the councils.

MRS. MARTHA WILLIARD RIDENOUR, County President of the W. C. T. U.

GEORGE I. COOPER, Superintendent Fort Wayne Rescue Home and Missions.

C. E. TINKHAM, Acting Secretray Y. M. C. A.

MRS. I. N. TAYLOR, Chairman of Philanthropic Dept., Woman's Club League.

MRS. JESSIE GRICE, Wife of ex-Sheriff of Allen County, Fort Wayne.

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DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL TEMPERANCE.

My Dear Co-Workers:

In this day and age of the world, when "the Nation is going dry," Indiana in particular, when we are voting the Black Demon Alcohol out of every corner of our State, we must be on the lookout, for he will, most assuredly bob up again, in some form or other. As "patent medicine" has long been one of his strong-holds, he will most likely conceive some attractive new name, and catch some of our unsuspecting "White Ribboners." We must be "wise as serpents" concerning these "frauds."

"To be forewarned is to be forearmed," and so dear county and local superintendent of Medical Temperance, I urge you to do all you can in your department. I have written a personal letter and sent literature to every county superintendent, or county president in the State asking them to supply all the unions in their county with literature. I want to urge every Union to supply their local physicians with literature. Send 5c to Mrs. M. M. Allen, Marcellus, N. Y. for a Physician's Package, and then please report to me what you have done. We can win the Banner if we supply every physician in the State with literature.

I have a number of copies of "The Great American Friend" which I would be glad to send you if you will send 4c to pay postage.

Yours for the Cause of Medical Temperance,
MRS. G. E. DENNY,
Madison, Ind.

YOUNG WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

Dear County and Local Presidents:

I feel sure that we are all anxious that this be one of the best years in the history of our work, and I trust that we shall not only enter every open door, but strive to open many others which have heretofore been closed against us and our blessed cause.

For one, I am very anxious that many young women will become interested in Temperance work and be identified with us in the Young Woman's branch.

The opportunities for doing good and reaching out for others are legion. Many young people there are in our State today, who would be a power in accomplishing great things along the lines of our different departments of work, once we could get them interested and into our Y. branches. So many young women fail to realize how far reaching is their influence for good or evil and how great are their possibilities for doing good and leading others into paths of right living. If we could all realize what wonderful opportunities are ours as we stand upon the threshold of the new year. This is truly woman's age, a marvelous age. The whole universe is to be ours, providing we are strong enough to put self under our feet, providing we are brave enough to be true to the conviction of our highest womanhood. To do right, no matter how apparently overwhelming the opposing tide may be.

The possibilities of our lives are to be measured only by our unconscious influence.

Dear Young Women of Indiana, we need this work of the Y. W. C. T. U. for our own development and growth, we need to know more of the work of the world that we ourselves may be broadened, have more public spirit, be more patriotic. We need you, dear girls, the work in calling for you, you need to be in training for the broader work of the W. C. T. U.

Sisters of the W. C. T. U., will you not look around you, and do all in your power to enlist the young women, believing that as the nation will demand so much of the womanhood of tomorrow, you can in no way better aid the cause you love?

May God richly bless the few Y-Girls in Indiana, and may we not be contented until the number is greatly increased. We will see the increase if we work and pray. As I am not able to write to each county and local president, separately, I trust that you will each read this as a personal letter and appeal, and see that an earnest effort is made for organizing a Y-Branch in your town. The time is passing rapidly, do not delay, but be active in God's work.

I have Y. leaflets and pledge cards which I will gladly send to anyone asking for them, free, and

the Y Year Books at 5c per copy. Please write for them, they will be very helpful.

Yours for the Young Women,
MISS LAURA G. CAMMACK,
State Secretary, Converse, Indiana.

TEMPERANCE LITERATURE.

The Plan of Work for this department has been sent to all county superintendents whose addresses were secured and to the presidents of counties where county superintendents' addresses were not known. If any one has failed to receive these, please drop me a card immediately.

The department of literature is one of the most important. It includes all of the other departments, setting forth the aim and object of the work attempted.

Much depends on the superintendent of literature. She should be well informed, be familiar with the literature of every different department of our work. The more intelligent each worker the greater her value. One cannot be all she ought to be in this work unless she reads the Union Signal as well as the state paper. It is my great desire that every union in the state of Indiana bring its subscription list to the Union Signal up to one-fourth its membership. How many are going to put forth their very best efforts to accomplish this? It can be done. Send to The Union Signal, Evansville, Ill., for sample copies.

The special mid-winter offer closes March 1, 1909. You yet have time to grasp the opportunity and secure your own paper free for one year. By sending a club of five subscriptions to the Union Signal, you secure a premium copy. At least three of the club are expected to be new subscriptions. The whole club, must be sent, with money, at one time, and premium copy asked for in same letter.

MRS. NETTIE D. WARE,
Superintendent of Literature,
Fairmount, Indiana.

MEDAL CONTEST DEPARTMENT

As we stand upon the threshold of this glad new year; as we meditate upon the past, and look into the future, freighted with privileges and responsibilities, may we not be glad to see the great service we may render the young people, and aid our glorious cause, and thus hasten the coming of the glad day when our land shall be free from the blighting influence of the saloon—by engaging in the Medal Contest Work.

Allow me to reiterate what I have said so many times—no one can possibly estimate the real educational value of having young people engage in a series of medal contests.

We speak from positive information, when we say, that during the past eighteen years that we have been interested in contest work, that thousands of boys and girls, who began in contests in early days, are today prominent workers for prohibition and reform movements. Many are teachers, preachers and platform orators. Dear sisters, go to work at once to organize a contest class. Aside from the good done for rising generations, your own life will be broadened, and sweetened here and Heaven will be enriched by your efforts. Yours for service for the young.

JULIA OVERMAN, Superintendent.

PARLIAMENTARY LAW.

As this is the time of year when we are all turning over new leaves, and making new resolutions, I hope every union in the state will turn a leaf in the interest of Parliamentary Usage.

This department is unlike most other departments, in that it can not bring forth a new plan of work every year. Our parliamentary laws, were handed down to us from Parliament, they are fixed, the all important thing for each union to do, is to study these laws.

Every union should have a superintendent; if this seems impracticable, then the president should do the work of the superintendent reporting same to county superintendent, and in case there is no county superintendent, report to state superintendent.

The question has been asked: "Which do you consider the best, Roberts' Rules of Order, or Mrs. Benjamin's Studies?" I would answer by saying they are in harmony with each other, but as Mrs. Benjamin's Studies are simplified and thus more easily understood and are also specially adapted to our use, I would recommend them for general use by the union, but as we say we are governed by Roberts' Rules, I would recommend that each union own a copy for reference when questions come up, and can not be settled by the "Studies."

This reference book should be placed with the superintendent of parliamentary usage, and when there is no superintendent the president should take charge of it, if we do our own studying, we will not have to trouble our national superintendent with foolish questions, such as appear in her parliamentary quiz column, in Union Signal.

The National has an honor roll, any state can be placed on this roll, by purchasing fifty, one hundred, or two hundred copies of Mrs. Benjamin's Studies. Indiana was on last year, for having ordered fifty copies, let us not do less this year, and more, if possible. The Studies can be purchased, either in single copies, at twenty cents per copy, or at fifty cents a set. A set consists of three books. No. 1, Voting, Elections—Duties of Officers. No. 2, Motions—Privileged, Secondary Incidental. No. 3, Rank of Motions.

Unions wishing to order by the dozen, can get them for \$1.80, but remember, in order to be on the honor roll, the fifty copies must be ordered

at one time by the state superintendent of unions, and individuals, therefore, who desire these helps, will please send orders, accompanied by money order, to your state superintendent, as soon as possible. I would also recommend the use of the Responsive Readings in union meetings, they are very helpful and can be purchased at sixty cents per hundred.

Parliamentary Law cards can be secured at sixty cents a dozen.

Send all orders through your state superintendent, in order that we may have a full report at close of the year. I would recommend that each union have a parliamentary drill, once a quarter, if this can not be done, have at least two during the year. In making your program for the year plan for three drills.

If more attention is given to parliamentary usage, we will have less talk and more work.

How often we hear it said, "We talked a good deal about a certain thing, but we did not come to any definite conclusion. Parliamentary usage makes you come to a definite conclusion on all subjects under discussion."

Wishing you all a happy and prosperous New Year, I am your "To do all things in a decent and orderly manner,"

MARTHA L. GIPE,

State Superintendent.

1113N. Alabama street, Indianapolis.

DEPARTMENT PURITY IN LITERATURE AND ART.

Dear Sisters:

In December I sent each local president in the state my plan of work with samples of literature which I expected them to hand to their local superintendent of this department, if there was one. But nearly every day letters come to me from local superintendents asking for the plan of work, and also letters and cards from local presidents telling me who their local superintendents are and asking me to send literature and plans of work to them. So far, I have complied with these requests, but cannot promise to keep up this plan as the literature which I bought is nearly exhausted and I do not think it necessary. I thought this was given all the explanation that was needed in the January Message, but I fear that some failed to read. I have already expended twice the amount provided by state fund and as the women write me so often and want answers, if you just remember to enclose a stamp, or stamped envelope, it will help a great deal to lessen the expenses of this department. However, do not be afraid to write me at any time, even if you do not feel that you care to pay return postage. I am greatly pleased to know so many unions are taking up the work. I have heard from several new counties already and I'm sure many more will follow. A few have ordered copies of the state law and many more ought to do so without fail. Let us try and get the work of this department well started before the end of this quarter. Several have written asking how to get other members of the union interested and how to really let them know of the importance of this department. I wish to suggest to local presidents that the superintendent of this department be given a place on the program at some regular meeting, when she may explain about her department and thus get the others to co-operate with her.

Trusting that all will unite in helping us in our work, and that I may hear from you each and all, I am yours for service,

ELNORA G. McNAUGHTON,
Ray, Ind., Box 94, Steuben Co.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

Important Suggestions to Superintendents.

If you are a county superintendent, write to each local president asking that a wide-awake, interested woman be appointed local superintendent of this department.

Request of the county president that this topic be given prominent place at all county conventions.

Provide yourself with all the department leaflets, studying the question well, yourself. Write frequently to your local helpers, visiting each union once or twice during the twelve months, in the interest of the department. Urge co-operation in all the plans presented by the state superintendent. Help me win one of the beautiful Frances E. Willard Memorial Banners, presented by the National department to the two states making the most progress in this particular department, during the year. Remember that the number of active local superintendents, and total number of pages of literature used to create sentiment, will count. Advise local unions to consider.

WHAT A LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT CAN DO.

1. Take steps immediately to hold a Special Physical Education Meeting. Select most favorable time and place. Advertise well. Written invitations will secure attendance. Ask each one receiving invitation, to bring a friend with her.

2. Select women with some influence in the community who can read the papers with spirit, provided they have good voice.

3. Have good music.

MRS. C. C. THOMAS,

State Superintendent.

3426 S. Boots street, Marion, Ind.

RAILROAD DEPARTMENT.

Dear Superintendents:

While there are but a small number of county superintendents of this department at present, I am very sure there will be many more in the

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near future. Each county not showing a superintendent, I have asked the county president to try to secure one, and have received several favorable replies.

Hope each of you have received my communication, and also the literature sent under separate cover. The railroad department is a large field for work and I hope much good may be done throughout the state this year. Very truly,

MRS. R. P. COLE,

State Superintendent Railroad Department.
214 South Sixth street.

MORAL EDUCATION.

Dear Sisters:

From the annual report I have the name and address of thirty-five county superintendents, some new, some old, to all I have sent my plan of work, with enough literature to form the foundation for many meetings and they are so much needed. Ours is the department for prevention as well as cure. Many mothers have said to me: "O, if I only had known these things earlier in life." Now that you do know, help some young girl or mother to know.

Dear County Superintendents, won't you try to have a local superintendent in every union in your county. A live working superintendent. Keep in touch with your locals and see that they keep a record of all work done and report to you. I will send a limited number of report blanks, but will send more later on. According to the directory in annual report, DeKalb, Gibson, Rush, Spencer, Knox and Wells counties have no superintendent for this department. This I regret so much, for everywhere we have the mothers and babies, that might be helped so much by the instruction given by our department. I trust these counties will soon appoint superintendents and send their names to me. I will be very glad to send them some helps. I will expect a report from every county that I have sent supplies to. Please do not disappoint me. I know I am late in getting anything to you, but I wrote to the National superintendent long ago for her plans that I might formulate mine in harmony with hers, but as yet not a word from her. Her appropriation is sufficient to send to every state thousands of pages of literature. Write to her for free literature, address, Mrs. Helen Bullock, 305 E. Church street, Elmira, N. Y. I desire to help you in any way I can. Yours for service,

MRS. S. M. STAHL,

State Superintendent of Moral Education and
W. R. C. R., Hartford City.

W. C. T. U. NORMAL INSTITUTES.

Program.

FIRST DAY—MORNING.

10:00—Devotional. Conference of officers and members.

10:15—Review of work mapped out by National, State and County unions. Plans for pushing the work by county executive. New business Discussion.

11:00—Topic: "Our Do-Everything Policy." Questions on department work and general temperance news to come from members and be answered by institute leader and W. C. T. U. officers.

AFTERNOON.

2:00—Opening devotional services and words of welcome by local or county president.

2:15—Response and organization. By institute leader. Appointment of secretary, reporters, committee on courtesies, membership, periodicals, etc.

2:35—Presentation of the Union Signal and opening of subscription list giving all present an opportunity to subscribe.

2:55—Presentation of other periodicals and literature and taking subscriptions. (Note. This work to be kept up by committees. Write in advance for sample copies of papers, giving place and date of each institute.)

3:10—Music. Recitation or song by a Y. or an L. T. L. member.

3:25—The work of the L. T. L. with an Anti-Tobacco department and pledge. By an L. T. L. secretary or teacher. Discussion.

3:40—The work of the young women for the L. T. L. by a Y. secretary. Discussion.

4:00—Music. announcements. Benediction.

EVENING.

7:30—Music. Devotional. Music.

7:45—A silver, gold, grand gold or diamond medal contest. Admission, 10, 15, 25 or 50 cents to defray institute expenses. Music throughout. Invitation for new members. If preferred give Welcome Night with short addresses of welcome and responsive address by institute leader. (A silver offering to be taken at the door). Special music. Benediction.

SECOND DAY—MORNING

9:00—Song, prayer and praise service.

9:15—Open parliament for department work. Social hygiene. The white slave trade of today. By superintendent of health and heredity or of rescue work.

9:25—The latest findings of science as regards the effects of alcohol on the human system, by superintendent of S. T. I. or of medical temperance or by a physician.

9:35—The two-fold mission of the W. C. T. U. institute. (a) Training for efficiency in methods of work, by a county president. (b) Reaching and arousing the masses. How to secure the best results, by institute leader. Discussion.

10:00—The advantages of municipal suffrage for women, by superintendent franchise. Other departments are to be considered here extending the time.

10:50—Special music.

11:00—Symposium. Topic, "Organized Christian Work for Temperance." (a) The work of the church temperance committee, by one of the members. (b) What can be done for temperance by young people's societies, by an officer. (c) The importance of the Sunday school quarterly temperance lesson, by a Sunday school superintendent. (d) Co-operation with missionary societies. How rum, opium and the cigarette impede missionary effort, by a department superintendent. (e) The power of the pulpit used aggressively against the liquor traffic. What it means, by a minister. (f) The christian press against the breweries and the distiller, by an editor. To be given by seven minute papers or talks. Discussion. Announcements. Noontide prayer. Adjourn for lunch.

AFTERNOON.

2:00—Music. Invocation. Special music.

2:20—A temperance revival conducted by the churches. How begin; what methods use? by superintendent evangelistic work. Discussion.

2:40—The need of a national commission to investigate the economic and moral effects of the liquor traffic, by a lawyer. Discussion.

3:00—Special music.

3:15—Symposium. Topic, "The March of the Temperance Reform Across the Continent." (a) Prohibition victories of the South. (b) The passing of the saloon in the North. How and when. (c) History and results of local option. The principle involved. (d) Constitutional prohibition and its advantages. Four ten-minute papers or addresses. General discussion.

4:05—The need of a law for the protection of prohibition territory. A fifteen-minute paper or address. Discussion.

4:15—Announcements. Song. Closing prayer.

EVENING.

7:30—Music. Invocation. Special music. Demonstration Night for the Legislative Department and the L. T. L. branch. Moot legislation. Resolve the institute (part of the audience) into a house of representatives (by previous arrangement) having a speaker, chief clerk and page. Introduce a bill for Equal Suffrage. Refer bill to committee on "rights and privileges of inhabitants of the state." (Take an offering for institute expenses while the committee is considering bill). Have committee report bill favorably, move to suspend rules, advance bill to third reading and put it on its passage, taking the vote. Calling of yeas and nays. For the discussion of the bill have a few short enthusiastic speeches ready For and Against suffrage. Allow as many volunteer speeches as time and the interest will permit. Special music. Closing invocation. (Note. This legislative demonstration if prepared by a tactful interested person may easily be made very interesting and educative. It may be made long or short according to the length of the discussion. If short some phase of the beautiful work of the children may be demonstrated. Follow the meeting with a social half-hour for celebrating the victory of the winning side and a crusade for new members. If preferred to the foregoing an address may be given by the institute leader.

OTHER TOPICS FOR OPEN PARLIAMENT

1. Abraham Lincoln as a Prohibitionist.
2. The need of a constitutional amendment prohibiting polygamy.
3. What would be the effect of a recognition Honor roll for moral heroism.
4. The study of the English Bible in public schools.
5. Organic training.

MRS. MARY HADLEY HALL,

National Superintendent W. C. T. U. Institutes.
285 East Jefferson street, Franklin, Indiana.

MRS. ROSE PEARCE,
State Superintendent W. C. T. U. Institutes,
Cayuga, Indiana.

SCHEDULE.

Leader—Mrs. Ella Kroft, Bloomington.

March 11, 12, 14—Owen county.

March 15, 16, 17—Clay county.

March 18, 19, 21—Vigo county.

March 22, 23, 24—Parke county.

March 25, 26, 28—Putnam county.

March 29, 30, 31—Hendricks county.

April 12, 13, 14—Lawrence county.

April 22, 23, 25—Knox county.

April 26, 27, 28—Gibson county.

April 29, 30, May 2—Vandeburg county.

May 3, 4, 5—Posey county.

May 6, 7, 9—Warwick county.

May 10, 11, 12—Spencer county.

May 13, 14, 16—Dubois county.

May 17, 18, 19—Crawford county.

Leader—Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Liberty.

Monroe county.

Morgan county.

Union county.

Leader—Mrs. Retta Jones, Alexandria.

March 11, 12, 14—Miami county.

March 15, 16, 17—Lake county.

March 18, 19, 21—Porter county.

March 22, 23, 24—Laporte county.

March 25, 26, 28—St. Joseph county.

March 29, 30, 31—Elkhart county.

April 19, 20, 21—Bartholomew county.

April 22, 23, 25—Jackson county.

April 26, 27, 28—Washington county.

April 29, 30, May 2—Floyd county, Georgetown.

May 3, 4, 5—Clark county.

May 6, 7, 9—Jefferson county.

May 10, 11, 12—Jennings county.

May 13, 14, 16—Dearborn county.

May 17, 18, 19—Franklin county.

Leader—Miss Clara Sears, Anderson.

Fayette county.

Johnson county.

Decatur county.

Leader—Mrs. Amanda Shedd, Argos.

April 12, 13, 14—Madison county.

April 15, 16, 18—Howard county, Kokomo.

Leader—Mrs. Josephine Walmer, Bluffton.

March 15, 16, 17—Allen county.

March 18, 19, 21—DeKalb county.

March 22, 23, 24—Steuben county.

March 25, 26, 28—Noble county.

April 12, 13, 14—Blackford county.

April 15, 16, 18—Jay county, Pennville.

Leader—Mrs. Rose Pearce, Cayuga.

March 8, 9, 10—Marshall county.

March 22, 23, 24—Clinton county.

March 25, 26, 28—Tippecanoe county.

April 12, 13, 14—Boone county.

April 15, 16, 18—Hamilton county.

April 26, 27, 28—Wabash county.

April 29, 30, May 2—Whitney county.

May 3, 4, 5—Wells county.

May 6, 7, 9—Huntington county.

Leader—Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Upland.

Grant county.

Delaware county.

Marion county.

Pulaski county.

Wayne county.

To be supplied with leader.

Warren county.

Benton county.

Vermillion county.

Dear County Presidents:

A number of you have responded to my request made in January Message and have located your institute, and I take this opportunity of thanking you. I am looking for letters from every one of you and so will thank, in advance, those from whom I have not yet heard. Up to the present time, this year promises to be the best we have had in the institute department since I have been state superintendent.

There are yet a few things I want to ask of you that will make the work more profitable, much easier and more successful in every way.

Doubtless each county would like to choose their leader, but this is not possible if we cover the ground, so I am going to ask every one to accept dates (where it is possible) and leader scheduled, and to welcome the workers with warm hearts, helpful hands and earnest prayers.

If you do this I am sure that they will be made a blessing to you all. Remember that an institute is a "School of Methods" and the purpose in holding it is: First. To gain a better knowledge of the work and how to do it. Second. To develop local talent of which there is so much lying dormant. Third. To solicit new members and enlarge our subscription list to the Union Signal and Crusader Monthly. Fourth. To interest people who do not appear interested by getting into personal touch with them. Fifth. To reach the masses of the people. The leader is the instructor in all the day meetings and can also speak at the night meeting if desired. I would, however, suggest that this year an effort be made to have two or three speakers at the night meetings. Let the institute leader have some of the time, but use some of your local temperance men and your prohibition ministers. Have some good music, solos and recitations.

Do not omit the contest. It is a wonderful educator and also helps out on the finances. After the institute try and make plans to have Mrs. Vayhinger or Mrs. Stanley visit you and thus keep burning the fire which I trust will be kindled during the institute.

Oh, there are so many things I would like to ask you to do, for I do so desire that this year, when we are striving to bring up our membership to 10,000 and during which there will be such battles to be fought, that our institutes may be the means of strengthening our women both in knowledge and numbers. Dear sisters, I am depending on you to do your very best and I believe you will not fail me.

Remember, to be very particular in filling out the report blanks, as it is on these I must depend when awarding the beautiful institute pennant which last year went to Dearborn county.

In March Message will appear a list of the weaker counties in which we hope to do some work this year. Write me for information or help. Lovingly yours,

ROSE PEARCE.

214 South Sixth street, Lafayette.

State Organizer for Colored People, Mrs. M. A. McCurdy, 225 South Tenth street, Richmond.

INDIANA JOY BELLS, JANUARY, 1909.

My Dear Legioners:

1909 is here. A fresh spotless, New Year! What shall we do with it? Are you ashamed of last year's record? Did you ever feel you wanted to begin all over anew, "forgetting those things which are behind" the failures; discouragements, and all that was disagreeable, and with a new zeal and determination try again? Well the time has come for this very thing. Our nation is in a mighty battle, we are the soldiers and every lagging step of ours hinders the victory, "To the Front," is our command this year. May every Legioner respond promptly, eagerly to every call. In a letter from our National Secretary recently, I received great inspiration from a verse which she quoted from that beautiful poem, "Seed Sow-

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ing," allow me to repeat it and may it sink into every heart that reads it:

"Take to yourselves the lesson of Infinite labor and pain,

Giving your lives and your fortunes, hoping for nothing again;

Count not the fruitless efforts that only the Father knows,

Nor think of the loss with grumbling, if only one seed grows."

You will all rejoice to know that Indiana made a gain of 82 subscriptions to the *Crusader Monthly* during November. Our list is now 950, this is good but let's make it better. Why not bring our list up to 2,000 this year, as soon as you get this, why not plan to take a half-day and see how many subscribers you can get, this is the first call. How many will respond? The second important call is for graduates, what are you doing towards the 150 graduates which is our goal for this year? We must have them, we will, I am sure, if we all put our shoulder to the wheel and push. Are you a graduate? Are all the young persons over whom you have influence graduates? If not try to get them into a class at once, an hour a week together will soon complete the course. At our next state convention to be held in Greencastle we want every graduate who possibly can attend to be in the graduate march and to sit on the platform on graduate evening. We are planning for a wonderful convention and only those who are graduates can vote. Thirdly, the call is sounding for dues, without them, we are crippled, with them we can do wonders, so see that the dues of every one whose name is on your Legion roll is kept paid up. Send same to Harry S. Walsh, Bedford, Indiana. Let us bring Indiana to the very front rank this year and show Mother National what the old Hoosier state can do; "On to Victory!" Loyally,

DeEtte Walker.

The following new county secretaries of L. T. L. branch reported:

Elkhart—Mrs. Mattie Kingman of Goshen.
Marion—Miss Jeanette Gike, 1113 N. Alabama St., Indianapolis.

Stauben—Mrs. Ella McNaughton, Ray.
Huntington—Mrs. Wilmetta E. Roush, Warren.
Spencer—Mrs. Alice Roberts, Rockport.
Pulaski—Mrs. Sarah Gillinger, Star City.
Wells—Mrs. Minnie Klernight, Tocsin.
New local secretaries of Legions:
Wells—Mrs. Ella Benneett, R. R. 1, Keystone.
Posey—Mrs. Isaiah Fletchall, Poseyville.
Noble—Mrs. C. A. Gardner, Kendallville.
Morgan—Mrs. Flora E. Monical, Brooklyn.
Hamilton—Mrs. Ella Pierce, Atlanta.
Grant—Mrs. S. G. Anderson, 3411 S. Washington St., Marion.

Blackford—Miss Merl Williamson, Hartford City.

Jefferson—Mrs. Robert Wood, R. R. 2, Madison.
In a new legion at Francisville, name of leader not given. Was organized by Mrs. Ellen Pattis Allen. Mrs. Deuny writes that the F. E. Willard legion of Madison had a Christmas party at their parlors, December 24, after a short program, introduction of Santa Claus, the Legioners followed him to the children's home, and each child there was presented with a Wonder Bag filled with dolls, books, toys and candy. These wonder bags were made by the legion boys and girls, and they all felt repaid, when they saw the faces of the orphan children light up with joy.

The Ida M. Mix legion of Kokomo furnished the music for the W. C. T. U. the evening the report was given of the National convention, helped with the jail and county infirmary meeting at Christmas times. This legion is doing splendid work along all lines of our department work under the splendid leadership of our dear Mrs. Pedigo. To the F. E. Willard legion Elwood we extend loving sympathy in the loss of one of their devoted, earnest members, Mr. Charles Mastern, who in stepping from one track to escape a freight train, stepped on another to be instantly killed by another train, he was a leader in both the church and temperance work, and will be greatly missed.

Your state secretary attended the memorial service held in the library at Elwood, the club room being well filled with young men and women. Nineteen young men legioners were present, and six more joined that afternoon, as well as one young lady. This legion is also doing excellent work under the superintendency of our beloved State Vice President Mr. Cowley and Miss Pearl Mathews.

Mrs. Ethel E. Bair writes from North Liberty that their legion is doing good work. They now have three teachers. She is studying for a diploma. I wish all L. T. L. leaders would do likewise. Eighty-eight legioners paid dues last quarter, from eight legions. Only six returned the blanks. I sent out over one hundred. Will you superintendents and leaders please send them in at once, telling what you have done in your legion the past quarter. Read carefully our president's letter in this issue and do all you can in the three special calls she gives us. Let us do our best to encourage and help her in her plans. She is devoted to the work, loves it and wants to see "things moving." Just as we all do, so let us do our best for *Crusader Monthly*. Dues and Graduates the remainder of this year. Our legion year closes the fifteenth of June. Plan largely for delegates to state convention, give some kind of entertainment, social, contest or market to raise money to send them. I believe you will answer to all these plans of our dear president,

then help the state superintendents of our various departments by keeping an account of all work done and sending it in on time, a list of departments and name with address of each superintendent was sent out in July issue. We have taken up thirteen. They are: Work among colored people; anti-gambling; anti-narcotics; press; flower mission; medal contests; Sabbath observance; systematic giving literature; mercy; junior L. T. L.; parliamentary usage and physical culture. Now, if a legion can not do work in all these departments, they can in some of them, so select the ones you can do work in and if you do not know who the superintendent is, just drop me a postal telling what you wish to know and I will forward it to the superintendent and it will not be long until you will get an answer from the one who will help you as we do have **earnest devoted** leaders at the head of these departments who want to see their work go on. And this is our very best year in department work, the largest graduates class, 2,000 subscribers to *Crusader Monthly*, 150 graduates, all present at our state convention to be held at Greencastle this summer, together with all who have graduated in former years, as well as all earnest seniors, and all with dues paid into our state treasurer, at close of year, June 15, 1909, then we can have a fine convention and be able to get our annual report printed. Lovingly to help.

IDA M. MIX.

THE FRANCES WILLARD MEMORIAL, FEB. 17.

Advertise your meeting from every pulpit, in the local papers and by personal post cards, invitations to the citizens, men and women, whom you would like to have present

High License will be passe; by this legislature unless a continual stream of protesting letters, and visitors change the present attitude.

Every woman and every man can write a letter today. Please do it now. Protest against a High License Liquor law of any kind. Write to members of legislature.

FIELD NEWS

Muncie—An effort was made to double the membership of the Normal City Union and we more than succeeded, under the sweet influence and well-conducted plans of our dear President, Mrs. Bond (of whom we all feel it is an honor to work for). A contest was decided on; sides were chosen by captains; Mrs. Clara Birt leading the blue ribboners, Mrs. Gay Calvert the red ribboners. The contest was open for four weeks, during which time both sides worked diligently, each side eager to have the honor of gaining the most members. Thirty-two active members were enrolled, the blue ribboners have eighteen; the white ribboners gained fourteen. We were highly elated over the success of the contest, and in honor of the event held a reception for the new members, in which we also entertained our husbands and families. A short program was rendered, after which an oyster supper was served.

Mrs. Gay Calvert, Press Supt.

The Hartford City W. C. T. U. met January 12, Mrs. Stahl residing. After the devotions, Mrs. Anna Moore read a paper on "A Mother's Influence;" Mrs. Johns gave a short parliamentary drill. This was followed by a talk on Woman's Suffrage by Mrs. Moffett. She said in part: "There are about 300,000 women in Indiana who pay taxes and are not represented in the halls of legislature. One half the people of the state are deprived of the ballot because they are women."

"President Roosevelt in his address to congress did not advocate women's suffrage but he did recommend that the salary of the president be increased to \$100,000 per year and four new battle ships to cost \$10,000,000 each and that the salaries of the judges be doubled.

"Taxation without representation was tyranny in 1775-76. What are we as unfranchised citizens to think of it now? The deluded idea that women will be unwomanly and neglect her home is, if she uses the ballot, proven false by the hundred who march to the poles on election days in states and countries where women vote."

Petitions will be sent to congress asking for woman's suffrage.

Elkhart—The month of December will go down in the history of Elkhart Central Union as a most interesting period. This month is marked by four special meetings.

Pulaski County's Gain—Mrs. Ellen L. Potter, President of Pulaski county, was married to M. Erasmus Allen on November 15th at Ehornhope. They had been youthful lovers, but were separated for years, Mr. Allen living in Kansas. Each had married and been bereaved by death. In maturer years again they plighted their troth, and now are happily united in marriage. The *Message* extends cordial congratulations.

The Ossian W. C. T. U. held its second Matrons' Silver Medal contest Thursday evening, December 3rd, at the Presbyterian church. There was a well-filled house, and each number on the program was interesting and delivered in a pleasing manner. The contestants were Mesdames Carrie Martin, Lulu Hoopengardner, Laura Gorrell, J. V. Allen and Lillian Bash. Mrs. Bash won the medal. Music for the occasion was furnished by the Misses Orpha Bailey, Eva Kline, Ilo Elzey, Opal Quackenbush, Inez Gorrell and Mrs. George Glass. Mrs. Hagler gave a very interesting report

from the State W. C. T. U. Convention at Bedford. There is in Indiana at the present time seven thousand members of this great organization. We hope for ten thousand before the next State Convention, which shall be held at Muncie in 1909. Mrs. Pearl Rector gave a very amusing reading, which received the hearty applause which it deserved. A liberal collection was taken after which Rev. Rhodes pronounced the benediction.

Dearborn County, Bright Union—We had Mrs. Gertrude Fulton with us on World's Temperance Sunday; she gave a very interesting talk in the Presbyterian church Sunday morning, and in the evening a mass meeting was held in the M. E. church. The Senior L. T. L. sang several rousing temperance songs and Charles Heiskel recited "The South is Going Dry." The Junior L. T. L. sang one song, and little Glays Gibson, daughter of our County W. C. T. U. President, delighted the audience with a recitation. But the best of all was Mrs. Fulton's splendid address on the work of the W. C. T. U., with especial emphasis on the department of Christian Citizenship. Every one was delighted with Mrs. Fulton, and we hope to have her back to Bright some time.

Laporte Union—Again Laporte has been victorious. Last July the manager of the five-cent theater was going to present to the city council a petition asking permission to give shows on Sunday evening. The W. C. T. U. also prepared a petition in opposition to the act. On learning this the man did not present his so there was no need of action either way. On December 30th, the manager of the Hall's theater without consulting any one advertised a show for Sunday evening, January 3rd. This again aroused the good people. Pastors and laymen said this shall not be. The warning was given but was not heeded. Sabbath eve the curtain went up. No sooner up than down. The managers were arrested and taken to the office of Justice Grover where they were given a hearing. During their stay the head man announced to the house that the curtain did not work and needed fixing but would soon be repaired and all would be lovely. Meanwhile the orchestra entertained the small audience with choice music. The managers gave bond "the time for their trial having been named" and returned to the hall and gave their show. This was very embarrassing to all concerned. Later they promised to do different and that they would undertake no more Sunday shows. So the trial was recalled. The members of this union and other good people feel that their prayers and efforts have not been in vain and will pray and work on.

Indianapolis Frances Willard—On the afternoon of January 12, union met at the home of Mrs. A. R. Grey, 2610 College avenue. Rev. Crist of the Moravian church, an honorary member, gave an instructive parliamentary drill. At roll call, each member repeated a verse of Scripture. Next month each verse is to contain the word "Charity."

Mrs. Maggie Gibson, of Bright, County President, attended the regular meeting of the Cold-springs Union, December 1st, and gave a report of the State Convention, and also explained the Plan of the County Work for this year. Almost every member was present and several visitors. This Union is small in numbers, but loyal and true to the cause.

Mrs. Kemp gave a good report of the meeting of the local council of women. A dollar for general expenses was sent by a friend. Mrs. Frances Williams, also contributed a dollar for same. Mrs. Mary McDermid spoke on press work. She urged the need of keeping our work before the public by press reports, that it may understand that we are here to say and that a discerning public may know that we do not spend our time in idle gossip. She also deplored the fact that so many of our temperance sermons, lectures and meetings do not reach the persons that so badly need them. A letter from Mrs. Waldren of Riverside, was read to the union, telling of persecution to her family by the saloon element, the result of her activity against the liquor business. A letter of sympathy was sent to her and a special meeting appointed for her home.

Mrs. McDermid

College Corner—Mrs. Gertrude Fulton of Portland, delegate to the National W. C. T. U. convention at Denver, Col., made a fine report of the convention at an afternoon meeting held in the Methodist church.

Hamilton W. C. T. U. met at the pleasant home of Mrs. Robert Renner, Tuesday afternoon, January 12th. Our beloved county president, Mrs. Edna Smith of Ray was present and gave a very interesting and inspiring report of the National convention at Denver, where she was the honored delegate from this district. The report was indeed an incentive to the white ribboners who heard it to work with renewed energy in our noble cause and was, therefore, highly appreciated and a unanimous vote of thanks was given Mrs. Smith, after which a delightful supper was served by the ladies of the union.

The Cold Springs W. C. T. U. held a Mother's meeting at the home of Mrs. Sarah Evans. A choice and interesting program was rendered, including music, select reading, "A Discouraged Mother," Mrs. Della Williams; "Lottie's Message," Mrs. Mary Burroughs; select reading, "The Christian Home," Mrs. Sarah Evans.

Thornton W. C. T. U. received two new members the first quarter with the promise of more. The officers for the year are: President, Mrs. Ann McLaughlin; vice president, Mrs. Mary Jenkins; recording secretary, Mrs. Estella Stubbs; corresponding secretary, Mattie C. Peery; treasurer, Mrs. John Templeton.

THE MESSAGE.

Miss Myrtle Kyger

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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CALL FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

The mid-year executive meeting will be held at Noblesville, Ind., April 5 and 6. The first meeting will be a business session at 2 p. m., the 5th. The last meeting will be at 1:30 p. m. on the 6th. Every member of the Executive Committee is expected to be present.

The Executive Committee consists of the Board of Trustees, Secretary of the Young Woman's Christian Temperance Union Branch, Secretary of the Loyal Temperance Legion Branch, Editor of State paper, President and Secretary of the Board of Superintendents, and the President of each County Union.

CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

HOW THE GOVERNMENT AIDS THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

(Mrs. Gertrude Q. Campbell.)

Dr. Woodrow Wilson, President of Princeton University, said in a recent address: "The tariff, after all, is central to half the questions which now perplex us in regard to the reform of our economic structure, and processes," and added, "The power of the Government to tax ought never to be used to confer privileges upon individuals or groups of individuals."

This power, however, has been conferred to the detriment of the people, and the motives have been glossed over, and made political issues, until comparatively few comprehend the power with which the people of the United States today are struggling. Many do not understand the workings of a protective tariff, and the privileges of money getting, it confers on those who are protected. Especially is this true of temperance workers, and that we may have some knowledge of the power with which the people of the United States today are struggling. Many do not understand the workings of a protective tariff, and the privileges of money getting, it confers on those who are protected. Especially is this true of temperance workers, and that we may have some knowledge of power behind the liquor traffic take whisky and spirits, protected \$2.25 per gallon. This means that the retailer must buy it of the manufacturer at an advance of \$2.25 over the cost of production, or, if he buys it outside the United States, he must pay a fine of \$2.25 to the Government for the privilege of bringing it in. It being easier, he pays the manufacturer the \$2.25 advance, and the manufacturer hands \$1.10, called "internal revenue," to the Government and puts the remaining dollar in his pocket as profit. This on an article that costs about fifteen cents. The people are taxed by the Government to support an army of gaugers, detectives and revenue officers, to make sure that the \$1.10 is collected, and no one manufacturer distills liquors who does not pay. The retailer gets in his work, the people bear the burden of crime, debauchery, agony, insanity, degeneracy and pauperism. If this privilege conferred by the Government power to tax were taken from the manufacturers of intoxicants (do not forget that word means poisons) there would not be so much money behind the liquor interests to defeat the will of the people, buy its representatives to the law-making bodies of the state and nation, and spread its slimy wreck and corpse-strewn trail over the body politic and social.

Prof. Walter Rauschenbusch, of Rochester, N. Y., in an address delivered before he vangelical-Social Congress at Dessau, Germany, in regard to America's drink problem, said: "Our fight in America is now with the great capitalists who battle for their interests, with a power that injures the people, in order to obtain dividends* * * You do not yet know in Germany of the artifice, the cunning, the criminal force which these money interests display in America."

REPORT OF LOCAL OPTION ELECTIONS.

(From Daily Newspapers.)

Tuesday, February 23, 1909—Elections were held in five counties as follows: Grant, Howard, Newton, Adams and Daviess. All Dry.

Five counties in Indiana, two of them large and with populous cities, voted yesterday to oust the saloons. The size of the majorities was surprising.

At 2 o'clock this morning it was evident the "dry's" majority in Grant county would exceed two thousand. Out of eighty-five precincts, eighty-three had been heard from and the "dry" majority at that time reached 1,993. The two unheard from precincts are in the country and will probably increase the majority.

Center township in which Marion is located, voted "wet" by only 18 majority. This included the Soldiers' Home vote which gave the "wets" two hundred majority. The city of Marion may be said to have voted "dry."

The election in Grant county went off quietly, and a fairly full vote was cast.

Voters of the country and in the small towns

were aroused at daylight by a discharge of firearms and the ringing of church bells. Neeley Ratliff, a farmer in Franklin township, caused excitement at 5 o'clock in the morning by ringing a large dinner bell. His neighbors supposed that he was sounding an alarm of fire or burglary, and many of them arose and hurried to his home, only to find that he was a local option enthusiast.

Most of the eighty-five precincts reported that three-fourths of the vote had been polled at noon. The liquor men used automobiles and rigs in getting out their vote and were very aggressive. The "drys" had to use private rigs, the "wets" having slipped up on them and secured most of the livery vehicles in advance.

Women were active in outside precincts in getting out the vote of the "drys." A number of women remained at the polls at Gas City most of the day, imploring the men to "Vote for me." Women also worked at the Soldiers' Home. At Roseburg the W. C. T. U. women served free lunch to all the voters.

Howard County by 1,800.

The majority for the "drys" in Howard county will reach 1,800. The city of Kokomo, however, went "wet" by 212. Every other township in the county went "dry."

"Drys" Carried Adams.

Adams county, the northernmost county of this congressional district, went dry by about 600. The town of Decatur, the county-seat, went dry by 100. The temperance forces carried every township in the county, though Adams county in elections is 1,200 Democratic.

Newton County Also.

In Newton county in the north part of the state the "drys" majority reached 250.

And Then Daviess.

In Daviess county of which Washington is the county seat, the "wets" were put to the bad frightfully. The "drys" carried every township in the county and twenty-six out of the thirty-four precincts. The "dry" majority was 1,357.

February 24, 1909—Morgan county voted dry having a majority of about 1,055 in that county.

Thursday, February 25, 1909—Fountain, Hendricks, Fayette, and Carroll counties will hold elections. Friday, Gibson. Saturday, Rush county.

Counties Previously Voted Dry.

Randolph, Noble, Hamilton, Tipton, Lawrence, Switzerland, Putnam, Decatur, Pike, Wabash, Huntington, Parke.

Counties Dry by Remonstrance.

Boone, Brown, Clay, Clinton, Crawford, DeKalb, Fulton, Henry, Johnson, Kosciusko, Monroe, Lagrange, Morgan, Orange, Owen, Pulaski, Scott, Sullivan, Steuben, Union, Warren, Wells, White, Washington.

Counties Voted Wet.

Wayne.
Counties voted dry.....36
Counties in the state.....92

This week will witness a severe contest over Hanly local option in twelve Indiana counties.

RUM AND DRUGS RUINING THE WOMEN OF AMERICA

Result Is Increase of Degenerate Children, Says Woman Head of Training School for Girls.

(Chicago Correspondent in Exchange.)

That American women of the large cities, through the use of drugs and intoxicants, are causing an increase of degeneracy in children was the warning delivered by Mrs. Ophelia Amigh, head of the State Training School for Girls at Geneva, Ill., in an address to the West End Women's club.

"America for years has furnished conditions peculiarly favorable to degeneracy," declared Mrs. Amigh. "The strenuous life of the average American citizen has many aspects bearing on degeneracy in general, and vice and crime in particular. Lust for wealth, desire for social supremacy, ambition for fame, love of display, late hours, lack of rest—especially by women—all these factors combine to cause a distinctly American disease.

"The American women of the fashionable set lives in a whirl of unhealthful stress and excitement. She sleeps too little and keeps her nerves constantly on the qui vive. She tipsles and drugs for headaches and insomnia, due to her unhygienic mode of life. She is often a degenerate and the mother of a degenerate, if indeed she be a mother at all.

"This drinking among women is getting to be more common than we are willing to believe, and it is one of the greatest dangers with which we are confronted today.

"The hurry and fret of American life are turning out degenerates at a rate that will one day stagger the world.

"Ignorance and bad parentage are doing the work in many instances, and girls comparatively

good are led off by bad men and worse women.

"Children who have been well born and should have been well reared find their way into the schools for delinquents, the jails, penitentiaries and insane hospitals. The heredity of many of these children is appalling and their environment does the rest.

"We have received more than 1,400 girls into our school, and with few exceptions they have been children of alcohol inheritance. Are they to be blamed for the circumstances surrounding their young lives? Not at all.

"The number of moral imbeciles that come to us is simply appalling, and you have object lessons enough right here in Chicago, New York and other cities. Degenerate theatricals have much to do with it."

COUNTY OPTION.

The only possible chance to save the county option law is to influence the senators now to refuse to vote for its repeal. By a big majority the senate passed the Sunday base ball bill, the same men will vote to repeal county option unless they hear from home. Every woman who reads these lines can help to save the county option law viz: By getting telegrams and telephone messages sent to senators. The W. C. T. U. will, no doubt, everywhere pay for sending telegrams—write the telegrams, and get prominent men to sign them, then see that they are sent immediately. Suggestive telegrams, addressed, Senator _____, State House, Indianapolis, Ind.

"Great Interest here in county option law. Don't vote repeal."

"For the sake of our homes, town, county, vote against the repeal county option."

"Disastrous now to vote for repeal of county option."

Telegrams signed by two or three prominent men will have influence. Send telegrams from organizations signed by the officers.

Women will you help now? Will you each one do all that you can just as soon as these lines are read? County option is the best law we have and we must not let it be repealed when work and three or four dollars from each union will prevent repeal. Prohibition state-wide, is what we want and what we will get eventually, in the meantime, we must hold on to this county option.

In the state where counties are voting dry, it is hard for our good people to realize the mighty work being done here at the capitol by the liquor interests. Never has there been such a powerful moneyed lobby, such determination and effective work right in the face of the counties voting out the saloon at such a rapid rate.

Except for the canvass of the state by the W. C. T. U. with petitions for state-wide prohibition, arousing public sentiment, and later the letters, telegrams and personal appeals made to legislators the county option law would have been repealed early in the session of the legislature. By the hardest work we have caused delay in repeal, now is the crisis and only heroic persistent work and the expenditure of money for telegrams, telephone messages and special delivery letters will prevent repeal.

Few telegrams of ten words from any part of Indiana will cost more than thirty-five or forty cents, nearer the rate is twenty-five cents.

Many good men will help if you will "put on your bonnet" and go right out and tell them the conditions and ask them to help with their time and influence. The only influence that counts now against repeal of county option is "hearing from home." No legislator can afford to disregard requests made by his constituency, hence the necessity of making these requests and not taking too much for granted.

If you were at the capitol now and knew of the power of the liquor lobby you would, I am sure, help in this time of greatest need. Your estimate of what you can do may seem of little consequence but remember when Napoleon moved southward from his disastrous march on Moscow, a single snowflake dropped silently down through the air—white, noiseless, weightless, alone, it might not have bent even the plume-tip that quivered on the soldier's helmet. The eye that saw it fall might not have been moved to repeat the glance, but there came another and still another. They fell by thousands, and tens of thousands, till emperor and common soldier alike knew their fate was sealed. They blocked the path of the infantry, of the horsemen; they made the wheels of the artillery to drive heavily until beneath those snowflakes, so insignificant in themselves, the once conquering legions sank, like Pharaoh's host in the waves of returning seas.

We must not fail to realize the importance of little efforts, how in their aggregate they are powerful. By these individual efforts we will secure legislation for the better protection of our homes and gain the victory over the liquor hosts. Anxiously

LUELLA F. McWHIRTER,
State Superintendent Legislation.

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Mrs. Rose Pierce urgently requests that all mail sent to her, be addressed to Cayuga, her correct address. A mistake in the February Message giving her address, Lafayette, has caused much inconvenience.

Mrs. Isabelle Rice, claiming to be from New York appeared in Grant county speaking in the interests of the "wets" at different places. She claimed to have indorsement from the Union Signal. I telegraphed to the editor to find if this were true and received the following reply:

Evanston, Ill., February 22, 1909.

Dear Mrs. Vayhinger:

I enclose clipping from the U. S. which tells all we know of Mrs. Isabelle Rice. I have been at headquarters twelve years and never heard of her until she appeared last year in South Carolina.

Printed in Union Signal, May 21, 1908.

A DELUDED WOMAN.

A Mrs. Isabelle Rice, who claims to be an evangelist from New York, is holding street meetings in the cities of North Carolina, in the interests of the antiprohibitionists. Among other testimonials to her efficiency and good character, Mrs. Rice claims to have the indorsement of the Union Signal. Needless to say, no such indorsement has ever been given within the memory of the oldest member of the Union Signal staff, and Mrs. Rice was never head of any official at W. C. T. U. headquarters until she appeared in the South as the champion of the liquor interests. According to newspaper reports, her efforts seem to have the opposite effect from that intended and desired, as "many turned away in disgust at the sight of a woman taking the stump against temperance. Several who had intended to vote "wet" went away declaring that they will now vote "dry."

It is a well established fact that no matter how low a man may sink in the moral scale, he never loses his ideal for woman. And the woman who throws her influence on the wrong side of a moral question invariably forfeits the esteem of those whose interests she seeks to promote. Happily, there are but few women who can be induced to publicly espouse a cause that stands for the degradation of womanhood, even though the material compensation offered is great. And these few are objects of disgust and commiseration on the part of friend and foe alike.—U. S., May 21, 1908.

I hope all the women will bear this in mind and when she comes to your county let this be known.

Yours,
CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

GOOD OFFICERS.

First. To be a good corresponding secretary is to attend each meeting of the union as far as possible, note all business transacted, report to state and county secretaries all newly elected officers immediately after election, write all letters of business, sympathy, congratulations etc., answer all

letters promptly. Report the news from the field in her own union meetings.

Second. To be a good recording secretary, study the duty of recording secretary from state minutes, Sec. 4; keep an accurate account of the proceedings of the meetings, which, when approved, shall be copied in a permanent record book. The duties of a recording secretary are numerous. The recording of the minutes of previous meetings also executive meetings, calling the roll, recording all business transacted, all resolutions adopted, all motions made, with names of those making them, all motions lost unless otherwise ruled, keep a record of the program as fully as the union desires, names of those taking part, the principal point of addresses and discussions, no bills should be paid except on order drawn by the recording secretary and signed by the president. Notify committees and superintendents of their appointments also the members of special meetings, when so requested.

Third. A good treasurer must be untiring in her efforts until paid is written opposite the names of every member of the union. This may necessitate a visit, a personal reminder to many of the members. To make plans to raise money and gain new members as well being prompt in sending reports to county treasurer at the end of each quarter are excellent qualities of this particular office. To live up to what the constitution requires not only make good, but model officers.

Richmond, Ind., Feb. 17, 1909.

Dear Editor Message—

We did what we could in the way of writing letters to Legislators as suggested; and have received from our County Representative assurance that there will be no change at this time in the way of appointing the Board of the Women's Prison Girls' School etc.

The women of Indiana are certainly indebted to their superintendent of legislation and petition for promptness in looking up the things to be done and clearness in directing how to do them. "I know the W. C. T. U. of Indiana wants to say 'Amen.'"

Peace and Arbitration.

Also kindly let me say this word to all those who wish to do something for peace this year. 1. Read what you see in the daily and weekly press, so as to keep posted as to things of today in regard to preparation for war and movements that make for peace. 2. Speak of these things among your friends and so arouse more interest in the work. 3. Do your best to have the 18th of May (Hague Day) commemorated in your public schools and hold a social Peace Meeting in the evening, inviting men and women guests. 4. Get subscribers to the Messenger of Peace, take it yourself; get every local union to take a copy, and when you have nothing to report at your monthly business meeting, read an article from The Messenger of Peace. New York unions distribute about 300 copies of this paper and in no other way that I know of can 25 cents do so much for the cause. I wish I could say that the paper is taken in every union in the state of Indiana. Get subscribers at your county institutes. Your for earnest work, H. Lavinia Bailly, superintendent.

February 8th, the Anderson Y. W. C. T. U. held their regular meeting combined with social features at the home of their president, Miss Sears, assisted by Misses Adaline and Nellie Bell Van Loon. The "Y. Year Books" programs were filled, and games and dainty refreshments closed one of the most enjoyable evenings. The Anderson Y's are growing in influence and numbers.

Money Raising Calendars.

The calendar plan of raising money has been found very successful in different church societies. Why not try it in the W. C. T. U.?

Twelve women are chosen for the months, each of these women chose four other women as weeks, each of these (women) weeks find for themselves seven (women) days.

All the months, weeks, and days save a penny a day, and at the end of each month a calendar meeting is held to which all money is sent or brought. Men and children can take part in the calendar. Where the community is small a six months' calendar can be made successful.

January 3rd, our dear state president was greeted with a large and enthusiastic audience at the M. E. church. The number only exceeded when ex-Governor Hanly was here. Very many were the words of appreciation, and we trust that the slumbering conscience was awakened to see the need of the hour. January 4th, she addressed a mothers' meeting, placing clearly the responsibility of motherhood and the need of early training.

Frances Willard Memorial service was fittingly observed. Our beloved county president giving the human side of her life. Three other papers were given by members of the union. February 24th the union met at the home of Mrs. Dr. A. H. Sears, after a business session, Mrs. Leib, our retired president, gave a report of the temperance work in Florida. She spoke of the enthusiasm in the South land and how proudly they wear the bow of white ribbon. Refreshments were served and all felt repaid. Your for service, Mrs. Tilman Hobson.

FRANCES WILLARD MEMORIAL.

Under the auspices of Central W. C. T. U. of Lafayette, Indiana, a very impressive public memorial service was held in St. Paul's M. E. church on Sunday afternoon, February 21.

Invitations to the various local unions, and to the public in general had been extended through the columns of the local papers, with the result that a large audience was present.

A noticeable feature being the large percentage of men present. The weather was ideal and the excellent program was well rendered.

The musical features were a vocal solo, "Lead, Kindly Light," by Miss Edna Battreall. Vocal solo, "Is It Very Far to Heaven," by Little Ruth Harrison, eight years of age, and a cornet solo by Paul Smith. The Scripture lesson read by Rev. L. S. Smith. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Henry Budge, county president of Tippecanoe county.

Familiar hymns were sung by the audience. Rev. Lewis S. Smith, pastor of St. Paul's church gave the memorial address in a concise manner, briefly touching upon the principal events in the life of Frances Willard and paying a touching tribute to her memory.

He was followed by Rev. Demetrius Tillotson of Trinity church, this city, who gave a very logical address on "The Present Status of the Temperance Question in Indiana." This was delivered in his usual forceful and convincing manner.

The offering was a generous one. The event a complete success and Central Union feels that this was indeed a red letter day. Mrs. W. E. BUNNY, Local Press Superintendent.

Mrs. Sarah Shugart Edgarson, state superintendent of jail and prison work, Jonesboro, Indiana, is spending a few months in Texas and writes from the Star state many things worthy of mention. First, she commends all workers to be in such close touch to God that our friends may know we have faith in God and are complying with His word. Eccl. 11-6. And as is characteristic of our white ribboners that in what ever state or clime they are at work in the cause we represent. She states having attended a Friends meeting and secured 53 members for the W. C. T. U. and in another meeting eleven more.

In the state where roses are blooming and where ripe strawberries and oranges are abundant, our sister says she is having a good time, but does not forget her special department and is praying for the workers.

AN OPEN LETTER TO TEACHERS.

A teacher in the public schools has a wonderful opportunity to mould the character of the children and young people. Teachers believe in temperance and teach it scientifically, not simply because it is the law, but because they want to help the child, and are desirous of having their influence tell for good.

I am writing to you because I believe you can be interested in the Medal Contest work, a department of the state and national Woman's Christian Temperance Union. You have bright, active boys and girls under your charge, who will be delighted to take part in these contests. You may have the material for a future orator in your school, but this talent will lie dormant unless it is given a chance to develop. Will you give them this opportunity?

Teachers who have taken up the work, say that they have found it very beneficial. It strengthens the memory, overcomes timidity, improves the public appearance, gives poise and grace to the bearing, and as one must thoroughly understand a subject before he can properly declaim it, his reasoning powers are brought into play, and the whole mentality is strengthened. But, aside from all this, in the selections prepared for this particular purpose, he is gradually growing to hate the saloon and its evil influences.

We receive many testimonials from teachers who have given this work a trial. We quote the following from a state superintendent of education:

"I desire to heartily endorse the plan of Medal Contests, which has been established by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. I cannot see how the plan could possibly be a detriment to school work, but can see where great good could come, not only to the pupils in the public schools and those taking part in these contests, but in cultivating a sentiment in favor of temperance."

We want a campaign of contests in the schools of your county. Hold a silver medal contest in your school, and then have six schools which have held these go together and hold a gold. This is only one plan. The contests may be held in the different grades of your own school, holding a series in each grade. You will be surprised at the enthusiasm this work creates.

Send to the address below for illustrated catalogue containing cuts and prices of medals, plans of work, etc.

Will you help us in this educational work?

Yours sincerely,
MRS. JULIA OVERMAN,
State Sup't, Marion, Ind.

PLAN OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEMPERANCE BOX.

5 millions of dollars given for Foreign Missions—purple ribbon.
25 millions of dollars spent for Chewing Gum—yellow ribbon.
150 millions of dollars given for Christian work in the United States—blue ribbon.
500 millions of dollars spent for Amusements—pink ribbon.
700 millions of dollars spent for Bread!—white ribbon.

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900 millions of dollars spent for Tobacco—brown ribbon.

1,800 millions of dollars spent for Liquor—red ribbon.

Through holes in the sides and ends of the box draw out the ribbon while speaking. Get young people to walk out in the aisles and hold extended ribbons until explanation is finished.

MRS. MARTHA RIDENOUR,
Pres. Ft. Wayne Union Allen Co.

FLOWER MISSIONS.

"Flowers Are God's Own Messengers."

Dear Flower Mission Comrades, while we all rejoice over the work of 1908, we must not "rest upon our oars," but rather let this be an incentive to greater work in the future. We must not only hold our own, but endeavor as much as possible to increase this blessed work every year. Last year's work gives us a glimpse of the possibilities of the Flower Mission department. From our National report we learn that 15,055,466 bouquets were distributed in 1908 more than half million increase in one year. Our National Superintendent, Miss Sewall, tells us such a thing has never been known in the history of the Flower Mission department. She also tells us we have fallen behind last year's figures in growing plants, jellies, garments, Flower Mission Meetings, and amount of money expended. Let us keep this fact in mind and I am sure we will all do our best to increase the work along these lines. A prize of two dollars and a half (gold piece) will be given to the Loyal Temperance Legion distributing the largest number of bouquets. This is the national prize, and Indiana Y. T. L. with God as their leader and with our beloved state Superintendent, Mrs. Ida Mix, to pilot them, can win this prize, We must.

Please note carefully the following recommendations:

Two million bouquets for 1909!

(An increase in the use of text cards. That every local union hold at least one Flower Mission meeting during the year. That every local union plant a tree in some public place on Arbor Day! That you watch for an opportunity to establish city Flower Mission in one of our large cities.

A wider distribution of Flower Mission literature.

"The joy of life is doing good according to a plan," and we not only accomplish more, but do it in a better way, when we are systematic in our work, and it need lose none of its sweetness because it is recorded in a note book. So let each of us keep an itemized account of all our work and report to local superintendent and she will report to county superintendent.

With deep gratitude to all Flower Mission workers for your hearty co-operation,

Your loving comrade,

VIOLA R. HARVEY,
State Superintendent.

SUNDAY BASEBALL BILL IS PASSED SENATE ADOPTS THE HOUSE MEASURE

Now Goes to the Governor—Opponents of the Bill
Complain of Gag Rule—Cheer Over
Results Is Suppressed.

The Indiana Legislature went on record today as favoring Sunday base ball, when the Senate passed Representative Brolley's Sunday baseball bill by a vote of 30 to 18. The House had already passed the bill, and it now goes to the governor.

Enemies of the measure, by clever manipulation of parliamentary rules, were not allowed to debate on the merits of the bill. The Senate corridors and galleries were crowded during the discussion of the baseball bill and were orderly during the entire time of consideration.

Only one wild warwhoop was sent up by an overzealous baseball supporter after the bill passed, and he was promptly escorted from the Senate chamber by Lieutenant-Governor Hall. General indignation reigned among the opponents of the measure, "Gag-rule" being charged.

The bill was called up by Senator Bland, through an arrangement made with Senator Durre. The main opposition to the bill, as little as it was, was led by Senators Mattingly, Pearson and Kirkman. Stotsenburg, Kistler, Durre and Kane led the fight for the Sunday baseballists.

LEGISLATION CONCERNING WOMEN.

A bill has been introduced in both houses providing for the appointment of women on the managing boards for state institutions where women and children are inmates. This should become a law.

Please consider what it means! Have letters sent to the members of committees having the bills in charge. This appeal for letters to be sent is of utmost importance if you desire that women should serve with men in the management of state institutions in which are included women and children.

Personal letters and letters from women's societies besides letters from men will have much influence. Women taxpayers will certainly write to their legislators.

Men say the women are not seeking additional privileges, if they wanted them they would say so. Possibly if our more than 7000 W. C. T. U. women in Indiana each wrote to her legislator one letter concerning this matter and one letter against repeal of county option and each woman influenced one man to do the same, it might cause some legislators to change their opinions and induce them to help clean up old Indiana.

LUELLA F. McWHIRTER,
Superintendent Legislation.

Committees having in charge the bills concern-

ing women on state boards:

Senate Committee—Senators H. L. Hanna, J. J. Higgins, Wm. Gonnerman, Geo. E. Hanna, S. A. Powers, C. K. McCullough, S. D. Clark.

House Committee—Representatives Robert Tomlinson, S. Askren, A. J. Behymer, F. I. Galbraith, J. H. Hill, J. B. Merriman, E. W. Wickey, W. S. Ratcliff, A. M. Gardner.

FIELD NEWS.

The Madison, Jefferson County, Union, held their regular monthly business meeting and a very impressive Francis Willard memorial meeting at the L. T. L. parlor the afternoon of Feb. 9th. Mrs. Hanger, the newly elected president being absent, Mrs. G. E. Denny, our beloved x-president and now vice, presided. After the devotional the unusual regular business form was carried out and business transacted. The following announcements were made: Mrs. Denny saying that arrangements were being made to have the Franklin Glee Club come to Madison in the near future.

Mrs. Geo. Augustine, Jefferson county's hustling president, presented a petition, asking the legislature to retain women on the board of trustees at the Woman's Reformatory at Indianapolis. The petition having been sent by Mrs. Louella McWhirter, the state superintendent of legislation, was readily signed by many.

The memorial program was beautifully and fittingly begun with a piano solo by Miss Hellen Lodge, "The Brook." Reading, "Miss Willard's Call to the Temperance Platform," by Mrs. Oliver Holwager; Vocal solo, "God Gives Us Home," very sweetly sung by Mrs. Fredenburg. Reading, "The Greatest of American Heroines," by Mrs. Jenny Simpson, "Memorial sentences of Miss Willard's Sayings," were voluntarily given by members. Closing with the "Mispah" the meeting adjourned. Mary E. Bayless.

The Deer Creek W. C. T. U. has many times been tried and not found wanting. Tuesday morning, Feb. 9th, the eighteenth anniversary, greeted us with high wind and rain. But the white ribboners know no such word as fail. There was no exception to the rule on this occasion. Long before the noon hour, more than half the space in the West Branch church was taken and at the beginning of the afternoon session the church was crowded to the limit. The principal subjects were "The Girlhood of Frances E. Willard," by Miss Ella Brewer; "Why Do Boys Go Wrong?" by Mrs. Nellie B. Kelley; "The Effect of the Use of Cigarettes. On the Growing Boy," by Mrs. Cammack Gibson; "The Child Labor Question," by Marcus M. Thomas, each were in turn discussed with credit. Also much enthusiasm, for the pending local option in Grant county to be determined at a called election on the 23rd. All in all a grand good day was the verdict. And with the two new members, Mrs. Mary Drukenmiller and Miss Alice Drunkenmiller, added to our working force, we will continue to aim high, with our artillery pointed squarely at the enemy of the home—the licensed saloon. Mrs. Sue Ratcliff.



MRS. EMILY M'INTOSH,
State Supt Work Among Colored People

The Keystone Union held a very enthusiastic meeting at the home of Mrs. Black, January 22. A good program was rendered, and all felt encouraged. The membership contest report showed seventeen new members. Thirteen active, four honorary. Three babes were received and the white ribbon tied on their wrists. Mrs. E. A. Willis, county president, was present and gave some illustrations of the departments as they appeared at the National convention, with many words of encouragement, which were appreciated by all. Today, Feb. 4th, the last saloon in Wells county closes its doors. We praise God, but realize the fight has only begun.

(Mrs.) Johanna S. Marsh.

The Seymour W. C. T. U. held an interesting meeting. Important business was followed by terse temperance quotations, good music and excellent papers. Two new members. A large attendance. A membership contest to be celebrated in March.

The Boonville W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Robert Wilkerson, Jan. 26. Large number present. Mrs. N. C. Readower of Evansville, delegate to the National convention with us. She gave fine report, which was very much appreciated by those present. Local unions would do well to have her visit them. (Mrs.) Jennie Kaegle, Co. Pres.

Hamilton County white ribboners have met since the State convention. Delegates from seven

unions were present. The least per cent of the members of the unions represented was 5 per cent and the largest, was 66 per cent. The banner for attendance was awarded to Atlanta union. The business of the forenoon was promptly carried on. The county voted to stand by the pledge of \$25.00 given at the State convention by the county president for State Wide Prohibition. They also decided to compile a song book for the county. Our delegate to the National gave a very good report giving us a new inspiration in the work.

The Superintendent of Schools of Huntington county, Ind., Mr. Ira B. Potts, has sent out to the eighth grade teachers of his county a circular letter announcing and recommending the W. C. T. U. prize essay contest. All eight grade pupils may compete, the subject chosen being, "What is the Harm in a Glass of Beer." A first prize of ten dollars in gold and a second prize of five dollars is offered by the W. C. T. U. The letter gives concise rules and directions for the contest, and announces that merchants of Huntington have offered third, fourth and fifth prizes. Further, every pupil whose essay is graded 92 per cent or higher will be allowed an additional 10 per cent in his grade in the grammar examinations. As our National superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction remarks, "When we get all the county superintendents of schools doing this sort of thing we shall be ready to take the fort!"

Every W. C. T. U. should send to Mr. Potts for a copy of the above letter of instructions to his teachers. Enclose postage for reply. By personal request other county superintendents will co-operate thus with the W. C. T. U.—(Editor.)

Redkey union gave a public meeting in the Christian Church. Mrs. Gertrude Fulton of Portland, state superintendent of Christian citizenship and delegate to the late National convention at Denver, was the speaker. She opened her address with the W. C. T. U. as topic, gave a brief account of its great growth, increasing popularity and world-wide mission. She then took up local conditions and needs, urging the necessity of true Christian citizenship in politics, business and every day life. Mrs. Fulton is a good speaker and by her earnestness and sincerity is bound to hold the attention of her audience, and her presentation of facts, mingled with little touches of pathos and humor, keep up a strong interest to the end of the discourse. Her address made a good impression and will advance the work at this place. The regular meeting of the union was held on the 23rd and plans made to increase the interest in temperance instruction in the public schools. The local union has supplied the teachers at this place up to the fifth grade with subscriptions to the Crusador Monthly, and the county president, Mrs. Hannah Andrews, is considering plans to distribute copies of the law to the teachers of the county. A new superintendent of purity in literature and art, Mrs. Ella Roberts, was elected to take the place of Mrs. Trimble who has changed her residence. It is planned to present the leaflet containing the Indiana law on this department to all business men handling books, postcards and novelties. The need of good wide awake superintendents in this department is more important than is generally admitted. There should also be some means devised to counteract the influence of the "penny dreadful" novel and the "fetching funny sheet" of certain Sunday newspapers which are undermining the morals of many children.

Deputy Union holds semi-monthly meetings regularly. Since the return of our delegates, Mrs. Emma Taff and Mrs. Vella Hughes from the state convention there has been more enthusiasm manifested. We feel quite proud of our county's advance during 1908, and we are expecting a reception by the Reds ere long, as a result of the contest for membership. Under the successful management of our president, Mrs. Dona Gudgel, a medal contest was held at Deputy, Saturday, January 9th. Miss Mary McClelland winning the medal. The union was assisted by the Deputy quartet and solos were sung by Misses Cordella Whitsitt and Lucile Cogswell. Later, Miss Whitsitt gave the recitation with which she won a gold medal recently. Mrs. M. Harod, Mrs. J. Nay and Dr. S. W. Alvis were the judges who had difficulty in deciding as all the contestants did well. The contestants were Miss Ethel Zettmeyer of Paris Crossing; Misses Mary and Aletha McClelland, Miss Myrl Hord of Deputy and Master C. Everhart of Scott county.

Mrs. Sadie Robertson, Cor. Sec.

The Elizabeth Stanley Union of Owen county held a public meeting at Mill Creek chapel on December 31, 1908. An interesting program of music and recitations was given. There was a large crowd present and the union gained two new members.

Bargersville—The annual open meeting of the Bargersville union was held January 2, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kerlin. About sixty-five were present. A program consisting of music, recitations and papers was rendered. The paper upon "Modern Newspapers," was well received, particularly the points condemning yellow journalism and Sunday newspapers with glaring headlines of murder and crimes, and also liquor advertisements. "The Neglected Factor in Our Public Education—Love for Fellow-man," was the theme of a well prepared paper. Light refreshments were added to the social features of the evening. The February meeting will be held at the home of the president, Mrs. D. W. Rapp, Bargersville.

Mrs. Lizzie Pate, Rec. Sec.

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The "Correspondence School of Gospel and Scientific Eugenics," (Race Improvement). This school is endorsed by Professors and Instructors in Schools and Universities; by Doctors, Ministers, Purity Workers, State W. C. T. U. Pres. etc., etc.. Dr. David Starr Jordan, Pres. Stanford University; Luther Burbank, one of the World's greatest scientists; Dr. Winfield Scott Hall, of Northwestern University; Prof. N. N. Riddell, one of America's leading lecturers, and others of equal note, have donated of their literary works to our School Library, thereby expressing their belief that such a School is Needed!

The object of the "Correspondence School" is to reduce sickness, intemperance, immoralities, degeneracy and unhappy homes and inharmonious marriages to a minimum, through the sacred and scientific teachings of the laws of Life, Heredity, Ethical Marriage, Scientific Parenthood, and the "Right of the child to be well born!"

For further information, write the General Secretary, Mrs. Mary E. Teats, 3517 Grand Boulevard, Chicago, Ill.

Taxes Paid by Women—In regard to taxes of women, all information can be gotten from the county books. The Suffrage Supt. here got her list from the auditor's office. Hired a clerk in the office to write it out. The amounts of tax can be obtained from the treasurer's books. In counties containing large cities the work, of course, would be much heavier. I believe names and amounts can both be secured at the treasurers' offices, and any trustworthy person can be hired to get them, if the unions do not care to do the work themselves.

Hoping this may be satisfactory, and help our cause, I am yours cordially,
(Mrs.) Gertrude Q. Campbell.

Poseyville Woman's Christian Temperance Union held a Frances E. Willard memorial service Thursday, Feb. 4th, at the home of Mrs. Anna Copeland, with a good attendance. There was a song by three little boys, Masters Paul, Charles Roren and Frederick Hawkins, Paper, Miss Willard's Girlhood, by Mrs. Alice Montgomery; Vocal solo by Mrs. Minerva Cale; Paper, "What Miss Willard Did For Women," Mrs. T. J. Williams; vocal duet, Mesdames Roren and Copeland; paper "What Miss Willard Did to Unite the North and the South," Mrs. Emma Fletchall. Responses to roll call were quotations from Miss Willard's writings. A silver offering was taken, of which \$2.00 was sent to the National Memorial Fund.

The Redkey W. C. T. U. gave a reception to the teachers and school board at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orlistas Jay, on Feb. 4th. Miss Clara Sears, of Anderson, State Treasurer of the W. C. T. U., was present and delivered the address, which was well received. Miss Nilah Jay sang a beautiful solo, "O, Eyes That Are Weary," and after the program, refreshments were served and a very pleasant social hour enjoyed. On the next day, Mrs. Hannah Andrews, county president, and Mrs. Margaret Williamson, accompanied Miss Sears to Dunkirk where arrangements were made for Miss Sears to return in a few days and thoroughly organize a strong working union at that place.

Linn Grove—A large audience greeted Dr. M. J. Fanning, the Irish orator, at the evangelical church; in spite of the inclement weather the house was full. The church was decorated with white ribbons and the American flag was draped over the pulpit. The president, Miss Lenore Hoffman, presided. Dr. Fanning made an eloquent address full of power and of humor. It carried conviction with it. He dwelt upon the question, "Who Pays the Revenue?" He showed that it was the wives and children of the drinking men. Under the prohibitory law the increased demands for the commodities of life would make an increased demand for labor thereby wages would increase as business increased. There was excellent music by the Springer quartette (four sisters), the catechism class and Miss Zoa French sang the "White, White Ribbon." There was an offering of \$28.43 in cash and subscriptions.

Mrs. Henry French.

Allen County—Dr. M. J. Fanning, under the direction of our county W. C. T. U., visited out county the 7th and 8th of this month. Sunday, Feb. 7th, he spoke three times in Ft. Wayne. Monday the eighth, coming to Monroeville, and speaking to an immense audience in the M. E. church in evening. His address was pleasing, logical and convincing. An offering of \$11.55 for the State W. C. T. U. was taken also at close of meeting. Legislature petition work was done.

(Mrs.) Florence W. Barnhart.

Brightwood Union, at Indianapolis, surprised the family of one of its members, Mrs. M. O. Routh, on Foundry street, Feb. 9th. The evening was spent in a social way and refreshments served. Mrs. Routh was presented with a copy of Longfellow's poems. This family will leave for South Dakota the first of March, for future residence. The Union wishes them success, and hopes they will be very useful to our cause in that part of our country. Our Union is increasing in interest. We have entered a contest for membership and new members are being gained.

Mrs. Edgar Brown, Press Reporter.

Indianapolis Meridian W. C. T. U. held its regular meeting with Mrs. Margaret Welling, 2114 Penn. ave. The address of the afternoon was ably given by Mr. B. F. Watson. He presented the sub-

ject of the "nude pictures" in public places. These very objectionable pictures not only in saloons, but cafes, are very harmful to the frequenters of these places. The little newsboy, the bootblack and many others under the age of 18 or 20, are influenced. These pictures are not placed in these places for art's sake or to inspire one to right thinking, but to stimulate evil habits and impure thoughts. A boy or man cannot frequent such places and see these pictures and come out even as good as when he entered.

These pictures are used in advertising, on calendars and postals. Such illustrations are carried to excess, and leave their work behind and their use should be suppressed. Mr. Watson brought with him a number of pictures and several clippings to clinch his many good points and arguments opposing the display of those pictures. It is hoped to interest the many Brotherhoods of the various churches in this work and that something will, in the near future, be done to abolish or at least modify this condition of things.

A protest goes out from this union through the county organization, against the Sunday Theater. Though in the name of charity, the desecration of the Sabbath is greatly deplored, and is merely an opening wedge to the European Sunday.

It is hoped the Matron, Mrs. Anna Logan, at the Terminal Station may be continued as the needs are very apparent. A committee was appointed to confer with the officials pertaining to this matter.

Mr. Chester Thompson gave a cornet solo. Miss Ida Moore and Mrs. H. G. Hawekotte, of the Humane Society, were introduced. The latter telling of some of the work and aims of the Society. Our county president, Mrs. Kinser, was with us, and said among other things, "You are all captains surely, in securing so many new members." 15 new members since the December meeting.

Pleasing refreshments were served by committee in charge. This committee constitutes the visiting committee, as well. A new committee is provided for each meeting. It is hoped many new members will be the result of this plan.

The next guest meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, 1917 Highland Place, March 3rd. All cordially invited.

Bedford, Ind.—Our local union is greatly rejoicing over our recent victory for local option. Our county going dry by almost 1,500 majority. Some body has been doing temperance work. We wish all the other counties of the state would do likewise. Our union has been very busy since the state convention. At present we are at work furnishing a room in our new City hospital, which shall be called W. C. T. U. room. We hope to do much good from this room with our literature, and shall pray that hearts shall be made happier and better that are sheltered in and ministered unto by the loving efforts that we have put into this room. Our last meeting was very enthusiastic. A splendid program was given. The subject being "Great Mothers." I think each one present felt that the inspiration of the hour was for holier and better living upon the part of the motherhood of the present century.

The Boonville W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. W. Z. Bennett. It was decided to send \$1.50 to the state treasurer for organization fund. The plan of work for 1908 and 1909 was discussed and each member seemed willing to do her part. The Indiana Crusade pledges were signed by all present and those who were not present will be given an opportunity at an early date. The genial hostess served a two course luncheon.

Mrs. Robert Wilkinson.

Auburn. A very delightful and profitable meeting was held Wednesday evening, January 13th, at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Freeland, when the Woman's Christian Temperance Union entertained. This was gentleman's guest day, and there were one hundred and twenty-five present to enjoy the splendid hospitality, for which the W. C. T. U. has become noted. An excellent program was rendered, consisting of several numbers by the Union quartet; a solo by Mrs. Jessie Rider Nelson of Des Moines, Iowa, and a reading by Mr. Charles Thomas. The ministers present, comprising Rev. Freeland, Rev. Slater, Rev. Elliott and the Rev. Dr. Luccock of Chicago, each gave a brief, though excellent talk, filled with sentiments helpful and elevating. County Superintendent Coe was present also, and gave a most practical and interesting talk, comprising many excellent illustrations, which have come under his personal observation. At the conclusion of the program a social hour followed and light refreshments were served in the dining room by six of the younger members of the union, who were attired in white in keeping with the flowers and house decorations which were all in white, the union's emblem. Several new members were added, and all present were inspired and strengthened for future duties, after an evening of pleasure and profit.

Jennie L. Shutt, Press Supt.

MONTPELIER W. C. T. U. met in their room at the City library, January 8th, with a good attendance and much interest. Four new members were added to the union. Every one started out with the resolution to work for the 10,000 W. C. T. U. members in Indiana in 1909. Mrs. Stanley's visit greatly benefited the union. She spent two days and two evenings here. She gave a good lecture on Monday evening and on Tuesday evening gave "At the Mercy of the State." There was a good attendance. Mrs. Stanley was invited to

speak to the schools but had to leave Montpelier Wednesday morning. Mr. Stanley accompanied her to our city. We had Mrs. S. M. Stahl of Hartford City, January 8th, to give the report of the National convention. She spoke in the evening at the Church of Christ to a well filled house. Her report of the convention was splendid. When we hear of the great things that are being accomplished over the nation, it helps us greatly.

Mrs. Charles S. Miller, Cor. Sec.

The Sardinia W. C. T. U. held a reception at the home of Mrs. Cora McDowel. There were nineteen members present, notwithstanding the stormy weather. The literary and musical entertainment was given by Mesdames Freeman, McDowel, Claypool, Cornelius, Denniston, Hubbard, Gaston and Ryan. Dainty refreshments were served by the Reds and all had a most delightful time.

E. Rose Meredith, Press Recorder.

Local Option Election Day in Hamilton county, the W. C. T. U. of Eagletown served dinner to the election board. W. C. T. U. members brought baskets filled and the dinner was prepared at the home of Mary Tracy, about thirty, counting the members of W. C. T. U. partook of the good dinner.

County Institutes will be successful just in proportion to the interest taken by the members of the local unions. To advertise the institutes well depends upon the individuals efforts of the membership. The county presidents must have co-operation of the local unions. The best speakers, the best musicians and readers are none too good for this great W. C. T. U. work. It is far more complimentary to the person desired for the program to be invited several weeks in advance. In some places the Sunday schools will assist in decorations and in the music.

Mass Temperance meetings should now be held on Sundays, arousing interest and securing funds for carrying on the work of law enforcement. Much money and much effort will be needed to keep out "blind tigers," and to urge vigilance on the part of city and county officials. Get the merchants and bankers to make statements concerning their business one month a year ago with saloons and the same month this year without saloons. Such comparisons will be of great interest.

Our Promoted Comrades

Princeton union has lost by death Mrs. Margaret Turner, a charter member, aged seventy-eight years, at the time of her death. She was a woman of strong convictions and fearless in proclaiming them. Her influence through a long life was given to the temperance cause. Though an invalid for thirty years her interest never flagged, and her advice was always helpful. The funeral service was held at her residence Jan. 22nd. The W. C. T. U. attended in a body.

Bloomington—In the death of Mrs. J. H. Loudon the union sustains a great loss.

She was a charter member and faithful to the last, going through the snow to the meeting of last week. When some who entered the work with her became discouraged and withdrew she, true her convictions, never wavered, but in her modest way added the most loyal support, the Union Signal, our national organ, ever had, she was active in raising funds for the building and maintenance of Hadley Industrial School for young girls (owned and operated by the State W. C. T. U. always helping to educate along temperance lines, was our treasurer for many years and at last promoting the movement for a W. C. T. U. drinking fountain for man and beast on the public square. So interested in the fountain she was appointed to do the corresponding and get cuts and prices. The last time the writer visited her, the earnest interest, almost enthusiasm, shone from her countenance as she showed the pictures of fountains which it seemed possible for this Union to buy.

Always conservative, her judgment safe and charitable, loved by every member her vacant place brings deep grief to her co-workers. Yet we rejoice that she lived to see the great substantial temperance wave sweeping over the world.

She leaves with us a rich legacy of good works and noble principles.

Lafayette, Ind.—We wish to announce through the Message, the sad and sudden taking away of George Conn, aged 14 years, and youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Conn, who was stricken on Monday with that dread disease, appendicitis.

He succumbed to an operation which proved successful, but it was found that peritonitis had also developed in its worst form. He was very brave and hopeful all during his illness but answered to the summons from above the Sunday morning following.

He was a very bright and intelligent boy, greatly admired by all who knew him, especially his classmates of Washington school and of Trinity M. E. Sunday school of which he was a member.

Mrs. Conn was our faithful president of Central W. C. T. U. for three years and she and the family have the deepest sympathy of each of its members as well as the entire community in their sad bereavement.—Corresponding Secretary.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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CURSE OF ALCOHOL FAR WORSE THAN TUBERCULOSIS.

Drs. MacNichol and Hughes Sound Warning as to Alcohol's Menace to Childhood.

The wealth of scientific data and investigation regarding the alcoholic problem presented at the National Scientific and Medical conference at Washington, March 17-18, deserves the conscientious study of every mind interested in the Great Reform.

The scope of the papers presented and the overwhelming evidence adduced to show the continual menace of the alcoholic poisons in every phase of public and private sanitation and hygiene, afford a glimpse of all the latest thought in this field of scientific research.

Alcohol and the Public Health.

Dr. George W. Webster of Chicago, president of the Illinois State Board of Health, presented one of the most suggestive papers of the whole session on the subject of "Alcohol and Public Health," in which he emphasized ten special important fundamental facts regarding the alcoholic question which in his judgment should base all thought and agitation on the question:

"The alcoholic problem is more important than tuberculosis because it costs more lives and money. It costs the United States in direct money loss over two billion dollars.

"It causes directly and indirectly at least 10 per cent. of all deaths in the United States.

"It predisposes to infection, destroys acquired immunity, prevents the occurrence of artificial immunity, lowers vitality and increases mortality in all diseases and in surgical operations.

"It lessens the power of individuals to resist the injurious influences of extreme heat and cold.

"It causes deterioration of the quality of mental work.

"It diminishes the power to withstand fatigue and lessens the efficiency of the individual.

"It should always be classified as a poison and never as a food or stimulant.

"It is a public health and sanitary question and not a moral one, but should be treated the same as fevers, smallpox and malaria and by scientific men alone.

"The alcoholic problem is a medical one and can only be solved when studied from a scientific point of view."

Alcohol the Ally of Consumption.

Dr. H. J. Achard of Asheville, N. C., specialist on tuberculosis, in his study of the "Influence of Alcoholism on Pulmonary Tuberculosis" affirmed that former theories which regarded alcohol as a specific remedy in consumption were false; that both directly and indirectly alcohol increased the fatality and diminishes the power of resistance.

Continuing, Dr. Achard said:

"A comparison of mortality statistics of consumption treated with alcohol and those treated without it, showed that over 60 per cent. of the former died while only 20 per cent. of the latter.

"The fatality was three times greater. Modern science has shown the reason for this. Numerous authors in both this country and Europe had pointed out the fact that tuberculosis appearing in a moderate or excessive drinker was fatal as a rule.

The man with weak lungs who takes alcohol in any form is favoring its growth and development, and no other drug is so dangerous in its injurious effects, particularly on the lungs."

W. P. Spratling, M. D., of Baltimore, Md., professor of Psychology at the John Hopkins university, in his study on "Alcohol and Epilepsy" declared that from 20 to 50 per cent. of all epileptics are traceable to the use of alcohol, and from 70 to 80 per cent. of all alcoholics have epileptic symptoms in some form or other, and alcohol causes many forms of epilepsy that are not yet known, particularly in crime and strange fits of insane acts and conduct."

Alcohol the Enemy of Childhood.

Dr. T. A. MacNichol of New York City, surgeon of the Red Cross hospital, in a paper on "The Influence of Alcohol on School Children" declared that recent studies of the causes of deficiency and incompetency of children in the public schools, reveals the startling fact that much of this is traceable to beer and spirits given the children, and to the alcoholic drinking parents.

"Studies of children in all the large schools who appear feeble minded and are called 'Dullards' because of their inability to learn, showed that alcohol is one of the most prominent causes as much so as poverty, ill-health and other conditions.

"Children who are given beer by their parents as concentrated food are always below the average, and children whose parents use spirits constantly are largely of the degenerate class. Such children are deficient in health, suffer from the bad hygienic surroundings of schools and have low vitality.

"These children are difficult to manage, and cannot be taught with the same facility. These are statistical facts and not theories. Alcohol is the

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The Following Counties Voted Out the Saloons Under the County Option Law, on Dates Given With Majorities Noted. Saloons will close as licenses expire.

	Majority
Wabash, Dec. 29	889
Lawrence, Dec. 29	1505
Pike, Dec. 31	884
Hamilton, January 26	2461
Putnam, January 26	1552
Decatur, January 26	1708
Tipton, January 26	1581
Noble, January 29	692
Randolph, January 29	2470
Parke, February 2	2060
Huntington, February 2	1660
Switzerland, February 2	908
Clinton, February 9	2084
Davess, February 23	1357
Grant, February 23	2183
Howard, February 23	1482
Newton, February 23	432
Adams, February 23	1044
Morgan, February 23	1055
Hendricks, February 25	777
Fountain, February 25	1988
Fayette, February 25	851
Carroll, February 26	1942
Gibson, February 26	1074
Rush, February 27	2016
Sullivan, March 3	1841
Jay, March 3	2099
Marshall, March 4	1164
Whitley, March 5	1150
Hancock, March 5	1302
Shelby, March 6	745
Miami, March 17	1066
Benton, March 23	800
Montgomery, March 23	2700
Greene, March 23	1800

By observing the above figures, it will be noted that the thirty-five counties which have voted dry have given a majority of over 50,000 against liquor.

Applying the same average to the 22 counties dry under remonstrance this majority would be not less than 75,000. It is safe to predict upon the basis of the 57 counties, allowing for all possible defeats that this state will poll more than 100,000 majority against the saloon.

The Following Counties "Dry" by Remonstrance. Saloons close at expiration of license.

Saloons voted out in the 35 counties.....	544
Boone	Orange
Brown	Owen
Clay	Pulaski
Crawford	Jasper
DeKalb	Scott
Fulton	Steuben
Henry	Union
Johnson	Warren
Kosciusko	Wells
Lagrange	White
Monroe	Washington

Parliamentary Drills are needed in almost every union because new members should have the information. Good presiding officers are more numerous in the W. C. T. U. than in any other woman's organization.

County Option elections are being held rapidly Everywhere our temperance people are having to reckon with the avarice of the liquor men.

In Wayne county it has been said, that a small army of "agents" representing all kinds of saleable articles were canvassing over the county previous to the election. Time was taken to tell a pathetic story about getting out of work in Ohio or elsewhere because the saloons were voted out and business was dull and they were thrown out of work. If a woman she had to canvass because her husband was out of work etc.

Others who were well informed men, went among the intelligent farmers as agents for machinery, etc., and incidentally told them stories of the disaster that comes to business when saloons close, increased taxes etc. Such methods and the sending out of tons of literature by the liquor men besides their influence on the newspapers is very expensive but every effort is being made to save their business—in an effort to do this, persistent, energetic work is being done in every community where the elections are pending. Even some good men who should know better make statements about the need of revenue from saloon licenses to support the county or city schools etc.

CAMPAIGN PRESS HELPS.

"Our paper is soon to have a yawning gap." Thus writes one state L. T. L. secretary. Perhaps your paper is soon to have open space also. If so, or if you wish live temperance copy for your home news paper or some other publication, let the L. T. L. help you. Press work pays. It sets readers to thinking. In compliance with the plans of the National L. T. L. Conferences, the new Press Bureau, in charge of Mr. Lowell, will furnish at cost prices, latest facts on alcohol and prohibition,—"Temperance cheer-ups," campaign-helps, etc. First class copy, ready for the printer. Address for full information, "Jac" Lowell, Mendon, Mass.

LORD'S DAY WEEK.

April 18th to April 25th, 1909.

The Christian peoples throughout the world, with great unanimity, observe Lord's Day week—the week beginning with the first Lord's Day after Easter—as a special season for private prayer and public intercession, private meditations and public address, in behalf of the preservation of the Lord's Day in its integrity, and securing for all people the right to enjoy its privileges and advantages.

The importance of such a week of prayer is apparent to every lover of humanity. The individual receives benefit from this institution in every part of his being—physical, intellectual, moral, and spiritual; the family profits in the strengthening of the ties of kinship, the developing of the moral character and the fostering of religious influences; the Church gains in every way, for, as has been so truly said by Voltaire, "If the Lord's Day were abolished, the Church would be in immediate danger of convulsion and ruin;" and to the nation the Lord's Day is necessary that it may enjoy industrial, commercial, economic and political prosperity.

What a host of foes the Lord's Day has in this new century. There is the Sunday saloon, the Sunday newspaper, the Sunday excursion, the Sunday theater, the Sunday ball and other games, the Sunday dinner and social function, the Sunday concert and vaudeville, the Sunday travel for convenience or to save time, and not of necessity, the reading of secular books, the doing of secular business, the unnecessary operation of factories, mills and mines, the forwarding of freight, and the many other ways in which it is attempted to change the holy day to a holiday, or the rest day to a work day.

But the horizon is not all black. There are rifts in the clouds which assure us that God is with his people, and His Day will be preserved. Many nations have enacted advanced legislation; and in many lands there have been organized National Lord's Day Alliances, as well as other Lord's Day defence organizations; the Church of God has kept apace with the rising tide for the preservation of the Lord's Day, and in sermon and address, prayer service and individual effort, has sought to lend all possible aid to the endeavor to defend the Day of the Lord against the schemes and plans of wicked men.

In issuing this call, we would earnestly suggest:

1. That pastors preach sermons on either 18th or 25th of April, pressing the claims of the Lord's Day on the people, urging consistent, persevering prayer, enthusiastic endeavor, and generous giving in the interests of a better observance of the Lord's Day.

2. That prayer meetings, Young Peoples societies, Sunday schools, Women's Christian Temperance Unions and other church organizations devote a meeting during the week to the subject.

We have now National Lord's Day Alliances in the United States, Canada and Newfoundland, England, Scotland and Japan. These all work along educational, legislative, and moral suasion lines for the preservation and better observance of the Lord's Day.

We respectfully invite the press and pulpit every where to give circulation to this call and these suggestions and to co-operate humbly and prayerfully for the preservation in all its sanctity of the Lord's Day, signed

T. T. MUTCHLER, M. D.

President of the International Federation of Sunday Rest Associations of America.

Local Option is local prohibition—While we are glad for this we know that in reality Christian men and women are not and never will be satisfied with any option to do wrong. To make a criminal or to degrade and debauch a human being is a crime—this the saloon does. Therefore before God it must be a crime to permit saloons—Local Option permits the people to decide to have saloons if they so desire.

The W. C. T. U. stands for the principles of the prohibition of all crime without an Option.

Everywhere our women are helping in the Local Option work trying to rid Indiana of saloons—We have always worked every temperance law enacted.

State prohibition we are expecting to enjoy—State Prohibition prevents the operating of breweries and distilleries as well as saloons, and prevents the drinking on dining cars passing through the state.

Tax Lists are interesting, especially since the subject of county finance is now so much talked of by the liquor men—Their effort is to show how indispensable their license fees are to our county needs. A committee of good men would get some interesting facts from some county tax lists, some names they would fail to find at all. Usually the men who pay much tax are men who are good financiers, these men know of the awful expense entailed by the liquor saloons.

"SABBATH INFLUENCES, IF RIGHTLY BESTOWED UPON CHILDREN, WILL FALL BUT AS A MANTLE, EVER TO BEAUTIFY AND PURIFY THEIR HEARTS AND LIVES."

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NOTICE.

The Mid-year Executive committee meeting will be held in the Christian church in Noblesville April 5 and 6. Those who arrive on the interurban cars should get off at Connor street and go south one and one-half squares to the church.

Mrs. Martha Newlin of Noblesville, wishes those who expect to attend the Executive Committee to send in their names to her, so that entertainment may be provided.—M. E. W.

MRS. STANLEY'S NOTE BOOK.

Dear Sisters:—I am glad that we have lived to see the day when the chief topic of conversation everywhere is the liquor scourge and how to destroy it.

The voters of the state now stand where most of us stood twenty years ago, but they are beginning to "see men as trees walking." So dense has been the blindness that they really did not realize before that they could control the curse alone with ballots—Victory is in the air—everywhere except Wayne County.

But poor old Wayne stands alone,
As wet as she can be!

Her women and her children prayed
To set her people free!

But voters said: "The town would die,
And business men would fail,
And tigers blind would roam the streets,
If Temperance should prevail."

And some good men remained at home,
And others voted wet—
And poor old Richmond simply failed,
And has her death-traps yet.

But our forces yet are in the field
Resolved to win the fight,
And when Wayne County votes again,
We'll paint the map all white.

I rejoice in the widening area of absolute prohibition in our fair land, and the defeat in Wayne county only emphasizes the necessity for state wide prohibition. Really I want to say for the honor of Wayne county that the majority did not rule in that farce called an election—our forces would not copy the vile tricks of the Wets. That Wayne county could vote tomorrow I feel sure that the result would gladden our hearts. I spent a few days in the counties of Delaware, Blackford, Fayette and Jay since my last letter, and found our women everywhere pushing organization and election work.

In Jay county we organized a new union with twenty-three members. Mrs. Nettie Storenhouse, the treasurer of Jay county, joined us and helped to line up the women. I got fifty-seven women in one week in Jay county.

I go next week to Benton county. Yours for victory,
ELIZABETH T. STANLEY.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE ANNUAL WEEK OF PRAYER—APRIL 18th TO 25th, 1909.

A large supply of Call to Prayer leaflets have been printed by our National Superintendent. We trust the women of our state will give them a wide circulation. Price of leaflets 10 cents per 100. Order from Mrs. V. F. Cox, Vienna, N. J.

Yours for a better observance of the Sabbath,
KATHRYN WERT HOLLER,
South Bend. State Superintendent.

LEGISLATIVE.

Governor Marshall vetoed one Sunday baseball bill, refused to sign the other, but did not veto it, so it becomes a law.

On account of pending amendment (found) our state-wide prohibition resolution was not introduced.

County Local Option, "County Prohibition" was saved because the legislators "heard from home." Saved! Yes, by the quick response and timely efforts of the W. C. T. U. of Indiana—viz:

By agitation resulting from circulating petitions for state-wide prohibition.

By getting visitors to attend the legislature.

By getting letters, telephone messages, and telegrams sent to members of legislature urging state-wide prohibition and protesting against high license and against repeal of County Option.

Most of the nearly three hundred local unions in Indiana did what they could. County Option was saved by Three Votes.

Think of that! Every week a county or counties voting dry, still these men were bent on repealing County Option.

This was the result of the tremendous liquor lobby backed by excellent organization and almost unlimited money power.

The W. C. T. U. was the only organization that used its united, persistent influence for state-wide prohibition, and against high license and against repeal of the County Option law.

During the entire time of the legislature our W. C. T. U. members and friends were in attendance, the presence of many of these people had an influence unknown to themselves.

The House of Representatives had a Democratic majority and the Senate a Republican majority. The County Option law was passed by a Republican legislative session last summer, it was current talk that the Democrats would make the repeal of the law their first work in the House. A bill to this effect with several objectionable features was introduced, but there was too much unfavorable sentiment to even get it out of the committee for weeks. Some of our good men refused to be lined up with the plan to repeal the law and substitute ward and township for the county unit.

The contest waged for weeks then according to the daily press prominent men in state politics and certain men interested in breweries came to the capitol and applied strongest lash to whip members of the house into line, in this they failed, although toward the last of the session the House repealed the County Option law without the aid of the men who stood unitedly from the first for giving County Option a trial.

In the senate were men interested in the liquor business and others, regardless of party affiliation, determined to repeal County Option.

The flood of letters and telegrams sent on the days just previous to and on the Tuesday when the vote was taken in the Senate together with the personal visits of special committees and individuals from all over the state, saved County Option.

This was a great victory when the mighty pressure for repeal is considered. The president of the Senate and the Senate force were counted for repeal, in any deliberative body that would mean much influence. Parliamentary tactics were used, at most unexpected times, efforts were made to bring the matter to a vote especially when the temperance men were out. At the last, when on Tuesday the bill was made a special order for a certain hour that afternoon and a motion to adjourn for noon had been made, the Senate was being cleared, an effort was made by the "Repealers" to have the vote on Repeal of Local Option taken right then. Hurriedly the temperance men returned and such snap judgment was prevented.

One senator who was considered for repeal, received from voters through the influence of the W. C. T. U. in the important city in his counties, fifteen telegrams on that Tuesday before the vote was taken. He voted against repeal.

The presence of the splendid men and women who crowded the House and Senate chambers many times as well as on that Tuesday had an influence that cannot be estimated. The very presence of one godly man or woman helps and when there are great numbers of them the influence is indeed great.

The personnel of the Indiana legislature will change. Many of these men who were prominent for their advocacy of wrong this session will never again receive positions of power and influence by the votes of their people.

Right minded, good temperance men will be largely in the majority in our next Indiana legislature.

EXTRACTS FROM A FEW LETTERS

Received by Mrs. McWhirter, Supt. of Legislation, During the Last Weeks of the Legislature.

Dear Mrs. McWhirter:

Have written nine letters, will write another in behalf of our county organization and send that it is at the State Capitol tomorrow. We feel secure in regard to our representative. He will vote right.—

In response to your letter telling the need of our legislators "hearing from home," some said they would write letters if they knew what to say. Mr. — and myself each wrote suggestive letters. Mr. — wrote to Representative —, also —. As county corresponding secretary, I wrote a letter to every man whose name either you or Mrs. Vayhinger sent (16). At our W. C. T. U. meeting we decided to have three dozen letters typewritten, see them signed by men, addressed, and posted. Nearly all of those were sent. Twenty-five were mailed at once by my husband.

In response to your letter received yesterday, we sent this forenoon, nine telegrams bearing the signatures of twenty-eight voters, asking Senator — to oppose the repeal of County Option law. A part of the money for sending these messages was donated by the men; leaving only \$1.54 to be paid by our union. Messages were sent by the following organizations: M. E. Sunday school; Epworth League; Christian Endeavor; and W. C. T. U. There were also several personal letters written.

Your letter came at noon of the Twelfth. As soon as was possible I called the ministers of the town together for advisement. Then got one of our W. C. T. U. women to go with me and soon we had

about nineteen men and women promise to write to the senate committee. There were others who rather promised to write but their promise had such a doubtful ring, we did not count them. We have received answers from several members of the committee assuring us they would vote against the repeal of the County Option law.

Yours of yesterday came to me this afternoon. We have sent to Senator —, Representative — almost 250 letters during the past ten days. The enclosed is a copy of the letters. Do you want us to do anything farther? We cannot get men to write letters but we can get them to sign letters already written. If you want — county to send letters in addition to what we have already done, send a copy of the letters you want written and we will send them out at once.

Received your request today. There were about fifteen telegrams sent to Senator — this morning and one this afternoon. We think that Senator — will favor "Repeal of County Option, though we have done what we could to try to keep him from it, but it seems that both he and Representative — have gone directly against the wishes of the good citizens both in regard to the Sunday Baseball and County Option. Many letters have been sent to them from this county.

Mrs. Nettie V. Traum of Richmond, Writes:

Oh, what a valiant fight was made by the women of Wayne county in the cause of temperance in our recent election!

We organized ourselves into "The Woman's Local Option League." We canvassed the city of Richmond thoroughly, left good convincing literature in every home, had the school children to march and carry banners, and on election day, from four to ten women were stationed at each voting place, and there they handed to each voter (who did not knock it out of their hands or in some other rude way refuse) a card bearing these words: "Please vote 'Dry' for the sake of Home, Mother, Wife and Children." We all wore a badge in the form of a long white ribbon streamer. We were crushed when the returns came in. But God lives and rules. We will yet be victorious. But, oh, to think of this beautiful, peaceful Quaker city not having one dry ward in it!

It is appalling and we cannot understand it.

HON. MICHAEL J. FANNING.

The brilliant Irish orator has done great work in Indiana. During the last week in March he has been in Marion county. At Broad Ripple, Lawrence and Mapleton, he had great audiences. At Lawrence he spoke to two audiences in the same evening, at both the Baptist and Methodist churches alternating with Hon. F. T. McWhirter. There were present in both audiences many young men from the army post at Fort Benjamin Harrison. Mr. Fanning took an excellent collection at the Baptist church and a good collection at the Methodist church. He is a fine representative to be sent out by the W. C. T. U. He wins friends for us and our cause and he gets excellent collections. His present engagements cease in Indiana during the first week in April. Kentucky then claims him for months, but it may be that Indiana can get him back in June. Everywhere he is needed. Write to Miss Mary Woodard, Fountain City and engage him if possible. He will get big audiences on the second night in the same community and will secure many new members.

INSTITUTES.

In every institute definite attention should be given to the consideration of Indiana Liquor Laws. Especially should the temperance women be informed as to how to get evidence and conviction against the unlawful selling of liquor in drug stores or other places. Bootlegging can be stopped and it must be stopped. A committee of W. C. T. U. women and ministers should arrange with two or more good lawyers to come before the committee and explain methods of procedure.

W. C. T. U. women can secure the co-operation of good men always and it is their privilege and duty to do this.

To Make a Prohibition or White Map of Indiana.

Get a large state map, one that has been used as an advertisement for years will suffice. Begin with Wabash county, cut a piece of white, plain writing paper the shape of the county, but a tiny bit smaller, paste it over Wabash county on the map, allowing space for colored county lines to show on the map. On the white covering write the name of the county plainly and its "dry" majority. Continue in this way until all of the counties that have voted dry are covered.

When finished the color county lines only will show between some of the white counties.

For all the counties "dry" by remonstrance cut white covers much smaller, these make the distinction—as they are voted "dry" cover each county with white and get its majority vote.

Cover wet counties with black paper.

The white map will be of great interest in all audiences, high schools and school rooms, factories (etc., everywhere shown. The list of "dry" counties in this issue of the Message can be used now and as other counties are voted dry they should be promptly added, thus keeping the map correct and up-to-date.

In houses where such maps are made there will be great interest taken in this wonderful county option work.

OUT FOR 1,000 WOMEN.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 11, 1909.

Dear Sister:—

In obedience to a call made by Mrs. Julia Shugart of Grant county to come over and help in the Local Option Fight. I arrived in Marion February 20th, and was made very comfortable in the home of Rev. Peters. I began active work on the morrow among my people. While in that city, I spoke seven times, three times to women only and four to mixed audience, upon the subject: "Shall Rum Rule?" and believe the argument helped some to bring victory for the cause we love.

Found the W. C. T. U. (colored) not very active. Stirred them up a little, then hid myself (February 25th), to this city where I spoke in Wayman chapel at night, but did no organizing because of absence of those desired to fill position.

February 27th, I arrived in New Albany, Ind. subject to a call made by Mrs. J. H. Jones, county president of that city.

February 28th, at 3 p. m., held mass meeting for women in Bethel A. M. E. church. Addressed them on the "Principles, Aims and Methods Used by the W. C. T. U. to carry forward the cause for 'God, Home and Every Land.'" Secured twenty-eight pledges. Organized a W. C. T. U. with Mrs. Mary Baker, president, address, 315 East Fifth street, New Albany.

Thirty-five members of the New Albany W. C. T. U. were present and joined in the hallelujah time and as we sang "The Old Time Religion is Good Enough For Me." Mrs. Jones and her members doffed their white ribbon bows and pinned them on the colored sisters. The presence of the Lord was felt by all present numbering 126. At 7:30 addressed a large audience on the subject: "Shall the Throne of Iniquity or the Liquor Traffic Have Fellowship with Righteousness," see Ps., 94. Secured ten more pledges, including three honorary members, making in all thirty-eight pledged members for the Baker W. C. T. U. of New Albany, Ind.

March 2nd, at 4 p. m., in the Baptist church (colored), I spoke to 124 children on L. T. L. work. Secured, through the assistance of Miss G. Taylor, Miss Richardson and Miss Mackafee (colored), school teachers, Mrs. Dr. Jones and Mrs. Flanagan (white ladies), eighty-four pledges. Organized a L. T. L. with Miss Mammie Richardson secretary, address Albany street, New Albany, Ind.

March 3rd, I addressed 400 school children in Jeffersonville. Found that ninety-five per cent. knew much about drinking beer, etc. Did not have time to do Legion work. That matter will be attended to by Mrs. Jones and others in the near future (D. V.) at 7:30 p. m. in same city. I spoke to a nice audience in the A. M. E. church on the subject used in New Albany. Secured twenty-six pledges, two honorary members, organized a W. C. T. U. with Mrs. Laura Marshall, president, address 622 Ohio street, Jeffersonville, Ind.

March 4th, arrived in Columbus, Ind., made house to house visits, addressed a literary society at 8 p. m. in Baptist church.

March 5th, held mass meeting at 3 p. m. in same church. Secured eleven pledges also three honorary members. Organized a W. C. T. U. with Myrtle Toles, president, address 1429 Union street, Columbus, Ind.

Mrs. A. D. Redman, Mrs. Jordon and Mrs. S. W. Buxton (white), rendered valuable service. At 4 p. m. I organized an L. T. L. with fifteen pledged members. Miss P. L. Durette, secretary, address, care Mrs. Myrtle Toles, 1429 Union street, Columbus, Ind.

March 6th, arrived in Indianapolis, secured the necessary rest, then on the morrow, March 7, at 7:30 p. m. addressed at least 250 persons assembled in Allen chapel on the subject: "Shall the Throne of Iniquity or the Liquor Traffic Have Fellowship with Righteousness?" Closing with: "What is it and how it began, why is it and how it works," having reference to the W. C. T. U. Secured seventy-six pledges including six honorary members, with Mrs. Rev. George Sampson, president, address 2345 Hillside avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.

Yours for the promotion of the cause, for God, Home and Every Land,

MRS. M. A. M'CURDY.

State Organizer of W. C. T. U. Among Colored People.

CIGARETTE LAW REPEALED.

Good men and women have said that it took much time, effort and expense to persuade some of our paid legislators to do half way right when the great moneyed trusts were concerned.

The American Tobacco Company is second only in political and money power to the Liquor Traffic. Cigarette Baker is now to be permitted to return to the United States since the death of the Representative Baker who was a witness against him.

Salaries of state officials are certainly high and being made higher. When will our taxpayers select good honest common sense men to represent them in the legislature?

SUNDAY BASEBALL BILL

Was passed to please a great money making organization. Great ado made about the working man wanting it. Not so, no lobby for it at all from that class, on the other hand it was championed by the sporting element.

Shame! The decent earnest citizens are thus treated by men in the legislature who misrepresent them. That game has no more legal right to use Sunday than all other kinds of business that is supported by patronage of the people.

License Money Needed to Keep up the County!

Where does the saloon man get his money? Does he get it over his bar in your county? If

he does that he is getting it from your citizens! For that money, what does he give in return?

Look at the fruits of his business, you'll find them in the jail, at the County farm, see them in the Criminal Courts, loitering on Sunday, spending their evenings away from home etc. Some have been sent to the Insane Hospital and some to the Penitentiaries and Reformatories.

From these and others the saloon keeper gets his money with which to pay his license fee. For every dollar the liquor traffic pays into your county treasury for license, many dollars are paid out of that same treasury for expenses of the Jail, County Poor Farm, the Courts, Trials of Criminals and a retinue of officers to enforce the laws—Think of such business plans!

Get the amount of county expenses attributable to the results of the saloon—such a subject considered in Institutes and Young People's meetings will be very educational.

That the Brewers and the Liquor Interests of the United States won a great victory in the re-election of Speaker Cannon, is asserted in special dispatches from Washington to the daily press, March 16. The Chicago Tribune declares it is "absolutely certain" that the brewery and liquor interests of the country were responsible for this latest triumph of "Uncle Joe." "To these influences, Joseph G. Cannon can return his thanks for the rescue of himself and his forces from complete and utter rout at the hands of the insurgents and Democrats. Through Charles F. Murphy, the Tammany chieftain of New York, the brewers issued their commands.....It was apparent that the liquor interests in the country over were bringing lots of influence to bear. Persons who are in close touch



MISS BERTHA STOUT,

Teller in an Indianapolis Bank and a Member of Indianapolis Central W. C. T. U. Miss Stout secured 301 signatures of prominent Business and Professional Men to the State-Wide Prohibition Petition.

with the liquor representation here say there is more complacency and steady breathing in that camp now than has been witnessed for many a day. The appointment of House Committees by the Committee on Committees which was the aim of the insurgent, undoubtedly would have resulted in the Hepburn-Dolliver Bill or the Littlefield Bill eventually being brought on the floor of the House, with good prospects of passage."

Disinterested testimony of this sort proving that the most notorious bosses of the Democratic and Republican parties thus join forces at the dictation of the drink traffic, is another bomb shell in the camp of those indifferent to the necessity for straight Prohibition Party agitation.

Tens of thousands of petitions have asked for the passage of the Hepburn-Dolliver and Littlefield Temperance bills, but they are not even permitted to be brought before the House.

FACTS FROM CHICAGO.

A personal investigation on the part of Mr. William A. Brubaker of Chicago developed some startling revelations in regard to personal property assessments in the city. Out of the 70 alderman, 27 per cent. of the City Fathers pay not a cent of personal taxes, 6 pay on less than \$500; 12 on \$500; 9 others on less than \$1,000 and 6 pay on \$1,000 or over. One city official, drawing a salary of \$12,000 a year (the city treasurer) another drawing an \$8,000 salary from the city (Health Commissioner) and two drawing \$6,000 salaries each (City Collector and City Attorney) are not assessed a penny on the official tax list. Chief of Police Shippey, drawing a salary of \$8,000 a year, pays \$7.50 city, county and school taxes.

In addition to these facts, Mr. Brubaker found upon investigation that out of 58 householders, in the block in which he himself lives, only four, including himself, are assessed on the tax list. Another singular item brought to light is the fact that the capital stock of breweries, distilleries, newspapers, packing houses, and other factories, are exempt from taxation under the workings of a law

slipped through the Illinois Legislature four years ago.

DRINK'S "INTERNAL REVENUE" PAID BY THE PEOPLE.

The Flashlight Turned on King Alcohol's Boasted "Support" of United States Government—Liquor Traffic Pays Back to Uncle Sam \$1 for Every \$10.97 Extorted From the Citizens.

\$199,066,423 internal revenue paid by liquor traffic (\$25.40 per capita.)

\$2,183,942,639 cash paid into till of liquor traffic by people in 1908.

"What would Uncle Sam do without our help?" the liquor men cry in defiant glee.

This old bluff has worked so many years that the scribes of drink have failed to note the present danger.

Times have changed and today millions of thinking citizens of America who once paid no attention one way or another to the boast are likely to suddenly rattle, "Where did you get it? You claim to have paid Uncle Sam \$200,000,000, in twelve months, but where did you pick it up, and how much more did you keep for yourself last year?"

The real facts come to light, which show that for every \$1 you ostentatiously handed over to the National government you took about \$11 out of the pockets of the people for your poison wares. As a matter of fact, the people paid every cent of it and more than ten times as much besides to this self-glorifying liquor trust.

The official figures of the United States reveal the other side of this long-suffered fairy tale of the drink-makers. Based upon these official reports for 1908, the consumption of alcoholic liquors in the United States for the last fiscal year ending June 30, 1908 was 1,958,054,041 gallons.

Diluted to retail proportions and estimated as regards retail prices according to the highest authorities of the trade, the result shows that not less than \$2,183,942,639 was paid over the bar and otherwise to drink-maker and seller by the people of America during the last fiscal twelve month. In other words, while the drink traffic claims to have paid Uncle Sam in that length of time not quite \$2.29 per capita, they in reality took out of the pockets of the people in the same year an average of not less than \$25.40 for every man, woman and child in America!

Here is the astounding fact which explodes the drink scribe's bluff. With the liquor traffic abolished the 15,500,000 voting citizens of the United States could pay very cent of this \$200,000,000 at the rate of less than 25 cents a week and at the end of the year find themselves lives with an aggregate of more than \$2,000,000,000 in their pockets that otherwise would have gone into the till of the saloon keeper, the distiller and the brewer.

ONE WAY TO STOP THE DEFICIT.

While statesmen and politicians are searching the universe for ways and means of meeting the prospectively growing deficit in Uncle Sam's treasury and attempting to bluff the Prohibition sentiment of the country with an excited defense of the liquor traffic as the "bulwark" of the Federal government, the question of conscientious economy in current expenditures seems suddenly in need of recognition. Upon this point Lurana W. Sheldon contributes this apt suggestion in the New York Times.

"Just now it seems to be decided that the canal shall have new locks—Correspondence Column.

"New locks are needed! Heed the cry! The big canal is soaring high!

Two hundred million more is rough, But now it seems that's not enough.

New locks are needed! Heed the cry! The Treasury is running dry.

New locks are needed—three or four, Upon the U. S. Treasury door."

LAW ENFORCEMENT.

About 2000 of Ohio's temperance workers gathered recently in Columbus for a conference on law enforcement. The meeting was most timely. In 57 counties in Ohio a majority of the voters have declared against the sale of liquor and yet the brewers and distillers are trying their utmost to break down the law by flooding these dry counties with their advertisements and by sending their agents to open "blind tigers" and speakeasies, to sell in defiance of the people's will. If the enthusiasm and energy manifested at this conference is a criterion, the people of Ohio do not intend to be robbed of the fruits of victory by the liquor forces. The judges, mayors, prosecuting attorneys and city solicitors who took part in the program gave plain warning to the would-be violators of law that their wrongdoing must cease. Hon. Seaborn Wright, the eloquent prohibition orator from Georgia, opened the session with a strong, logical and very convincing argument against "Capitalizing vice" by permitting the open saloon for revenue.—Ohio Message.

OTHER COUNTIES THAT HAVE VOTED SALOONS OUT.

Ohio, March 24, majority..... 33
Elkhart, March 25, majority..... 877
Orange, March 25, majority..... 677
Saloons voted out in 38 counties..... 593
Wayne, wet by majority..... 751

HAVE SABBATH OBSERVANCE PLEDGE SIGNING IN SUNDAY SCHOOLS ON APRIL 18th OR 25th.

PREVENTING REPEAL COUNTY OPTION.

This has been a terrific fight. The W. C. T. U. against the organized liquor power of the middle states, and we have won with a majority of three votes. Think of that! Think of our band of women numbering about eight thousand in all Indiana, against the mightiest moneyed power in the Mississippi valley, yet we won! How was it done? It was done by the prompt, intelligent and effective work of our nearly three hundred local unions of the state giving time, energy and money. As your superintendent of legislation I was powerless to do anything more than to tell you of the condition of affairs at the Capitol and to suggest such lines of action as to me seemed practical. With the best mother hood of any state, we went out to seek the power that would prevent the liquor men from ruling the state, and succeeded.—Luella McWhirter.

SONG—"OUT FOR PROHIBITION."

(Tune: "Dixie.")

Quit your ease, forget your sorrow,
Give today and save tomorrow,
Come out, come out, come out for Prohibition!
Waste no more of wheat and barley,
Down with compromise and parley,
Come out, come out, come out for Prohibition!

Chorus.

We're out for Prohibition! Hurrah! Hurrah!
We're out for Prohibition! Yes, we're out for Prohibition!
Hurrah! Hurrah! We're out for Prohibition!
Hurrah! Hurrah! We're out for Prohibition!

Traitor's money take no longer,
License makes the evil stronger,
Come out, come out, come out for Prohibition!
Don't you know from the beginning
There's one way to deal with sinning?
Come out, come out, come out for Prohibition!
Chorus.

DOES PROHIBIT.

A brewer in Ohio, as reported by the American Issue, says, "I am convinced that prohibition does prohibit, regardless of what the circulars say which we send into counties in which contests have been made and are being made. A large part of the drinking is done by men who drop into a saloon with a friend. It is a social custom, nothing more. With the saloon gone the custom is discontinued. Many men who take a glass of beer or a nip of whiskey will not walk around the corner for it; most certainly they will not hunt a blind-tiger; besides they will not countenance that which public sentiment and a majority of the voters condemn. Our business has been hit hard. Our common stock is down to five. If I had in cash the money I have invested in the business I would put it where it would yield better returns in a line not condemned by the public. I am frank to say I have had enough of it."—Ohio Message.

Governor Glenn of North Carolina, says, "After 30 years of experience as a prosecuting officer in the courts, I am firmly of the opinion that 60 per cent of crime is due to strong drink and that 95 per cent is indirectly caused by it."

Governor Burke, North Dakota, "We have had prohibition in North Dakota so long that in some counties there are no jails. There is not much crime in the state."

The Supreme Court of Illinois has just declared that the Sunday closing law is in full force and effect in Chicago.

INDIANA'S SONG.

(Tune: "Anna Laurie.")

Indiana's heard the bugle,
O, army tried and true,
She is marching, she is coming,
To pledge her faith anew,
To pledge her vows anew;
To win or die with you!
You may count on Indiana,
Till the stars fade from the blue.

Where your snowy flag is floating,
And white stars dot the way,
You may count on Indiana,
In th' thickest of the fray;
In th' thickest of the fray;
Her women lead the way,
Where your emblems white are gleaming,
The "W's" lead the fray.

You can count on Indiana!
Her children are a-field!
Yes, the "L. T. L.'s" are coming;
Their clarion call has pealed;
Their clarion call has pealed;
Not one brigade will yield.
Oh, the "L. T. L.'s" are coming;
The children are a-field.

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE W. C. T. U. ESSAY CONTESTANTS.

Huntington, Ind., Feb. 18, 1909.

Dear Pupil:—

Your essay has been received and will be carefully graded. The contest was closed February 15, with 157 essays having been sent to Mrs. Newcomb, a much larger number than was expected. The members of the W. C. T. U. organization feel very grateful to the pupils and teachers for their generous co-operation in this important matter.

No announcement of awards or prizes will be made in any way until the afternoon of Saturday, February 27, at which time a big meeting will be held, beginning promptly at 2 p. m., at the assembly

room on the second floor of the court house. Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, state president of the W. C. T. U., who is known as an eloquent lecturer, will speak. The two best essays will be read, splendid music will be rendered, and at the close the prize winners will be announced. A general admission fee of 10 cents will be charged. Every Essay Contestant will be admitted free. A committee of W. C. T. U. ladies will be at the door of the assembly room from 10 to 12 in the forenoon and from 1 to 2 in the afternoon. Call on these ladies and get acquainted. They will be glad to furnish you a free ticket. Plan now to attend this great mass meeting. Be sure to urge your parents to come. An entertaining and instructive meeting is anticipated.

More Prizes Added.

Since the contest has closed five more firms of this city have generously offered prizes. The complete list is as follows:

No. 1, \$10.00; No. 2, \$5.00; No. 3, fountain pen, given by Messrs. H. Aston & Bechstein; No. 4, a league base ball and bat or a brass jewel case, by the Barnhart Book and Music store; No. 5, a pair of gloves or an umbrella by F. Dick's Son & Co. New prizes are: No. 6, a fine bottle of perfume, Justin Lovett, druggist; No. 7, a beautiful box of stationery by Jesse Hardman; No. 8, a photograph, by the Tobias studio, of this contestant; No. 9, a pen knife or scissors by S. S. Nave, South Side merchant, and No. 10, a silver cup given by O. Grafton, jeweler.

It will be hard for the judges to decide as to which are really the best essays when so many are to be graded, but they will try hard to give an honest and fair decision. Please do not be envious or so very sad if you do not win, but remember that the best thing that could come to you in this contest is not a prize but the increased knowledge of an important subject and the splendid training in composition work. All pupils who are required to write for diplomas and who succeed in writing a "merit essay" will have 10 per cent. added to their grammar grades. These examinations are held the third Saturdays of March, April and May.

Under no circumstances will any essays be returned, so please do not ask for them. Hoping that every contestant may be present at the great meeting, February 27, and wishing you continued success in your work, I beg to remain

Very sincerely yours,

IRA B. POTTS.

County Superintendent of Schools.

THE TEMPERANCE SONGSTER.

By Anna A. Gordon.

It contains "The White Ribbon Star Spangled Banner," "Out for Prohibition" and other favorites—any one of them worth the price of the book. Price: 35 cents per copy; \$3.60 per dozen by express, not prepaid. Sold by Miss Ruby I. Gilbert, 131 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.

The Only Organized Effort in Indiana to save county option was that of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. I would like for you to repeat that statement. We have urged others to help us and to work according to their own plans. No other organization as such helped to prevent the repeal of county option. By this I mean a state organization. The church is scattered over the state in many instances did help, but when the final triumphs come, the Laurel Wreath will be placed on the W. C. T. U. These women did not work for price, but they worked for love of human nature. This love of home and children is honored by God and the victory will come.

PROHIBITION STATES.

Maine, North Dakota, Kansas, Oklahoma, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, Alabama and Tennessee.

RED LETTER DAYS.

For the reason that many social meetings are held in parlors, in church parlors, in halls, in school houses, in sitting room, in kitchen, in cabin, or wherever woman reigns as queen, from which no report has been received, as our women thought they could not properly be termed Parlor Meetings. Receptions have been held, members gained thereby, and no account kept of them, as there were no exercises of an educational character. We hope by name "Red Letter" to include whatever exists of a social nature, which is conducted by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. There are many Red Letter days that can be observed which would bring the Union into favor. Mothers' meetings may receive particular attention on January 3, the birthday of a great mother, Madam Willard. February 10-17, Membership week, when special effort should be made to win members. February 17, Frances Willard's heavenly birthday. March 1, Mrs. L. M. N. Steven's birthday, Union Signal subscription day. March 20, Neal Dow's birthday, when the bells of prohibition can ring; June 9, the birthday of Jennie Casseday, when jails, prisons, almshouses, hospitals and the sick are visited; July 4, when we educate the people in scientific temperance; July 21, Miss Anna A. Gordon's birthday, Loyal Temperance Legion day; Fresh Air Mission day, August 3, the birthday of Lady Henry Somerset, when extracts could be read of her work in the Duxhurst Home; Children's Harvest Home and Membership Crusade day; September 28, the birthday of our promoted Chieftain, who led us onward and upward for many years. Surely on this day, above all others, we could—from her writings—cull many precious gems that would enrich other lives, and probably create a desire to unite their efforts with ours in subduing evil. Peace Day, third Sunday in December, should not be forgotten in the promotion of "peace on earth." Crusade Day,

December 23, will ever remind us of the brave souls who went forward in the name and strength of the Glorious Leader, and who builded better than they realized.—Lily W. Petre.

SOW YOUR STATE KNEE DEEP.

With the literature that helped make fifty-seven counties in Ohio Dry in four months. Suitable for any local option work. Packages especially arranged for woman's house-to-house campaign work—with Ohio's plans for women's co-operation with local option committees. Each package contains fifty leaflets each of eleven different kinds of literature which answer all the arguments of the enemy, also five each of three kinds of picture posters. These are securely wrapped in a neat bundle ready to distribute to street chairmen. Price \$1.00 per package, postage 15 cents. Express paid on \$5.00 orders to one address at one time. Ohio Temperance Publishing House, 136 E. Gay St. Columbus, Ohio.

W. C. T. U. speakers and scores of temperance men should be kept at work in the counties where elections are to be held. Where the counties have rolled up the biggest majorities for "dry". Meetings were held in every school house in the township and series of meetings were held in the towns and cities. The "salt of the earth" live in our country and in the towns—their united influence is needed to overcome the floating non-tax paying saloon sympathizers and the politicians who owe allegiance to the liquor traffic in our cities. The bigger the county majority now for "dry" the less trouble the saloon men will give that county two years hence.

Our Legislators who worked for temperance this winter should be invited to work in Local Option campaigns—These men are known and some of them are excellent speakers.

The Educational influence of great temperance meetings and enthusiasm for county prohibition will be very great on the children and young people. Everywhere great effort should be made to get the young people to assist in the meetings and in the work. Wise men and women will see that the children and young people have a large part in all the work and jollification.

The Seventeen Year old boys of today will be voters at our next election. Think what that means!

Distribute Literature at every meeting of any kind held in your community from now until summer time. The boys and girls will enjoy helping.

Every union should spend on an average of two dollars and fifty cents for temperance and purity literature every quarter. If so there will be a substantial interest aroused in the community that will culminate after while in wonderful blessings to the community. Wisely distributed leaflets bring great returns. Our interest in a subject is according to information.

"Dear friend: The W. C. T. U.
Extends white ribbon greetings true,
And asks a contribution
To help us free our native land,
Our state, our queenly city grand,
From Rum, and its pollution.

You've heard of prohibition,
And all about "the Wave,"
But what you didn't hear about
Is what the people gave.

To publish telling leaflets,
And hire speakers too,
Because they had to have "spot cash"
That sort of thing to do.

No victory for righteousness.
Or prohibition laws
Is won without a sacrifice
Of something for the cause.

And so because the fight is on,
We come to you to plead
For just a little silver gift
To serve our mighty need.

Now if these tiny envelopes
Should gather dollars in
Whose every dime was freighted
With prayers that we might win;

Why, brave young Colorado
Would rise up in her might,
And drive the liquor business
Forever out of sight.

So in the coming triumph
You'll surely want a share;
And that is why I 'pass the hat'
For all you have to spare."

—A. A. Hawley.

Benton County unions are lending valuable assistance to the temperance forces in the local option campaign. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley spoke to crowded houses at several towns in the county. The Earl Park union lost one of its most energetic workers in the department for Enid, Okla., of Mrs. Mae Cooper who has been recording secretary since the organization of the union. The first wedding in the membership was that of Miss Mabel Allen to Byron Cobleigh, March 3, 1909. They will live in Greencastle, Indiana.—Mrs. Erma McMahan.

THE MESSAGE

CURSE OF ALCOHOL FAR WORSE THAN TUBERCULOSIS.

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largest factor in the causation of feeble minded imbecile children as seen in public schools.

"Such children should be taught in separate departments as they are unfit to a large degree to follow the studies carried on in ordinary schools."

Dr. C. H. Hughes, editor of Journal Alienist and Neurologist, in a paper on "The Neuropathic Entailments Following the Use of Alcohol" declared that alcohol scars and taints race stock with as much certainty as does syphilis or tuberculosis, and continues:

"Heredity is not a theory, but a fact which can be seen with great distinctness. How the race is injured, and what defects are transmitted are not always clear, because the facts are not all studied, but the alcoholic is certainly crippling his descendants, diminishing their degenerations that are transmitted in different forms and conditions."

Professor H. W. Wiley of Washington, D. C., government chemist in the Agricultural department, in a paper on "Alcohol a Poison in the Adulteration of Foods and Drinks" declared that no other substance has so deceptive and dangerous an influence, especially in proprietary drugs which are sold as tonics.

"Their good effects, quieting the system, are attributed to the tonic actions of the drugs. In reality this action is narcotic and depressant covering up and concealing the damage, at the same time provoking a craze and demand for its continuation in the future.

"Alcohol as a preservative and narcotic in the so-called tonic and stimulant is dangerous because of the unknown effects which are sure to follow. Many drugs on the market owe their popularity entirely to the alcohol they contain, and this is of the poorest and most dangerous form."

"The modern laboratory research and clinical experience denied the tonic and stimulant value of alcohol.

"Alcohol like every other drug in common use, is found by science to be useless, except as a narcotic.

"Alcohol as a beverage is a relic of barbarous times," declared Dr. B. C. Keister of Roanoke, Virginia, superintendent of the Home sanitarium.

The net result of the International Opium Conference at Shanghai, seems to have been that the delegates of the twelve nations represented have convinced themselves of China's absolute sincerity in attempting to banish opium. Little progress was made towards influencing the British government to aid in the war against this oriental curse, except so far as new data has been secured for further agitation on this phase of the world-wide battle against opium poison.

The Washington legislature adjourned Thursday March 11, after refusing to enact into law the proposed county option bill and following the indefinite postponement of even a compromise measure providing for local prohibition by towns and cities. The legislature did, however, pass a law prohibiting race track gambling, book-making and pool selling, and making it a felony; and another providing for the submission to the voters of the next general election of the constitutional amendment extending the suffrage to women.

SOCIAL MEETINGS AND RED LETTER DAYS.

Dear Sister:—

I have purposely waited till the middle of the year before rendering my letter to the Message, as I know all the unions are working along the lines of Social Meetings and Red Letter Days, and only need to be urged to report.

Last September I sent a personal letter and literature to every county superintendent mentioned in the state directory in state minutes together with blank report.

I was much disappointed at so few responding with reports, but at the state convention the sisters from all over the state were so kind, and seemed so interested, that I hope to have a much better report next year.

The National Superintendent, Mrs. Mary D. Tomlinson, 212 East Seventh street, Plainfield, N. J., sends me the same Plan of Work I sent you last year, but if any superintendent has not received it, or has misplaced the literature I sent, write me and I will send more, or write to Mrs. Tomlinson who has so much larger appropriations than mine that she can send you many things free, then at the end of the year report all work done to me.

I hope every union in the state observed Frances Willard's Heavenly Birthday and sent \$2.00 to the Memorial fund. Think what that would mean to the work, about \$600 to use in missionary effort.

I have been much gratified at the number of letters I have received this year asking about the department, or telling me what they are doing and are planning to do this year. I will answer all as promptly as I can, but, dear sisters, remember my appropriation is not very large, and I can hardly afford to write many times a year to the same person unless postage is enclosed.

Last year my appropriation was \$5.00 and I expended \$8.00, but I do not regret it if anything was gained for the great cause.

I will close with a passage quoted from Mrs. Tomlinson's leaflet: "Why Change Our Name From Parlor Meeting to Social Meeting and Red Letter Days."

Lovingly yours,

MRS. LILY W. PETRE,
Superintendent Social Meetings and Red Letter Days, Indiana W. C. T. U.
Oxford, Indiana.

INDIANA JOY BELLS, MARCH, 1909.

Dear Co-Workers:—

Just one quarter remains of the L. T. L. year, we are striving to have this the most successful year in the history of our work, keep a complete record of all work done, and report.

Greencastle Legioners are making extra preparations for our coming. One dear girl said, "We want 200 delegates, now you see, just think of that, Oh let each legion get ready to send all your graduates and others who are interested, but remember only graduates, who have their dues paid are entitled to vote, we want all who will receive diplomas this year to be present for the graduates march, Elwood Legioners are working for a class of 50. They are hustlers. The boys and girls have a contest to see which has the greatest number present and the largest collection at each meeting. They are just about even, girls winning the most of the time in numbers, the boys in the collections, letters from a number of our leaders show that excellent work is going on, no wonder that such victories are being won in the different counties of our state. Seventeen counties have reported legion work so far this year. You will receive blanks with this issue of our circular letter. Please fill them out and return to me by the 20th. If one superintendent or leader fails to get one, just let me know, and I will send you one, as we want all work done this year reported.

Yours for success,

IDA M. MIX,
State L. T. L. Secretary.

Kokomo, Indiana.

Representative Switzer was quoted by an Indianapolis paper as follows:

"As long as I wish to live in the community where I now live I shall vote for county option," said Mr. Switzer of Benton and Warren. "I certainly would have to move if I should vote against it. I believe it is to the interest of both parties to retain the law. The W. C. T. U. and other temperance organizations have been training the young voters, and in the future the first voters are going to stand by the party that represents moral views."

Social Hygiene Considered.

Dr. C. S. Woods, professor of chemistry in the Indiana Medical college, spoke on "The Social Evil." He referred to the necessity of establishing a well developed course in social hygiene in the high schools and colleges. The teaching of social hygiene he held to be the only method by which it can be hoped to save the young of both sexes from the ravages of evil and disease. He said he hoped that an appropriation may be made by the state legislature for the dissemination of literature for both sexes on social hygiene.

FIELD NEWS

Anderson W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Hannibal Winter, March 10th. Mrs. Winter in charge, her department being "narcotics." Mrs. Stevens's birthday was also observed. Mrs. Winters read an interesting paper on the effects of cigarettes on the growing boy. She also made a protest against using the pictures of Washington and Lincoln as advertisements of brands of tobacco and liquors. Readings by Mrs. T. S. Roseberry and Mrs. Hardman were appreciated. There was a good attendance. Two new members added to the union. Refreshments were served.

The Socialist Party in its platform for 1908 declared for "Unrestricted and equal suffrage for men and women," and said further, "We pledge ourselves to engage in an active campaign in that direction."

A Tree to be planted on Arbor Day in some public place by every W. C. T. U. in Indiana. So says our Flower Mission superintendent. Every union can do this, and every Loyal Temperance Legion can plant a tree on Arbor Day.

Terre Haute Union makes the following report of their work for the quarter ending March 15th: Literature distributed, 14,542 pages; social calls, 104; calls on sick, 120; text cards given, 80; dainties given, 129; bundles of clothing, 7; flowers, 105; dinners furnished, 8; 1 basket of fruit, 1 dozen oranges, 2 dozen bananas, 2 cans and 1 glass of jelly given, and two letters of sympathy written.

Madison—Mrs. Rosa Jamison, superintendent Mothers' Meeting, held a very interesting meeting at the home of Mrs. Clark, Thursday afternoon, February 18th. The subject discussed was, "Rights and Wrongs of Childhood." A goodly number was present and the following were readings: "Child's Perceptions," "Child's Rights," "Humiliation," and "Is It Nothing to You." Mrs. Florida Stewart gave a reading, "One Glass too Much."—M. E. B., Press Supt.

The Bright W. C. T. U. held a Frances E. Willard memorial service and mothers' meeting combined on February 17 with Mrs. Alfred Grubbs on Mount Pleasant. There was a good attendance, although the roads were very bad. After an impressive devotional service, there was a responsive reading on the life of Miss Willard; a paper, "Training Children," by Mrs. Hattie Jackson; a solo, "Father, Dear Father Come Home," by Mrs. Mary Bonham; paper, "Child Thought," written by Miss Janie Morgan, read by Mrs. Emma Siefferman. Mrs. Ethel Morgan spoke of "The Cradle Roll," which with other business was discussed and a collection was taken. \$2.00 was sent to the National Memorial fund—Mrs. Sallie Bonham.

NOTICE.

After April 30 and until further notice my address will be Niles, Michigan, R. R. No. 2.

MRS. ETHEL E. BAIR,
State Superintendent Scientific Temperance Instruction.

The Dearborn County W. C. T. U. held an all-day meeting in the M. E. church at Guilford, March 10th, with our county president, Mrs. Maggie Gibson in the chair. A business meeting was held in the forenoon. In the afternoon, Mrs. George W. Augustine of Madison gave her report of the National convention in a very interesting manner and was much enjoyed by all present—Jennie Ward, County Recording Secretary.

New Albany—Mrs. J. H. Jones, county president, writes: Mrs. M. A. McCurdy, state organizer among colored people, is surely the right woman in the right place. She makes no mistakes.

Poor Old Wayne gets hit from all sides. Richmond deserves it. Some of the business men who voted "wet" for the sake of the almighty dollar, now see their mistake. They are losing their country trade. Serves them right! The question had more sides than they knew. They held the dollar so close to their eyes they could see only one side and that the wrong one. We will work hard to redeem our county in two years. I hope Marion will do better.

Greencastle—A Willard meeting was held at the Prayer Meeting hour in Locust Street M. E. church. The pastor, Rev. J. W. Walker, spoke beautifully on "An Inspiring Life." Miss Tessa Evans representing the Alpha Chi sorority gave an interesting biographical sketch. Miss Beth Vandament read an extract from Sen. Beveridge's Tribute to Miss Willard. Several Loyal Temperance Legioners gave quotations from Miss Willard's writings: "How Beautiful to Be With God," was sung very sweetly by Miss Lydia Williams.

Huntington County W. C. T. U. joined hands with other good women in valiant service in the late successful county option election, and in the opinion of Mayor Anderson, reduced the "wet" majority of the city from 300 to 16.

Huntington Local Union held a very successful meeting on Saturday afternoon, February 20th with the Mothers of the Allen Street school. Over one hundred written invitations being sent out. An excellent program was rendered in charge of local superintendent.

A great mass meeting was held on Sunday afternoon, the 28th. Mrs. Vayhinger made a splendid address and sixty new members were received.

The Prize Essay Contest planned for by the Huntington Union occurred on Saturday afternoon, February 27th in the assembly room of our new court house and was a great success. One hundred and sixty-three essays were received and general interest manifested. The room being crowded. The Fahl Sisters quartet sang beautifully. The first two prizes only were read, the first \$10.00 in gold won by Mildred Walknets of city and the second \$5.00 in gold by Minnie Wilson of Roanoke. There were eight more fine prizes given by business men of our city and the number writing merit essays of 92 per cent. and over was large. Mrs. Vayhinger gave a masterful address of forty minutes, which reached the hearts of all. To County Superintendent Potts we owe our thanks for success.

The Gosport Woman's Christian Temperance Union held a public mothers' meeting at the M. E. church Wednesday afternoon, March 3rd. A great number of mothers responded to the invitation to attend and a meeting of much interest was given. After a number of papers, readings and vocal solos, a quiz was conducted in which many profitable talks were given. At the close of the meeting we gained a few strong members that will be a great strength to us in our fight for purity and temperance. We are doing what we can, and are praying that we may see and grasp every opportunity for crushing vice in any form.—Lula S. Wampler.

Laporte union had the pleasure of hearing Hon. M. J. Fanning on March 10. His lecture was helpful and interesting. The weather was unfavorable, so the audience was small. The offering was about fifteen dollars being good for so few present. We are going to have a local option election. Old Laporte is on the move and the saloon keepers are scared.—Mrs. Seth Pease.

Moore's Hill union has been quite active during the past half year. We hold a special meeting for young mothers each quarter under the direction of the Superintendent, Mrs. Valentine. We will now take up contest work again, under the leadership of Mrs. Flora Kennen and Mrs. Florence Steele. We are hoping for a county local option election soon and believe our county will vote dry, but we realize that the battle is not yet won and we mean to increase our efforts until we see the destruction of the liquor traffic not only in our own county, but in the whole wide world.

Laporte union held a Willard Memorial service on February 8th, a short interesting program was rendered. The attendance was good. Plans were also made and discussed for the spring institute. A collection for the memorial fund was taken.—Mrs. Seth Pease.

Whitley County W. C. T. U. secured Hon. M. J. Fanning for one week in the county, beginning his series of lectures at Columbia City, February 11th. He gave four lectures in Churubusco, February 13, 14. The inclemency of the weather did not prevent the people from attending these lectures. We believe that no other speaker ever attracted such audiences in Churubusco, or made so favorable an impression on the people. Twenty-three new members were added to our union, and the offerings and

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pledges amounted to \$67.95. Hon. Fanning also gave splendid lectures at Collins, Land, Coesse and South Whitley. We know that much has been accomplished in Whitley county by this great orator. Churubusco W. C. T. U. held a Frances E. Willard memorial at the home of Mrs. Sarah Smith, Wednesday, February 17. The attendance was very good, and a splendid program was rendered. Four new members were secured at this meeting, making twenty-seven new members this week. We had Mrs. E. Stanley with us last September and secured eight new members at that time. We have gained thirty-five new members since the state convention, more than doubling our membership.

The Little Ridge and Aaron Worth Unions held a joint Frances Willard meeting at Little Ridge church, February 16, there were a goodly number from each union present. The meeting was opened by singing, "Blest Be the Tie." After devotional service by Mrs. Millicent Haisley, there was a duet by Virgil and Cecil Smith, "Cold Water Is the Drink For Me." Owing to the inclemency of the weather, Mrs. Vayhinger could not be present, but we were favored by having President Vayhinger with us. He gave a very instructive talk on the life of Frances Willard in the forenoon. At the noon hour dinner was served and a social time enjoyed by all. The afternoon session was opened by singing, followed with prayer by Mrs. Sadie Harvey. For a short time the children entertained with temperance songs and recitations. We would like to make particular mention of every number on the program, but we can only speak of all in terms of highest praise. President Vayhinger gave the afternoon address which was very impressive and enthusiastic. We hope that much good may be achieved by his appeal in our coming election. His force, power and strong temperance arguments surely went to the hearts of his listeners.—Mrs. D. E. Whitley.

Stinesville W. C. T. U. is not asleep; just been too busy to write. Mrs. K. Hoadley entertained the union in January, each member inviting a guest; a very nice program was arranged by Mrs. F. Litten and refreshments were served. Six new members were added to the union, three of them being ministers' wives. In February a contest was held, which was well patronized and appreciated. March 7th, Mrs. R. A. Dusen, superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, held a very helpful meeting in the Baptist church at which Rev. Layton gave a splendid address. Two new members were added to our ranks. We are looking forward now to county institute which will be held in our little village April 1 and 2. Our dear Mrs. Stanley will be with us, and we expect great times.—Mrs. K. Hoadley.

Oxford Union held a memorial meeting of Frances E. Willard at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening, February 14. Mrs. Mae Wann read a paper on "What the W. C. T. U. Is Doing," Mrs. Ruby Crow on "What Miss Willard Did to Unite the North and the South." These papers were so interesting that they are to be published in our county papers. The Irvin Sisters favored us with a duet. Miss Dona Roberts sweetly sang "The White Ribbon." An offering of \$2.00 was sent to the memorial fund.

The Crown Point W. C. T. U. held a parlor meeting at the home of our county president, Mrs. J. P. Merrill, February 17, in commemoration of Frances E. Willard. The members responded to roll call with Frances Willard quotations. An excellent address was given by Rev. T. H. Ball on "Frances E. Willard, the Well Rounded Woman." Mrs. Julia Vilmer favored us with the beautiful solo, "Some Glad Day." Extracts from Seaborn Wright's address, "The Infamous License System," was read by Mrs. F. L. Knight. An explanation of the memorial fund was given by Mrs. Merrill and an offering received. Delicious refreshments were served by our hostess.—Mrs. F. L. Knight.

Mrs. G. E. Denny of Madison says a county convention of the temperance people was held on a recent Saturday in the court house presided over by Prof. Glen Culbertson. It was the most enthusiastic crowd for temperance ever known in Madison. Rev. J. W. Hanger was chairman of committee on arrangements and much credit is due him for excellent plans. He is a member of the W. C. T. U. The L. T. L. parlors were open all day on that Saturday so that any one coming into town could go there and wait. In the afternoon the W. C. T. U. held a short prayer service in these rooms and marched from there to the court house in a body and went into the gallery where seats were reserved for them. There was great rejoicing, even tears of joy because Jefferson county men came to the front so loyally.

Seymour W. C. T. U. held a reception at the home of Mrs. M. C. Black in honor of the new members. The parlors were adorned with the picture of Miss Willard, the white bow and the starry banner she loved so well, while the dining room was tastefully decorated in white and red. More than one hundred were present and all voted the Reds as royal entertainers as they were cheerful losers. An unusually interesting program consisting of the following was given: Short talk by Rev. H. H. Allen on "Aim and Work of W. C. T. U." paper by Miss Jessie Buchanan; reading Mr. Howard Brown, piano and vocal music by Misses Fern Ritter, Elizabeth Hoffman, Edna Kasting, Mrs. Pfaffenberger, Mrs. Hadley, Miss Marretta Sawyer, Mrs. Hoffman and Mrs. Sawyer. Some time ago the W. C. T. U. was divided into two sections, the Reds and the Blues to recruit for new members. The Blues securing the larger number were entertained by the Reds. The result of contest was to add twenty-three new names to roll of the W. C. T. U.

Millgrove, Blackford County—Hon. M. J. Fanning, the Irish orator of Philadelphia, spoke to a

large audience at the Methodist church here March 5th. We soon will have a local option election in this county and he pleaded with the voters to make the county dry. He did much good here. Dr. Fanning made an eloquent address, full of power and humor. He asked the question many times, "Who Pays the Revenue?" He made it very plain that it was the wives and children of the drinking men. The ladies of the W. C. T. U. sang the "Crusade, Glory," song. An offering of over \$20 in cash and subscriptions was taken for the State W. C. T. U.—Miss Madola Bogue.

The Hartford City union held a Frances E. Willard memorial service in Grace M. E. church Sunday evening. The church was beautifully decorated with bannerettes, bunting and flowers. Rev. Earl Naftzger preached a splendid sermon in which he paid a high tribute to Frances E. Willard and the great organization which she led so many years. The Crusade Glory song was sung with a will, and besides other music, Mrs. Naftzger sang very tenderly and impressively, "All 'Round the World." A generous offering was taken and two dollars sent to the Willard memorial fund.—Mrs. S. M. Stahl.

Blackford County had the good fortune to secure Hon. M. J. Fanning for a few dates. He spoke three times in Hartford City on Sunday, February 28, with an increased attendance at each meeting. The church was too small for the crowd at the last meeting, many standing throughout the service. The people speak well of Mr. Fanning. He certainly is an educator as well as an entertainer. He spoke at four other points. We say, "God bless Mr. Fanning in his great work."—Mrs. S. M. Stahl.

The Roll Purity union gave a Frances E. Willard memorial service at the M. E. church, February 28th. The service was rendered before a large and interested audience. Mrs. Mollie Alexander read a short biography of Miss Willard, Mrs. Katie Balsey read a paper on Miss Willard's work among the young people. Mrs. Gertrude Helmet read a splendid paper on a backward and forward look. Mrs. Sarah Harrold gave a memorial reading from the Message after which she said that while it was our duty to commemorate the Heavenly Birthday of our noble sister, we must not forget to strew flowers in the pathway of our great leaders of today. Among those whom she mentioned were Mrs. Lillian M. Stevens, Mrs. Culla Z. Vayhinger, Mrs. Stahl and our own beloved local president, Mrs. Lizzie Likely. She took Mrs. Likely by the arm and presented her to the audience who responded with the Chautauqua salute. This caused no little merriment. The response showed where the status of public sentiment in this vicinity is. A memorial offering was taken.—Miss Jessie Smith.

Roll, Indiana—Mrs. Dr. Harrold and her committee gave a valentine social Wednesday evening, February 10, for the benefit of the W. C. T. U. after a fine program of music, songs and recitations. The ladies masked in pillowslips and sheets and their husbands sought in vain for a while to find their wives to take them to the beautifully decorated dining room where a two-course lunch was served. First course was two slices of apple and a toothpick; second, sandwich, salad, cheese, coffee. A freewill offering was taken of \$5.75 to help pay the expenses of our representative to the National convention.—Miss Jessie Smith.

Roanoke—The meeting of the W. C. T. U. held at the auditorium of the public school Friday was greatly enjoyed by both members and pupils, interest shown by the number present. The meeting was opened with song by the Union entitled, "Some Glad Day." After devotional, roll call was responded to by members with quotations from Frances Willard. A song "Lest We Forget," rendered by high school pupils was greatly enjoyed by all present. The union presented the High School with a picture of Frances Willard. Mrs. DeLong made the presentation speech, in behalf of the school, Superintendent B. H. Smith responded. Mrs. Juliette Dinius recited a poem entitled, "Poem to Frances Willard." A brief sketch of Frances Willard was read by Lulu Rupert. Miss Willard's call to the temperance platform was discussed by Mrs. Lambert. A very interesting paper was read, "The Greatest American Heroines," by Mrs. Eva Chennour. Mrs. E. M. Wasmuth read a selection, "At the Willard School," which was greatly enjoyed by the pupils. A selection was rendered by the Ladies chorus. Katherine Sites gave a reading entitled, "Awake, Oh, Thou Church of God." Rev. Bain spoke on the subject, "What Effect Cigarettes Have on the Growing Boy." An offering was taken to go to the Frances Willard memorial fund. Meeting closed by singing "America" and the benediction.

Indianapolis North East union held a Pie social at the home of Mrs. Gremslady the evening of February 8. An interesting program of recitations and music was enjoyed. The attendance was good. On February 12th, this union held a Frances Willard Memorial meeting in the Howard Place M. E. church. Notwithstanding that there was a continued heavy downpour of rain there was a goodly number in attendance. The program consisted of appropriate temperance music and an interesting talk by Miss Bessie Eckman on the Life of Miss Willard. A good collection was taken for the memorial fund.

The Lafayette Willard union held a Willard meeting with Mrs. C. R. Hoffman, 220 Tipton street. Good program with excellent music and a fine attendance. The rivalry between the Reds and Blues for new members increases as the time draws near for the close of the membership contest. The March meeting of this union was held at the Old Ladies' Home. The youngest, a "Crusader" aged seventy-four years. The program was greatly enjoyed, especially the music and songs.

Hebron W. C. T. U. met at the home of Elizabeth Rice, March 3rd, and had a most enthusiastic meeting. There has been a membership contest for a month and the captains reported great success. On account of bad weather many could not be present, but there were nine new members on hand with their dollars ready to sign the pledge and read the constitution. Two dollars was voted for the state organization fund. The program was the history of the Hadley home and clipping from the sayings of Mrs. L. M. W. Stevens. The contest was continued a month. Refreshments were served and we adjourned to meet again the 7th of April, when we hope to double our membership.—Elizabeth Rice.

Moore's Hill union held a very interesting Willard memorial service on the evening of February 17th. Music and recitations were furnished by the public schools and an interesting address was given by Dr. W. S. Bovard, president Moore's Hill college. A beautiful framed picture of Miss Willard draped with white ribbon stood on the platform and above it the motto, "Let Something Good Be Said." At the close of the program the significance of the motto was explained to the children and picture and motto presented to the Moore's Hill public schools. A large and interested audience was present and Dr. Bovard became a member and others are interested.

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Our Promoted Comrades

In the death of Hattie Smith Walser the Reiffsburg W. C. T. U. sustains a great loss.

One year ago in April Mr. Walser moved to Michigan with his family in hopes of benefiting his wife's health. She was afflicted with lung trouble.

Sister Hattie was always ready and willing to help the union in any way she could although in very poor health. Some who entered the union when it was first organized with her became discouraged and withdrew. Sister Hattie was loyal and steadfast. She was treasurer of the union from its organization eight years ago until she moved away. Sister Hattie leaves seven boys which mourn the loss of a beloved mother whose prayers were always that this curse be wiped out before they grew up. We rejoice to know that she lived to see this great temperance wave sweeping over the land.

Mooreville—On February 11th, 1909, at the age of 72 years, Martha J. Sumner, a charter member of the Mooreville W. C. T. U. passed to her reward beyond the borders of time.

Sister Sumner was beloved by all temperance workers who knew her and they were many for she was seldom, if ever, without the responsibility of some important office. Faithful unto death, she "fought a good fight, finished her course, and has gone to receive her crown."—Sarah K. Mariner.

Fowlerton—Mrs. Sarah E. Stanton, wife of the Rev. S. S. Stanton was promoted from this earth to dwell in the Holy City of God, March 4, 1909.

Death came sudden to one of such energy and power for God's kingdom is a serious loss to the community in which she lived and to the W. C. T. U. of which she was a devout member. Much might be said of the influence of Mrs. Stanton in this community, suffice it to say that hers was a beautiful Christian character which to know was to love and honor. She never touched a life that she did not make whiter and better. She leaves a husband, three sons and two daughters. "She is gone but not forgotten."—Mrs. Lenna Dickerson.

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Miss Myrtle Kyger

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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DICKIE-ROSE DEBATE.

"Milwaukee's most representative audience" packed the city's big hippodrome to hear the debate on Prohibition between President Samuel Dickie of Albion College (Mich.) and Mayor Rose of Milwaukee.

There were present about four thousand people admitted by free tickets. All available space was taken by an eager, anxious throng.

In addition to the nearly 4,000 members of the audience which although comprised largely of men, included a few hundred prominent ladies of Milwaukee, there were present nearly 100 press representatives and magazine correspondents, representing the leading daily and periodical press of the country. Thousands more were unable to gain admission, although large sums were offered for reserved seats.

For the first time in the annals of the Great Reform, nearly 4,000 business men, supposed to be largely unfriendly to the Prohibition cause, and including among them representatives of the most prominent business and commercial interests of a great city, heard the message of the Prohibitionist from the lips of a distinguished champion, strange and incongruous as it may seem every concrete argument, almost without exception, of the Prohibition advocate was received by this body of men with cheers, frequently with unrestrained enthusiasm.

The Prohibition plea, as presented by President Samuel Dickie, was but one side of the great debate which had stirred the people of Milwaukee as scarcely any other similar event in her history.

The anti-Prohibition side was championed and defended by none other than the city's chief executive, whose fame as an orator equals, if not exceeds his reputation as a politician and a lawyer. The mayor of the brewers' metropolis gave full proof of his gifts of eloquence and dramatic power of delivery.

His well-studied address, in which he exhausted the last moment of his hour and a half quota, was extraordinary for what it omitted, as well as for a long series of amazing claims regarding Prohibition which were so absurd as to admit of no possible analysis by the opponent.

Five Dollars spent for leaflets and distributed by the school children on Saturdays would be of great value to our cause.

Money for this purpose will be contributed in dimes and quarters by men and women who have never been identified with the W. C. T. U. Working men and their wives will help. Ask them.

District the town and select two children for each street and the work will be well done. The children will be pleased thus to be missionaries for temperance.

Local Option mass meetings should be held by every Union in counties that have not yet held elections.

Beside mass meetings public temperance meetings held at the suggestion and by the help of the W. C. T. U. and the Loyal Temperance Legion will be educative. Agitation now is a mighty factor.

Literature can be secured for very reasonable prices and should be freely used in every community. In "wet" territory it will help to create sentiment against the liquor business and in "dry" territory it will arouse the people to demand liquor law enforcement.

One dollar will buy hundreds of excellent leaflets. The W. C. T. U. will do lasting service to the temperance cause by scattering literature.

Where? In every church and Sunday school service held. At all public meetings. By earnest committees making house to house visits. It is not enough that we give our dimes for literature but we must give of ourselves if we will save our homes from the curse of the saloon.

House to house visiting is by far the most effective work that can be done by Christian Temperance women.

In Marion County it is estimated that a local option election will cost \$12,000 for the day, and the estimated receipts of the saloons are \$17,000 a day. If the election was held—saloons closed by law on election day—the estimate would leave \$5,000 in the pockets of the people. Always have in mind that the pockets of the people is where all the money comes from that runs the county machinery. The people pay the bills. When the saloon keeper pays his license fee it is with money received from the people. The people would be better off to pay that into the city and county first hand than to permit the saloon keeper to receive it and give in return for it that which takes away, in varied degrees, the earning power of these same people. Then to establish at immense cost courts and institutions to care for these saloon victims.

The financial idocy of such a plan must be studied really to be comprehended.

The general interest of women of the nation in tariff legislation plainly points to the awakened consciousness of their need of organization. A few cities have sent petitions but the mass of women are powerless without a ballot and largely without party bonds. The day is not far distant when the great concerns of government for the purity and sanctity of the home, will appeal to the women of the nation far more mightily than the question of tariff.

Strongest financial argument against the saloons in any town or county are the facts. Why not get some well informed man to secure the figures and make the statement for publication in the newspapers. The W. C. T. U. can easily assume the responsibility of publication.

The license receipts in some instances make a large sum. Then the estimated expense of keeping up the courts and institutions necessary to care for the results of the saloons will astonish some people.

By Supreme Court decision Martinsville is to have a saloon upon application filed two years ago.

"Dry" Morgan county people will surely see that this one saloon keeper obeys the law or is socially ostracised.

Judge Boston G. Young of Marion, Ohio, decides that it was not illegal in Ohio for men to buy beer at the brewery for family use.

LaFayette has a saloon to about every 200 people—a ratio that does not exist elsewhere in Indiana.

President Stone and the members of the Purdue University Faculty are actively at work for Local Option success in Tippecanoe county. With 1,800 students representing nearly every county in Indiana and almost every state in the nation great interest centers in Tippecanoe county election.

The liquor men have a prominent liquor man of Danville, Ill., as leader, the same man that was manager for them at Logansport.

Mayor Rose, of Milwaukee, the liquor orator who recently debated Prohibition with Pres. Samuel Dickie at Milwaukee, is now speaking and working for the liquor men in Indiana.

Newspaper reports say that there is much gambling among women at French Lick. We quote:

Brown's gambling-room even when empty of guests is a beautiful place. When filled with some two hundred or more guests perhaps half were women. Men for the most part in evening dress, women gowned handsomely enough for an evening reception. * * * * * The plungers among the women, however, do not stop at keno, but seek the roulette tables, the "Klondyke" board of "ponies." They play a more daring game than the men, and trust more to intuition. Twenty-five dollars' worth of chips is a comparatively low average for the woman gambler to start with in a roulette game, and she usually remains until late in the evening.

....Knox county commissioners refuse to call a local option election because the county council refused to make an appropriation.

The commissioners in petitioning for an appropriation estimated the cost of an election at \$2,460 and stated that an emergency existed.

Hundreds of temperance people and others were present. Objections in writing were presented by the hotel and ice men.

Able attorneys are on local option committee who say they will ask the Circuit Court to compel the commissioners to order an election.

Indianapolis had the first Sunday baseball game April 18. It is estimated that 20,000 people came to Indianapolis on Sunday over the railroad and interurban lines. Many "Sunday bars" were open, there being few saloons closed but only a few arrests for drunkenness. Few saloonkeepers were disturbed by the police.

All over the State there is intense interest in the local option elections to be held. In no other cause is there such need of individual effort. Women can all do effective work some way, some how.

House to house visiting and distributing literature is of the greatest importance. Almost any woman can arrange to work an hour or two doing this kind of work.

This is a hand to hand struggle with the liquor element. We will not be victorious until our women take a hand.

At Richmond the official board of the First M. E. church has decided that women of the congregation must remove their hats.

This is just and right. Indignant indeed would

be the occupants of a pew behind a woman who would hold an open umbrella over her during the preaching service. Some of these monstrous millinery creations are little smaller than an open umbrella. Hideous and ugly bundles of straw! Suitable to be worn in the garden when the sun shines hot and not in an audience.

On April 6 two women were elected members of the School Board of Milwaukee.

Liquor Drinking on the trains will be prohibited in Arkansas and Tennessee. This should be done in all prohibition territory. Some dining cars carry a full line of intoxicating liquors and much drinking is done.

LaFayette.—A large mass meeting was held in the Grand Opera House and among other speakers was Prof. Thomas F. Moran, head of History and Economics at Purdue University. In part he said:

"While the saloons pay in taxes and license fees to the county the sum of \$21,000 yearly, this being the total revenue the county pays out \$42,000 a year for its penal and charitable institutions. It is conservatively estimated that half of this sum is attributable to the liquor evil. This gives us a balance between the amount paid into the treasury by the saloons and the amount they cause to be drawn out. But the largest item does not figure into this calculation. It has been found, from careful calculation, that the daily average receipts of each saloon is \$25.00. There are 105 saloons. This gives us the huge sum of \$800,000 which passes over the saloon bars of this city every year. For this sum paid into the saloons there is no return. Then, too, there is no account taken of the time wasted by workmen in saloons, no account of the depreciation in their earning capacity due to drink, no account of the sum paid for the support of the State penal and charitable institutions largely made necessary by drink, no account of the broken hearts and ruined homes due to alcoholism."

The suppression of the saloons, he said, would undoubtedly cause some few people financial embarrassment. A farmer of Benton county, he said, had promised him that the farmers of that county would give employment to every man thrown out of work by reason of the saloons being put out of business in Lafayette.

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Forty-two Dry counties out of forty-five county elections.

"Wet" Counties.

Counties and dates of election	Majority
Wayne, February 5	751
Cass, April 6	108
Blackford, April 6	182

"Dry" Counties.

Counties and dates of election	Majority
Elkhart, March 25	879
Orange, March 25	745
Bartholomew, March 30	783
Jennings, March 30	520
Vermillion, March 30	285
Henry, March 31	2,588

Counties "Dry" by Remonstrance.

The Daylight Liquor Bill passed the Nebraska legislature and great effort was made to influence Governor Shallenberger to veto the bill but without success. He signed the bill.

Former Governor Poynter was in company with the delegation of temperance people that was given a hearing by Gov. Shallenberger, and made a strong plea for the executive endorsement of the bill. Mrs. Heald, the State W. C. T. U. president was the next speaker and while she was pleading with Gov. Shallenberger to sign the bill, ex-Gov. Poynter fell to the floor and was carried across the hall where he immediately expired.

This law goes into effect July 1st and prohibits licensed saloons from doing business before 7 a. m. or after 8 p. m. Some men will get acquainted with their families during the next winter evenings. State Prohibition rather than county option is being urged by temperance leaders as the next step in Nebraska.

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MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

Noblesville, Ind., April 5, 1909.

Executive Committee met in the parlor of the First Christian Church at 2 P. M. with President Vayhinger in the chair. The meeting opened by singing "White Ribbon Glory Song," after which Mrs. Shugart, of Grant county, read the Twenty-third Psalm. Her exposition of the Psalm was beautiful, sweet and uplifting and was in part as follows: "Christ is a satisfying portion. When we follow Him He leads us safely and gently over the pathway of life. The eastern shepherd goes before his sheep; they follow him. Sometimes one or more fall sick and stay behind. He returns and cares for the sick ones. Just so with our God. 'He restoreth our souls.' Mrs. Shugart drew a beautiful picture of the eastern shepherd and his care of his flock. David knew all this and used it in this Psalm for our comfort."

The Roll Call followed and was responded to by the county presidents telling of the Local Option elections which had been or were to be held in their counties.

Mrs. Vayhinger said that inasmuch as the W. C. T. U. women were taking an active part in all these elections, she thought it would be well to have a definite plan to which they could work, and asked for an expression of opinion. After discussion the following plan was recommended: 'Call a mass meeting of women, and let there be a brief address setting forth the object. Appoint a committee from each of the churches. Then let the following committees be appointed for each town:

- I. House to house visiting.
- II. Literature and Tagging.
- III. Ringing of Bells and Prayer Meetings.
- IV. Lunch.
- V. Demonstration: Parade for Women and Children.
- VI. Music.
- VII. Finance.

Use every effort to influence the press. Co-operate with the voters and work their plans.

Mrs. Vayhinger said: "If I were compelled to do away with all these committees save one, and could choose that one I would keep the fifth, because that represents the ballotless class."

At this point Mr. Roher of Berne, Ind., was introduced and spoke for a few minutes.

The committee rose to meet at 8 A. M. Tuesday, April 6.

Tuesday, April 6, 8 A. M.

Executive met in the church parlor and after prayer by Mrs. Stanley proceeded at once to the business of the day.

Miss Mary Woodard, State Corresponding Secretary, made her report for the past six months. This was very encouraging, showing much activity along all lines. Eighteen new Unions had been organized since State convention.

Miss Clara Sears, State Treasurer, read her report. A gain in membership was reported. On motion these reports were adopted.

Mrs. Vayhinger explained at length the particulars concerning the Hadley School business and at the close of her remarks invited general discussion, questions, etc. Invitation was responded to and discussion was freely participated in.

Mrs. Hann, President of the Hadley Board, gave her report. Hadley now has a good matron. The donations have been few. There seemed, however, to be much interest, as many letters had been received which made inquiries regarding school and its needs. The Board is now prepared to receive a greater number of girls and several applications are before them at this time. Several improvements have been made and more are contemplated. More furniture is needed. All boxes or parcels for the school should be addressed as follows: "Hadley Industrial School For Girls, Hadley, Indiana."

A contract for a new well had been let and the men were expected to begin work at once. This was to cost \$1.25 a foot. Mrs. Hann asked that individuals and Unions take a foot or more

as they were able, so that the money might be on hand when the work was completed. It was estimated that the well would be about 80 feet deep. Several of those present handed in their gifts and others promised to bring the matter before their Unions.

Mrs. Outland reported regarding the memorials for Hadley school. All that had been paid for had as near as possible been placed, and the work would be complete by the time of State convention.

Miss Laura Cammack, State Y Secretary, reported the Y work. 725 pages of literature had been sent out, besides a number of Year Books. There was a prospect of several Y's before the end of the year. The County Presidents were urged to appoint county Y Secretaries.

At this time Mr. Charles Holler of South Bend, was presented to the members of the Executive and spoke for some time to the pleasure and profit of the women.

Mrs. Ida Mix, State L. T. L. Secretary, reported the L. T. L. work. Mrs. Mix said she felt much encouraged. She had received and written more letters in the past six months than in any previous six months during her years of service. Seven new Legions have been organized since State convention. Eighteen counties were organized. Great plans were being made for the L. T. L. State convention to be held at Greencastle in July. It was much desired by the Legioners that a representative from each county be present. Every officer of the W. C. T. U. invited, all the Trustees, and as many of the county Presidents as can possibly go. Mrs. Mix urged the women to subscribe for the Crusader Monthly. It was her desire to have 2,000 subscribers by July.

Mrs. Fulton spoke regarding the Department Pennants. Miss Clara Sears moved that the care of and the plan for presenting the Pennants be left in the hands of Mrs. Fulton and Mrs. Holler. Motion prevailed.

The greeting and love of Mrs. Cammack Gibson were at this time conveyed to the Executive.

Committee rose to meet at 1:30 P. M.

Plans for Winona Day were discussed.

By consent the date of State Convention was left to Trustees. Some plans for convention were discussed.

At 2:30 the Executive resolved itself into a public meeting, and the following subjects were presented:

Christian Citizenship—Mrs. Gertrude Fulton.

Franchise—Mrs. Mary E. Woodard.

White Slave Traffic—Mrs. Rose Pearce.

On Monday night at 7:30 Mr. Roher of Berne, Ind., spoke to a good audience in the First Christian Church.

ROSE PEARCE,
State Recording Sec.

APPEAL FROM THE STATE Y SECRETARY.

Dear Sisters of the W. C. T. U.:

I feel that too much cannot be said concerning the Y work, or the need of it in Indiana, and I would that I could say some word or words which would arouse your interest to the extent of getting out after the young women and getting them organized into Y Branches or Y Unions. Won't you take some action at your next meeting, choose some woman of tact and influence and see who can be the first to report a Y Union.

But two Y Unions in Indiana. Isn't that too bad, and won't you do your part to change this lamentable state of affairs?

The Y Year Books which I am just longing to send you are so full of interest, splendid program for each month, and tells of one hundred things a Y can do, our National Y Secretary's report for last year, etc.

Then to the members of the Y's let me say a word. There has been made just recently a new Y button which is very popular and inexpensive, 5 cents each, or twenty-five or more three cents each. Also the very pretty Y postcards, "Our Plan," and "Wanted—A Girl." These can be used to good advantage, 2 for 5 cents. These and the buttons can be ordered from Miss A. E. Thomas, 1902 Wallace street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Some states are selling these cards to raise money for the Japanese work, or Kara Smart fund as it is called.

May is Missionary Month and the Y's are urged to do something for the Missionary fund in that month, so I trust you will bear this in mind. And lastly, dear Y's, please remember the noontide prayer when we ask for the blessing of our leaders, and for new workers.

Yours in loving service,

LAURA G. CAMMACK,
Converse, Ind. State Y Sec.

INSTITUTES.

Dear Sisters:—

Our Institute season is rapidly passing and we have held and are still holding over the State some of the best Institutes Indiana has ever had. To those counties still on the schedule let me say: Will you not in your Institute make a special effort to gain new members and to increase the subscriptions to the Union League and Crusader Monthly? Remember that our watchword is: "10,000 members by October, 1909." In the last six months we have made a gain in the State, but much remains to be done. The Institutes give us a great opportunity. Let us use it. I want to

thank you every one for your loyalty to the Institute Plan and to your Superintendent. It has been so much help in the work.

Lovingly yours,

ROSE PEARCE, State Supt, Institutes,
April, 1909.

Marion—The April meeting of the Shugart W. C. T. U. at the home of Mrs. Louise Shulaw of No. 1308 Spencer avenue proved decidedly interesting Wednesday afternoon. There were thirty ladies present. The Leader reporter who attended the meeting was heartily welcomed by Mrs. Shugart and shown every courtesy. Although a late caller he was invited into the house, seated and shown every consideration. Notwithstanding the attentions of the hostess and her desire to aid the press representative in the discharge of his duties Mrs. Nathan Johnson, one of the leading officers of the Shugart W. C. T. U. interposed an objection when she stated she was under orders from the county press superintendent, Mrs. Sarah E. Thomas, not to give any report to the Leader. "We desire to give all our news to our organ, the Chronicle," said Mrs. Johnson, "and when the Leader reporters come to the house and ask for the news there is nothing left for the Chronicle and they have to clip the story."

Mrs. Shulaw, the hostess, interposed an objection and insisted the Leader be given the news as she takes the paper and desired to see the story in print, but her objections were overruled by Mrs. Johnson, and the interview denied. Mrs. Shulaw was ably assisted in entertaining by Mrs. O. A. Blake and the regular program was carried out. There were three new members added to the union and four visitors were present. The devotionals were led by Mrs. Blake and a number of ladies gave prayer.

The members of the union answered to roll call with quotations from the Crusader Monthly, and Mrs. Shulaw the hostess, gave an interesting program on the life and work of Frances E. Willard the famous temperance leader. Miss Margaret Ream gave a fine vocal solo, which was greatly enjoyed by all the ladies. Mrs. Shulaw then favored her guests with a reading entitled "Is the W. C. T. U. Worthy of Citizenship?" Miss Ruth Roberts rendered a solo, followed by a reading by Mrs. Ella Seal, entitled "Jack, the Fisherman." Mrs. Seal needs no introduction to the people of Marion and her ability as a reader is known throughout every W. C. T. U. union in the county. Mrs. Seal's reading was taken from the works of Elizabeth Phelps, and was particularly appropriate for this meeting.

Mrs. Esther Barney read a splendid paper on "Scientific Temperance." Mrs. Barney dwelt at length on the proper method of carrying on the great reform wave, and insisted that only in organization and steadfastness of purpose can worthy ends be attained. Co-operation on the part of all women of the county and perseverance are the two great principles to be observed. Mrs. Barney favored eliminating all medicines which contain strong drugs so that the drink habit will be completely discouraged.

"Petition and Legislation" was the subject of a fine paper by Mrs. S. A. Rhodehammel of West Marion. Mrs. Rhodehammel took up the question of legislation favored by the W. C. T. U., and in the course of her remarks urged state wide prohibition. "Its the only means of salvation and we must take this step," said Mrs. Rhodehammel. The paper was presented in an excellent manner and the reader was liberally applauded for her work.

Delightful refreshments were served.

The Flower Mission social of the Shugart W. C. T. U. was held Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Maggie Parson, and the meeting proved to be a success in every way. During the evening the ladies of the union received \$7.00 in cash to be used by them in purchasing flowers for their sick friends. The Flower Mission work of the organization is proving a great feature and hundreds of desolate rooms are made pleasant and the sick are greatly encouraged. The opening prayer was made by Mrs. J. E. Shannon, followed by a piano duet by the Misses Erwin and Shannon. An excellent program of readings and special music was greatly enjoyed.

DAILY HEALTH HINT.

Teaching Hygiene.

A place should be made in the curriculum of every school and college for courses in public hygiene. It is as important for the state to see to it that the people are educated along these lines as that they shall know how to read and write. And especially is it essential that the teachers of the land be equipped with the knowledge to enable them to instruct their pupils in the primary principles of personal and public hygiene. It is in our schools that the children of today should be taught about the dangerous communicable diseases and how to prevent them; also how to protect themselves from those that are known to be preventable, and, in turn, to impart this valuable information to others.—Chicago Tribune.

On account of the well failing at our Hadley Industrial School, a new one has to be put down, which will cost \$1.25 per foot. Several pledges were taken at the Mid-Year meeting, and we will ask either Unions, or individuals to dig a foot, by sending \$1.25 to the State Treasurer, as soon as possible, and help with the expense.

CLARA M. SEARS, Treas.

P. S.—The well is finished; is 83 feet deep. Plenty of water. The pipe is nine feet in the rock. The water stands within twelve feet of top.

HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

April 20, 1909.

Dear Sisters:—

(When you read the minutes of the Mid-Year Executive meeting you will read of the new well which is to be provided for the use of the Hadley School. It is earnestly desired that when this well is completed the money may be in the hands of the State Treasurer to meet the bill. The plan brought before the Executive is such an easy one. Are there not 100 White Ribboners in Indiana who will send \$1.25 to the State Treasurer as their share? This will meet all the expense and maybe a little over. Are there not some Unions who can send in this small sum and who will be glad to do so? You are earnestly requested to send in these gifts at once. Our School is on a better foundation than ever before, our opportunities are greater, but our needs are also greater. Now is the time for every loyal member to come to the help of your board. Confidently expecting that you will respond quickly and gladly, and thanking you each one, I am lovingly yours,

ROSE PEARCE, State Rec. Sec.

LITERATURE.

Send for samples and catalogue of supplies to the National Temperance Society, No. 3 East Fourteenth street, New York City.

Many excellent leaflets published, "Hard Times" is especially good. Very inexpensive leaflets.

Send to the Permanent Committee on Temperance of the Presbyterian church, No. 72 Cone-stoga Bldg., Pittsburg, Pa.

Systematic and Proportionate Giving.

Dear Sisters:

Your Supt. of this department is receiving a number of letters on this line of work which indicates the interest taken in the subject, and I have written, and forwarded literature to all the County Superintendents of this department whose names appear in State minutes, beside other interested persons. I have instructed the County Superintendents to make a specialty this year of public meetings with a well arranged program, and the distribution of literature, and keep a strict account of the work done to report later in the year. I may not receive all the letters directed to me, as my address is given in the State minutes Richmond, and should be Fountain City. Please take note. Yours in the work,

L. ELLA HARTLEY, State Supt.

YOUNG WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION—IMPORTANT.

Please have the following letter read at the next meeting of your Union.

Dear Sisters:

We all rejoice at the Victory Notes which are coming to us from all sides, but the battle is only just begun and there will probably be a need of the W. C. T. U. in the field of reform for many years to come. Many of our Unions are today facing a serious question, viz.—who will take up and carry on this work. There has been in some Unions a growing indifference to the need of the Y Branch or a discouragement over the possibility of reaching and training young women for this field of work. I come to you today dear sisters with the plea that you will not be content to labor on in this field yourselves but that you will reach out for the young women around you and never rest until they too are enlisted in this holy warfare.

Choose your most girl-loving woman as a Y Secretary—if you can't organize a regular Y Union have a Y Branch. The work of the Y is really very beautiful when once you are thoroughly interested. This year our Y's are endeavoring to put Miss Willard's picture in public Institutions, raise \$600.00 for our Japanese Missionary Fund, organize in schools and colleges and we have other beautiful plans.

The Y gives to a young woman a training which she receives in no other organization. She needs this training for her own self protection and to enhance her value to society. Dear sisters you need the young women. While they naturally have not the wealth of experience nor soundness of judgment which comes with the years they bring to any cause they espouse a great social influence and an energy and optimism which is refreshing to those who have labored long in a strenuous reform.

Now will your Union help me to gain the twenty thousand new members we are trying to secure in our Y Branch this year?

If you are interested in doing something write me about it no matter how unpromising the field seems to be. I'll help you if possible. If you will send five cents to Miss A. E. Thomas, 1902

Wallace Street, Philadelphia, she will send you our Y Year Book which contains full information about Y Work, programs for a year and a list of "One hundred Things a Y Con Do."

Please do not throw this letter into the waste basket but take some action upon it and God will bless you as you reach out to pin the White Ribbon on the dear girls and bring them in.

Yours in loving bonds,

RHENA E. G. MOSHER,

Westfield, New York. National Y Secretary.

I trust that the above letter from our National Secretary will be read in every Union in the State and that it will arouse an interest in the young woman's work, and that a Y Secretary will be chosen in each Union to get the dear girls into this great work for humanity.

I am so anxious that we have several, yes many, Y Unions or Y Branches organized during the next few months, and that I may be able to go up to our State Convention with a good full report. Dear sisters will you help?

I have some excellent leaflets, and also some of the Y Year Books which I will gladly send you, if you will only ask for them. The Year Books are 5c each, but are full of good things from cover to cover. I have sent out a few copies of the above letter to the President of local Unions and shall expect and pray for good results.

Let us unite our efforts in winning the young people for our work. Yours for service,

(MISS) LAURA G. CAMMACK,

State Secretary.

Converse, Ind.

PEACE DEPARTMENT.

Call For Hague Day Celebration.

The state, county and local Superintendent of our Department of Peace and International Arbitration did such faithful and good work last year that we feel sanguine of good reports of effort on our beautiful lines of work this year.

Many schools were induced to prepare and carry out programs commemorating the anniversary of the opening of the first Congress of Nations which was held at the Hague in Holland in 1899, beginning on the 18th of May. We hope that still more public schools will commemorate the tenth anniversary this year on May 18th, or a day near that date, by carrying out original and appropriate programs or by the use of those that we have published and can furnish at cost (one cent each), at our office in Winthrop Center, Me.

The Hague Conference of 1899 meant much to the world. It was a forerunner of other conferences of nations and of the great International Court of Arbitration since organized to settle justly and fairly any differences that may arise between nations without their resorting to the cruel and often unjust arbitrament of modern warfare.

Superintendents and Unions will please take note of the approaching Hague Day anniversary and do all they can to promote an interest in its celebration, especially by schools, in order that the principles of the gospel of peace may be promulgated and our children may learn the better and more reasonable way of settling difficulties than by military force.

HANNAH J. BAILEY,

Supt. Peace Dept.

Winthrop Center, Me., March 27, 1909.

LOYAL TEMPEANCE LEGION.

The National L. T. L. Year Book has been received. I want every W. C. T. U. officer, Superintendent of the State, every President, L. T. L. Secretary of the Counties, and every local L. T. L. Secretary, Leader and President in the different Legions to have one. If you have not received it just drop me a postal card and you may have one free. I do want to emphasize the value of the Christian Citizenship program by Mrs. Etta Freeman Lane, Plain City, Ohio. Price 25 cents. They will be a help to arouse the Christian voters in your community.

Five Dollars in gold has been offered to the State having the greatest number of Legions maintaining a Temperance column in the local papers. The L. T. L. Press Bureau is now in working order and the copy it turns out is just what you need to supply that Temperance column with live, up-to-date matter. Write Mr. Joe Towell, Mendon, Mass., the gifted young New England author, who will furnish copy all in readiness for the printer, at 50 cents per month.

Read page 58 of the New L. T. L. Year Book, and help to swell the Anna A. Gordon Missionary Fund.

Now listen to the Crusader Monthly count taken March 15th. Indiana lost 27 subscribers, leaving our list 950. How about our plan of 2,000 by Sept. 15, 1909?

We hope to have our program for State convention, planned soon. Miss Blanche Thorne is chairman of program committee, and soon she will have the work in hands. Be ready to do anything you are called upon to make this convention a success. A misprint in Message last month which read "We want 200 delegates" should have been Two Thousand. Our Legions at Greencastle are asking largely; let us not disappoint them. Commence at once to raise money to send a big delegation from your Legion. We

are to have a Thanksgiving service. Two minute speech from every county, of the work done in your county along the line of Temperance. Where there are no Legions in the county, we want the W. C. T. U. County Executive to send us a young man or young woman to give us the report; and if a county has no Legion or county organization, but a Union, we want that Union to send a representative. The entertainment will be free. You pay the car fare or traveling expenses. We believe this will be a paying investment to you, in the inspiration they will get by coming in touch with our workers from over the State. Try it this time and help us that much. Some of you have never made the effort before, to help us in our State convention, and it is one way you can help this time. Try it.

Mrs. M. A. McCurdy, State Organizer of W. C. T. U. among colored people, has reported the following: A Legion at New Albany, with 84 pledged members, with Miss Nannie Richardson as Secretary. One at Columbus, with 15 pledged members, Miss P. L. Durett, Secretary. One, "The Bethel Legion," at Indianapolis, with Miss Pearl Gilliam Secretary, and one at Muncie, "The Burden Legion," with Miss Mable Burden Secretary. I am sure we gladly welcome these young people into our ranks and ask the Lord to bless them and Mrs. McCurdy in this work.

Now let's plan for delegates to our convention. Send in full reports. This quarter ends our L. T. L. year June 15th. Yours to help,

IDA M. MIX, State Secretary.

PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

Through the Message I wish to call the attention of every W. C. T. U. worker in Indiana, especially Superintendents of Peace and Arbitration to prominence given by the Indianapolis News to the subject of Rifle Drills in the Public Schools.

In the March 25, 09, issue of The News page 11, almost a column article on "Rifle Practice in Schools" was found. The writer says: "The News has from time to time, found occasion to comment adversely upon the work conducted by the National Rifle Association of America, in its efforts to encourage and promote military rifle shooting among our citizens, particularly in reference to the teaching of shooting in the public schools." The writer further says: "I have no doubt that these comments, including a cartoon intended to make the idea appear ridiculous, have been due solely to the failure of those responsible ever to consider the matter as a serious proposition."

The W. C. T. U. is unalterably opposed to war and to all that tends to educate or influence in that direction. We are pleased to recognize every influence against militarism and a tendency toward making this a military nation.

I earnestly request that each Union throughout the State, send a letter of appreciation to the Indianapolis News for its influence in the article mentioned against "Rifle Drills in the Public Schools."

This should be done at an early date, the result of these brief letters can not be estimated. Let us unite our prayers for Peace. We trust that the time is not far distant when the Angel of Peace can raise her drooping head and rejoice that the Americans have been loyal to the teachings of our dear Saviour.

Yours for a successful year,

MRS. LULU LAMB, State Supt.

Amboy, Miami Co., Ind.

LAW AND STATISTICS.

County Presidents and Superintendents of Law and Statistics, you will receive a duplicate of the card inserted here:

Richmond, Indiana.

Dear Sister:

Have you a Superintendent of Law and Statistics?

If not, will you answer the following questions by the 15th of September, 1909?

Has your county voted on Local Option?.....

If so, what majority for Wet?.... Or Dry?...

How many saloons put out of business in your county?.....

How many breweries?.....

How many arrests for drunk in county, 1909.....

How many police have you in county?.....

What is the total amount of their salaries?..

(For information, ask the Chief of Police and County Auditor.)

MRS. ROWENA E. RANDLE.

State Superintendent of Law and Statistics.

Indiana W. C. T. U.

Will you use it for your Bible mark and then see that it is properly filled out and sent to me by the 15th of Sept, 1909. This will be a great year for statistics, and we want to show the people of the State what we are doing and how near we Temperance advocates control the State.

Yours,

MRS. ROWENA E. RANDLE,

State Supt. L. T. L.

FIELD NEWS

The Montpelier W. C. T. U. held a Frances Willard memorial meeting in their room at the library. Good papers were read on the girlhood and the life of Frances E. Willard. The Union furnished clothing for a new baby whose mother was a very worthy woman, whose husband had just died. The babe is named Frances Willard. Our Blackford county sisters had a hard local option fight and lost at the election by 132 votes. The W. C. T. U. women and anti-saloon people worked hard. We had the school children to give a demonstration carrying large banners upon which were the words, "Vote for me" and "vote for the home." We gave the demonstration on Saturday before the election on Tuesday. We placed a banner in every home and every business house where they would permit. The Anti-Saloon League placed large cartoons in some of the windows and on bill-boards and in the M. E. church where the most of our lectures were given. The cartoon represented a small boy and girl, under which were these words: "The Saloon, or Save the Boys and Girls." In polling the town we had quite a majority for the "drys" and was sure of winning. We were simply crushed when we heard that we were defeated. The W. C. T. U. held an all-day prayer meeting at the church commencing at six in the morning and closing at six in the evening. All the church bells rang every half hour all day and the factory whistles blew every hour. Some of the ladies were stationed at each precinct and served hot coffee and sandwiches free to the voters. It is more than a mystery how any man could listen to the good lectures that were given and then vote "wet," as the M. E. church was packed every night to hear the speaking and several hundred had to be turned away for the want of standing room. Today there are two saloon-keepers applying for a license at Hartford City, and are men are over fighting it as our town is "dry" with a remonstrance. The last saloon closed last Wednesday. It remains to be seen what the outcome will be. We will not give up and hope and pray that our next election will be for State wide prohibition, believing God will rule in the end.—Mrs. Manervia Bartmon.

The Allen County Institute was held in Monroeville M. E. church March 16 and 17, and although the weather was not the best, our Institute was one of the best ever held in the county. Mrs. Josephine Walmer leader, Mrs. Martha Ridenour our county President, Mrs. West our loyal local President, assisting. Everything from start to finish was full of interest. Some questions from our question box are still confronting us, and we hope interest in them will not abate until the problems are solved. Especially these two: "Why do we so often see young men and boys under the influence of liquor in dry territory?" "Why not have an L. T. L. in Monroeville?" "A Review of the Work" by our county President told us of much good work being done. She also impressed us with the need of the great work in Allen county that we would be willing to do anything or everything to put Allen county in the "dry" column. Rev. A. K. Hartman of Fort Wayne Grace Reformed Church, gave an address, "Present Status of the Temperance Movement in Indiana." Our first evening was given to the Gold Medal contest in charge of County Superintendent Mrs. Barnhart. This was attended by a crowd. The large auditorium being filled, many standing. The class consisted of five young ladies and one young gentleman. The medal was awarded to Miss Vickie Meyers and presented by Mrs. Walmer. Recitations were given while the judges were out, by Mrs. Bertha Youse, Miss Ethel Barnhart and Miss Bertha Heckler. Special music for the evening by the choir including Messrs. C. W. Peckham, C. W. Barnhart, M. A. Smith, and Mesdames M. A. Smith, Ida Youse, J. A. West and Bertha Youse. The music added much to the evening's pleasure. The second day's program was full of interest. Excellent papers were read by Mesdames R. A. Hunter Bloom and Burns of Fort Wayne, Mesdames Eagy, Youse and Vogel of Monroeville. Subscribers for Crusader Monthly taken 10, Union Signal 6. Our Institute closed Wednesday evening with an address by Mrs. Josephine Walmer, that was pronounced one of the best ever made in our city. It was delivered in her own matchless style. The large audience was deeply moved and definite results for good must follow the strong appeal for better living and a nobler, saner citizenship. Many things of great interest that entered into the Institute must be omitted from this brief report.—Florence Barnhart, Press Supt.

Michael J. Fanning addressed a large audience in Indianapolis at the East Tenth Street M. E. Church March 26, under the auspices of the Brightwood, Northeast and Vayhnger W. C. T. U.'s. The Clarion Quartette furnished the music, which, with the speaker was much appreciated. A goodly offering was taken for the State's work, which, the speaker announced as being the largest in the county during his lectures here.—Mrs. E. F. Brown.

Benton County W. C. T. U. Normal Institute was held in the M. E. church in Otterbein March 18 and 19, 1909, with Mrs. Amanda Smith, the county President presiding. The local unions

were well represented and brought good reports. Mrs. Luella McWhirter pleased every one and gave one of the very best institutes ever held in the county.

Benton County Dry by a Majority of 885.—The local option election in Benton county March 23rd is over and the victors are rejoicing. Oak Grove township, where the Oxford W. C. T. U. has been doing active work, gave the largest dry majority of any township in the county. The W. C. T. U. assisted by the ladies of the churches served free lunch to the voters. The Local Option League reorganized last week as the Law and Order League with the same officers to try and see that the laws are enforced.

The Oxford W. C. T. U. met March 26th, at the home of Mrs. Gwin with a good attendance. Mrs. Belle Benedict gave a full and interesting account of the Normal Institute at Otterbein. Mrs. Mary Crosson as leader brought out the dangers of alcohol in medicines and the indiscriminate use of headache tablets. One Parlor Press meeting was held March 12, with Mrs. Alma Tharp and several new subscribers secured for the Union Signal and Crusader Monthly. As a result of the meeting April 2nd on Sabbath observance the Sunday laws are to be printed in the local paper.—Mrs. L. B. Evans, Local Press Supt.

The DeKalb County Institute at Waterloo.—The County Institute of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held in the Evangelical church at Waterloo, March 18 and 19, and was very well attended. The meetings were full of interest, from the opening to the closing session. Thursday's session being largely given to business proceedings. In the afternoon Rev. Sterling of Garrett, gave an excellent address upon "The Tobacco Habit." Mrs. Josephine Walmer, of Bluffton, a W. C. T. U. state worker, was present, and very ably conducted the Institute. She also gave the address on **Welcome night**, and a ladies' quartet from Auburn furnished special music. Friday morning session opened with music and devotional. Mrs. Hasselman of Butler sang a solo, followed with a paper by Miss Jennie Shutt of Auburn on "The White Slave Trade of Today," which created much interest, and called forth a discussion of the enormity and growth of this evil. Dr. Stewart of Auburn, next read an interesting and helpful paper upon, "The Latest Findings of Science as Regards the Effects of Alcohol on the Human System," which was followed by discussion led by Mrs. Walmer. The afternoon session opened with praise service, conducted by Mrs. Kagey of Auburn, and special music, a piano trio, by Mrs. Beidler, Mrs. Rufner, and Miss Goodwin, of Waterloo. Dr. Lida Leasure of Auburn, gave an excellent address on "The Advantages of Municipal Suffrage for Women," followed by a reading by Mrs. A. M. Oswalt, of Auburn. Supt. Mowdy of Waterloo, next gave an address upon the subject, "The Need of a Law, for the Protection of Prohibition Territory," which was very helpful and instructive. The Silver Medal contest, consisting of nine contestants from Garrett, Auburn, Waterloo and St. Joe, furnished a splendid program for the evening, interspersed with music by Waterloo talent. Miss Thelma Grover of Auburn, was awarded the medal. A large number of Garrett and Auburn people were in attendance at this closing session of the institute, and received an inspiration for more vigorous efforts, along all lines of temperance and reform work.

The Delaware County W. C. T. U. Institute met at the Normal City, M. E. church. The opening session was held on Thursday evening, April 15, 1909. After the devotional a class of children enthused the audience by singing, "Please Won't You Vote It Out?" Mrs. Elizabeth T. Stanley, State Vice President, gave the address of the evening to a large and appreciative audience. She dealt principally with conditions in our local option fight, and we believe that much good will be accomplished. Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, State President, presided on Friday, April 16, 1909. The forenoon session was largely taken up with the subject of the "White Slave Traffic," which was ably discussed by Mrs. Odessa Rayle, of Muncie, State Supt. of Purity. Dr. Owens of Muncie, gave an interesting discussion of "The Effects of Alcohol on the Human System." The first address of the afternoon was by the Rev. O. M. Eaton, of Muncie, on "The Power of the Pulpit Used Aggressively Against the Liquor Traffic." Mrs. McCurdy, State Organizer among the colored people, was present and encouraged us by her report of the good work done among the colored people. She has recently organized a Union of Colored women in Muncie. A number of girls from the upper grades of the Normal City schools were present and Mrs. Vayhinger gave them some excellent advice. Mrs. Marguerite Snell, a member of our local Union, read an original poem. During the Institute session 16 active and 2 honorary members were added to the different Unions of the county.

The Sardinia W. C. T. U. celebrated its first anniversary at the home of Mrs. George Claypole, the evening of April 14th. The members with their families and invited guests were entertained with a "Guessing Contest" of noted characters, after which Mrs. Susie Graves gave the annual report of the Union. A musical program was given by the following persons: Master Emmons Ag-

new, Misses Maviina Claypole, Joy Vanblaricum, Cecil Shaw, Bessie Arbuckle, E. Rose Meredith, Mrs. Zula Kennedy, Mr. Lowell Hubbard and Professor Roy Kennedy. The pledge cards were then passed by Masters John Gaston and Joseph Graves, and the Union gained four new honorary members. Dainty refreshments were served by the ladies.—E. Rose Meredith.

Columbia City, Whitley Co. W. C. T. U. has recently had National and State workers. Much good has been accomplished. Hon. M. J. Fanning, the Irish orator, gave two lectures on February 11th to large audiences. He spent a week in the county, speaking at various places. He is one of the best lecturers that has come to us through the W. C. T. U. Following this, beginning on the 15th, Dr. and Mrs. N. W. Tracy of Indianapolis, gave a series of illustrated lectures, continuing twelve night. Their work can not be over-estimated. Twenty-four new members were secured for the union. Mrs. Perkins of Fort Wayne, spent three days with us, talking to women, children and various clubs and lodges. Through the local option committee we were enabled to have a number of other speakers, among them being Mr. Fred Rohrer of Berne, Attorney Dahl of Goshen, Mr. Hicks of South Bend, Rev. Chimers of Noblesville and Attorney Jackman of Huntington. Much credit is due to our local ministers for their aggressive work in this campaign and also to Mr. W. W. Williamson, editor of the **Commercial Mail**. The campaign closed on March 5th with a wonderful victory. The election returns showed a dry majority of 1149, in a county having 13 saloons and one brewery. Each township in the county gave a dry majority, the wets gaining small majorities in only three precincts in the entire county. Even Columbia township with eleven saloons and one brewery, gave a dry majority of 23. The temperance women of Columbia City had daily prayer services during election week and on the morning of election at 6 o'clock a prayer service was held, also at three in the afternoon. Church bells were rung hourly beginning at 6 a. m. The county institute will be held at this place, April 29 and 30.

Williamsport—Mrs. Eva Lightly writes: We held a union temperance meeting on the evening of the 14th with addresses from the Presbyterian and the Methodist pastors. I think the service will prove quite a stimulus to our work and a collection taken at the close helped to swell our treasury. Our W. C. T. U. officers are: President, Mrs. E. B. Anderson; recording secretary, Mrs. F. Messersmith; corresponding secretary, S. C. Hansen; treasurer, Mrs. Florence Gregory. I fear our report was not sent in, as I am continually receiving letters addressed to me as president. With many prayers that the right will win.

A Frances Willard Memorial service was given at the Friends church on the afternoon of February 14th, although there was a steady downpour of rain a good audience greeted the W. C. T. U. The program was in the form of a drama, which represented Mr. and Mrs. Leslie at home with their four daughters and one son during the evening. Aunt Ida, Uncle Frank and Cousin Edith came to the Leslie home. Uncle Frank told of Miss Willard's beautiful character; Aunt Ida of her love for the good and true; Cousin Edith of her beautiful face. Morton recited the "Two Flags," at the request of his father; Miss Elizabeth read a portion of her mother's paper, "An Historic Home," Mr. Abbott, a gentleman friend of Miss Elizabeth sang a solo. Dr. Howe speaks of their acquaintance when young. With grandmother and little Lucile the family and their friends made a beautiful picture of home life. At the close a lady in the audience said it represented an ideal way in which a family and their friends might pass their evenings.—Etta Briles.

Muncie—The Normal City union observed Frances Willard memorial in a very fitting manner on February 19 at the M. E. church. Temperance hymns and anthems were sung by the choir. Mrs. Nuzum read a beautiful sketch of Miss Willard's girlhood. Mrs. Hill read a very interesting paper on "What Miss Willard Did for Woman." Equally as interesting a paper on "Mother, Home and Heaven," was read by Mrs. Morrow. A large and beautiful picture of Miss Willard was presented to the new Whittier school. An original poem was given by Mrs. Hathaway of Indianapolis which was much appreciated. An orchestra furnished the music which added greatly to the interest of the evening.—Mrs. Gay Calvert.

The Howard County Executive and Quarterly Superintendents' meeting was held at New London, February 11, at the residence of Mrs. Lucy Kenworthy. At the executive session the necessary business was transacted and the program planned for the spring institute. At the afternoon session the work of the Mercy, Flower mission, Fair and Open Air meetings, Evangelistic, Jail and Prison work and the department of work among colored people was presented. An interesting discussion followed the presentation of each subject. Five of the unions of the county were represented. The severity of the weather preventing others coming. Two dozen women separated at the close of the day's work, feeling that an interesting and profitable as well as an enjoyable day had been spent. We trust the cause we love and work for was forwarded by our meeting together.—E. M. Watson.

The Kent Woman's Christian Temperance Union organized July 15, 1908, with only ten members, has reached a total of 55; fifteen of which are honorary members. A few weeks ago our Union only numbered twenty-five, at which time we entered into a contest for new members, twelve on each side—it being impossible for one of our number to aid us. Mrs. A. W. Benham was leading contestant on one side, and Mrs. George M. Black on the other. The former gained the victory with a majority of eight. Whole number gained in contest, twenty-eight. Mrs. Black's side accepted their defeat cheerfully and delightfully entertained their opponents, with ice cream and cake, at the newly erected Red Men's Hall in Kent. Our Union is evidently growing in interest as well as members.—Amy S. Kistler.

Guilford—A Loyal Temperance Legion of 23 members was organized at West Fork M. P. Church, April 11th, by Mrs. Jennie Ward, county L. T. L. Secretary, with Mrs. Clara Chamberlin Superintendent, Miss Blanch Taylor President, Miss Mary Ewbank Vice President, Lester Taylor Cor. Sec., Miss Dora Miller Rec. Sec., Irving Ewbank Treasurer.

The Frances Willard Union of Connersville, Ind., gave a reception in honor of their new members at the home of Mrs. Mary Enos on Lee street. The twelve new members were the result of an interesting contest between the "Reds" and "Blues," the Reds having to furnish the program and the Blues the refreshments. Almost all the members were present with visitors from the neighboring Unions. The large rooms were beautifully decorated with growing plants and white ribbon, significant in its purity and simplicity. An excellent program was rendered. Mrs. Clara Enos in charge of the music. After the installation of the new members by our local president Mrs. Emma Enos, assisted by Vice President Mrs. Lizzie Creamer, our County President, Mrs. G. L. Huxtable spoke encouragingly concerning the outlook for our Union. A social hour during which the refreshments were served, was much enjoyed.—Mrs. Tillie Henry, Press Supt.

Blackford County Institute was held at the Christian Church in Hartford City on March 24 and 25. The Unions were greatly favored and much delighted to have as their leader the State President, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger. On the evening of the twenty-fourth a gold medal contest was held. Mrs. Myrtle Schull of Montpelier won the medal. On the following day many excellent talks were given on very important subjects by members of the local Unions of the county. Ministers of the city, the county president, Mrs. S. M. Stahl. In the evening a mass meeting was held and one of the best addresses ever delivered on temperance in Hartford City was given by Mrs. Vayhinger. The church was crowded. There were fully 800 persons present. A good musical program was rendered. Part of the music being furnished by a quartette from Taylor University of Upland, of which Mrs. Vayhinger's husband is president. Blackford county is just in the midst of a great campaign for county local option, election to be held on April 6th. The Institute was a great means of arousing enthusiasm and creating an interest in the campaign. It was considered the best institute Blackford county has ever heard.—Forest Andrews, Co. Press Supt. Later—The valiant temperance people were defeated in the election—Blackford voted "wet."

Elkhart County—"The best institute ever held in Elkhart County," was the declaration made both the old and new members of the Elkhart County W. C. T. U. who attended the meeting held in St. Mark's M. E. Church, Goshen, March 29 and 30, under the leadership of Mrs. Retta Jones. Mrs. Milton Wertz, the enthusiastic county President was at her post and conducted the entire program. Each Union was well represented and all came rejoicing over the victory won in Elkhart county. The delegates were warmly welcomed by Mrs. Mary Bechtel of Goshen. The predominating feature of the institute was the information given and received in department work. Each county superintendent presented her special department and this was followed by a drill and quiz which was very instructive. Mrs. B. C. Rawley, Director of the National L. T. L. Correspondence Training School, was present, and answered questions along all Loyal Temperance Legion lines. Mrs. Rawley was also the leader of a spirited parliamentary drill. Tuesday afternoon was marked with a fine address by Rev. Reuch and a most impressive consecration service led by Mrs. Harry Zeigler. The evening meetings were addressed by Mrs. Jones. Mrs. Wertz presented the county organization with a handsome banner. She also presented the institute with pennants all in different colors and beautifully made, bearing the names of the several departments of work. These pennants are to be awarded the local superintendent doing the best work in their department. This was, indeed, an institute that combined the inspiration of a mass meeting with the technical drill of a school.—Iva W. Parker.

The W. C. T. U. of Everton, Fayette County, is a "new one," but has gone to work in earnest and at the age of but one month, held a Silver Medal contest that was fully up to the standard of some that have been held elsewhere. Our President, Mrs. Clara Lake, won the medal, but the other contestants were close in the race. A quar-

tette of young ladies added much to the entertainment. The church was crowded to its utmost capacity. When women get to work there is something done; and when they all get to work there will be more done. God speed the W. C. T. U. Yours hopefully, Mrs. Annie Trusler Brumfiel, R. 5, Box 49, Connersville, Ind.

Bedford—Lawrence County Institute convened at First M. E. Church Monday morning, April 12. After short devotional services by Mrs. William Denniston, work of the Institute was taken up. Mrs. Ella Kroft of Bloomington leader. The members of Bedford Union had taken dinner to the church, and the noon hour was enjoyed by all present. The Oolitic Union, less than a year old, being organized by Bedford Union last July, had nine members present. Mitchell had four representatives. The program, mapped out by State Committee was followed and was made very interesting throughout. Special mention should be made of Dr. Heckman's paper, "The Latest Findings of Science as Regards the Effects of Alcohol On the Human System." The Institute voted thanks to the Doctor for this able paper. Mr. Fred Rowe gave an earnest talk on the Loyal Temperance Legion. On Monday evening there was a Silver Medal contest. The medal going to Miss Fairy Ross, daughter of our local treasurer, Mrs. G. B. Ross. There was also a debate by students of the Bedford Business University. The decision of the judges and the audience was in favor of the negative. The subject being, "Resolved, That Women Should Not Vote." There was music both vocal and instrumental by the best talent in the city. On Tuesday morning the county was organized by the election of the following officers: President, Mrs. Armilda F. Mathes, Bedford; Cor. Secy., Mrs. Dora Johnson, Bedford; Rec. Secy., Mrs. P. N. Blackburn, Oolitic; L. T. L. Secy., Miss May Kern, Oolitic; Y Secy., Mrs. Albert Hackney, Mitchell; Treasurer, Mrs. Chas. Coleman, Mitchell. An interesting program was rendered during the day. All were delighted with the singing by the members of the Oolitic Union. The Institute closed with an address by Mrs. Kroft, that made a good impression upon an audience that filled the large auditorium of the M. E. church. We also enjoyed very much the solo by Mrs. Kroft just before her address. An exercise by 49 young ladies, consisting of solos and choruses, in which each young lady represented a state, closed a very instructive and profitable institute. We had Mrs. Kroft for the first time in Institute and commend her most highly for her work among us. Our dear local president of Bedford Union is away with her daughter in an infirmary at present. A telegram was sent her from our newly organized County Union. Mrs. Hariman local vice president, deserves the thanks of the local as well as the county union for her untiring efforts in behalf of the work. Space forbids the mention of all. We appreciate the help from the ministers who so kindly helped make the program a success.

Bright Union—The dinner given by the W. C. T. U. in the Woodman Hall on Wednesday the seventeenth of March, was a social and business combination. The table spread with everything good reached nearly the entire length of the hall and seated about forty people. The table and hall were decorated in white, relieved by the color of Spring flowers. In afternoon a business meeting was called to order by the local president Mrs. Tillie Heiskell, and plans for Temperance Sunday were discussed. It was decided that a delegation go to Harrison on Sunday evening to hear a noted temperance lecture by the renowned lecturer Col. Geo. W. Bain. The hall was crowded to its capacity and each and every one were captivated by the splendid lecture which was especially directed to the young. The three churches of Bright celebrated Temperance Sunday by the pastors giving special temperance sermons. Bro. Hester, pastor of the Methodist church, gave an illustrated sermon which was interesting as well as instructive.—Sarah Bonham, Press Supt.

Fowlerton Union held a Sabbath Observance meeting at the United Brethren church on April 4. Recitations by Oren Kirkwood, Mabel Niebarger, Adda Barkdull, Clarence Niebarger. Song by the children. Solo by Mamie Crawford. Rev. Rector and Rev. Stanton gave excellent talks on Sabbath Observance. Meeting was conducted by Mrs. Voda Malone, Supt. of the Dept. of Sabbath Observance. Three new members were added to our Union. A crowded house and the best of attention was the results of our efforts.—Mrs. Lena Dickerson, Press Supt.

Laporte Union held an all-day institute on March 24th, serving dinner and supper in their rooms. Retta Jones was the leader. There was also an evening session. But the weather being very unpleasant the attendance was small at each session. This Union also served a chicken supper on April 10th.—Mrs. Seth Pease, Press Supt.

The Summitville W. C. T. U. is not asleep nor "dead in sin" as we used to be when we had our 8 saloons. We have over 40 members in our Union. We gave an Option Program at the M. E. Church March 26th, and secured several new members. Representative Wm. H. Coahran, who so nobly stood by us, by voting to retain the County Option Law on the statute books, at our

last legislature, was present and made a splendid address. I notice in the papers that some of the "citizens" in Anderson are trying to have the county option election put off until 1910. They want a "little more sleep, a little more slumber," a little more time to make drunkards out of their boys. They are almost crying for fear some of their rooms will be vacant if the county goes "dry," or they can not get any more factories to come if they put out the saloons. I would like to ask them what they have to offer the women and children of these factory men, will they reproduce the Blake tragedy in all its horrors for them? When a son made crazy by drink beat out the brains of his mother with a hammer, in order to obtain a few dollars to buy more whisky with. Better have a few vacant rooms than vacant chairs. If I were one of the citizens of Anderson I would not favor inviting another factory nor hold up my head until the last saloon was wiped out of the city. Never, never, never.—Mrs. Augusta McClerney, Press Supt.

Marshall County—A new Union organized in Marshall county April 4, with the following officers: President, Mrs. Alma Overmeyer; Vice Pres., Miss Lois E. Shaw; Cor. Secy., Miss Effie Low; Rec. Secy., Miss Nona Cox; Treasurer, Gladis Hittle. This organization was effected at the Santa Anno school house southwest of Argos.

On March 25 and 26 the Kendallville W. C. T. U. held a two days' Institute in the M. E. church, under the direction of Mrs. Walmer. A good program had been prepared. On Thursday evening Mrs. Walmer addressed an interested audience. On Friday evening a Medal Contest was held. Mrs. F. B. Perkins was also in attendance. There is no county union in Noble county at present, but we hope before another institute to have one.—Mrs. Luella Mayber, Cor. Secy.

The Marion County W. C. T. U. held a Normal Institute April 7 and 8 in the Howard Place M. E. church, Indianapolis. Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, State President, leader. The Wednesday a. m. session was opened with devotions conducted by Mrs. Mary Manifold. The county President, Mrs. Mary Kinzer, gave "Plans for Pushing the Work." The one thing emphasized by Mrs. Kinzer was the necessity at this time for work with the children and young people. Their help will be needed in this county and Indianapolis especially when the local option fight is on. Mrs. Kinzer believes small unions do more effective work than larger ones in proportion to the membership, as there is a greater individual responsibility in the former case. The cause of the Union Signal Crusader Monthly, etc., was convincingly presented by Miss Bessie Eckman. "How far reaching is the Membership Dollar, and What influence has the wearing of the white ribbon on the public," called forth testimonies of a personal nature, on the good influence of the white ribbon when worn by a consistent W. C. T. U. woman. Rev. (?) Bell gave an earnest talk on "Co-operation with Missionary Societies. How Rum Opium and the Cigarette Impede Missionary Effort." An instructive "Parliamentary Drill" was given by Mrs. Martha L. Gipe, State Supt. of this Dept. Women's part in the County Local Option Work was considered. Much interest was manifested in this and some ladies present who did not take part in the Crusade of '73 were anxious for this contest to take place in Marion county. At the evening session Mrs. Vayhinger delivered an excellent address and special music was rendered by the silver-toned L. T. L. quartet. The following topics show the wide scope of subjects considered at the second day's session: "The White Slave Trade of Today," Mrs. M. L. Bressette; "Medical Temperance," Mrs. Bray; "Importance of Scientific Temperance Instruction in the Public Schools," Mrs. W. A. Fox; "The Two-fold Mission of the W. C. T. U., (a) Training for Efficiency in Methods of Work; (b) Reaching and Arousing the Masses, Mrs. Vayhinger, Organized Christian Work for Temperance, (a) The Work of the Church Temperance Committee; (b) What Can Be Done for Temperance by Young Peoples Societies, Rev. Harry G. Hill. "The Importance of the Sunday School," Quarterly Temperance Lesson," Mrs. Frances Boyer. "The Power of the Pulpit Used Aggressively Against the Liquor Traffic, What It Means," Rev. Willmore. "The Christian Press Against the Breweries and the Distillers," Mr. Edward Clark. "The Advantages of Municipal Suffrage for Women," Mrs. Luella McWhirter. "History and Results of Local Option, the Principle Involved; Why Constitutional Prohibition?" Mr. Sumner Haynes. Unusual interest was manifested in the work of the Institute, and the Marion County W. C. T. U. should be greatly revived.—Ella D. Oakes, Press Supt.

Boswell Union served dinner on local option election day and cleared more than \$60.00. Twenty of our members attended the Spring Institute at Otterbein and reported a good meeting. Mrs. Elsie Fournier, Supt. of Sabbath Observance, conducted an interesting meeting April 7. Serious and prayerful thought should be given this important subject, as we are surely drifting away from the Sabbath of our fathers. We have a column each week in our local paper devoted to the advancement of the W. C. T. U. work. Yours for State-wide prohibition.—Mrs. Luella C. VanHorn, Press Supt.

Vincennes.—Greetings from the home of "Alice of Old Vincennes." We want the dear white ribboners of Indiana to know that the W. C. T. U. of "Old Vincennes" is very much alive. We are having a steady growth of membership, having almost doubled our number since the State convention. One thing which has helped to arouse interest in this work, is the oratorical contests tests, and we will continue for we want to win the Diamond Medal next October at the State convention. Our institute was held with Mrs. Stanley as leader. As usual she did a great work. Owing to the conditions of our city and county, I very much doubt if anywhere she has been, there was as many good results from her work as here. I believe if we could have her with us for a few weeks, not only would our membership be greatly benefited, but historic Vincennes would throw off her scarlet robes of sin and a "new Alice" clothed in the snowy white robe of truth and purity would send her greetings. Lovingly—Mrs. S. M. Fields.

Morgan County W. C. T. U. held a very profitable Institute at Martinsville, Ind., March 30 and 31st in the M. — church, under the leadership of Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, who was filled with enthusiasm and inspiration. Mrs. Bettie Adams of Morgantown, County President, presided, and read a paper on plans for pushing the work. Papers were read by Mesdames Cooper, Coonfield, Wemer, Thompson, Stahling, on the topic, "The March of the Temperance Reform Across the Continent." Mrs. Dora Collett, Co. Supt. of S. T. I., read a splendid paper on the latest findings of Science as regards the Effects of Alcohol on Human System." Mrs. Florence Conatsy's paper on "Advantages of Municipal Suffrage for Women," was excellent. On Tuesday night a silver medal contest was held with a class of 8 young ladies participating. Miss Ada Yount won the medal. Her subject being "The Tables Turned." On Wednesday the "All Day" meeting was especially enjoyed as arrangements were made to serve dinner during the sessions in the church, which afforded opportunity to get better acquainted. The presence of a young woman to care for the children in primary room gave the mothers the freedom to enjoy the program. Eight little girls and one little boy, all under five, were dedicated to the cause, and eight new members were added.

Arba.—Ours is just a little country place, but we have 35 paid members, 27 active and 8 honorary. Ten others have given their names and we expect them to pay dues in June quarter. We have had five public meetings. We had Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Mrs. Hannah Stanley. At one meeting our honorary members had charge. We expect to have Mrs. Fulton with us soon. We use the State program.—(Miss) Dollie Jordan.

The Orinoco W. C. T. U. of Columbus, Ind., observed Union Signal day on March the 2nd. The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Emma Anthony. Members responded to roll call by selections from the writings of Mrs. Stevens and the program given in Union Signal was carried out. Copies of the Signal were distributed and an effort made to secure new subscribers. The Union also took part in the recent local option fight. A meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Elzea Markland where plans were made and committees appointed along the lines we thought best to work. Meetings were appointed for the children for each Sunday afternoon until the election. The children were drilled in temperance songs and given temperance lessons and instructed to urge fathers and brothers to vote "dry." Knowing we could not reach the mass of the children in this way three committees of two ladies each were appointed to visit three of the public schools and requested the teachers to instruct the children along this line. The week previous to the election was appointed as a Week of Prayer. On election day a sun-rise prayer meeting was held and the week closed with a great prayer meeting on election night. The singing and praying was stopped long enough to hear the returns as they came in over the telephone. The ringing of the telephone bell and the report that one township after another had gone "dry" was cause for increased rejoicing. We gave God all the glory and unitedly the people praised Him. The children enjoyed their part on election day as a wagon load was taken to each voting place by their pastor, Rev. Harlow and Mr. Ves Linson. No one could doubt but they made a wonderful impression and stout-hearted men were seen weeping as the children sang their temperance songs, gave their yells and urged them to vote Yes. Church bells were rung every hour during the day. It was an experience never to be forgotten. Our first experience helping in an election, we could do anything but vote, but the last saloon will close its door in old Bartholomew Sept. 6.—Mrs. Ora Harlow.

Howard County Spring Institute and convention was held at Kokomo, Harrison Street Christian Church, April 15, 16, '09. The convention was presided over by the county president Miss Amanda Turner, and the institute by Mrs. Ida Mix. The excellent program was carried out to the satisfaction of all present. It was encouraging to see all present who were on the institute program ready to serve in whatever way possible. The absence of Rev. C. W. Shoemaker was regretted,—on account of ill health he has retired from the ministry and moved to Wells county. As

a token of appreciation for his past interest and service, a letter of sympathy, with flowers, was sent to him with the expressed hope for his speedy recovery. The subject, "What Can Be Done for Temperance by Young People's Societies," was ably handled by Mr. Walter Clemens. "The Importance of the Sunday School Quarterly Lesson" was presented by Mr. Jasper Davenport, Supt. of the Markland Avenue M. E. Sunday School. Mr. Davenport urged the need of there being special fitness for the teaching of these temperance lessons. "The Power of the Pulpit Used Aggressively Against the Liquor Traffic; What It Means," was handled in a masterly way by Rev. Geo. Moore of Union Street Friend Church. He emphasized the importance of a minister practicing what he preaches. He illustrated the point by relating how he and another minister had, at one time gone out in the country to visit a young man who had withdrawn his name from a remonstrance against a saloon and since the young man was a member of the other brother's church it was agreed that he should do the talking and at the proper time Bro. Moore was to say amen. The young man listened patiently to Brother Blank's denunciation of the saloon and when he was through remarked that "If he believed as Brother Blank did he would vote the Prohibition ticket," and here brother Moore said amen! Bro. Blank's power was gone because he failed to practice his own preaching. The Rev. C. R. Choate, of the Courtland Avenue Friends church read a most interesting and instructive paper on "A Temperance Revival Conducted by the Churches; How begin; What methods use." Hon. A. B. Kirkpatrick read for his subject "The Need of a National Commission to investigate the economic and moral effect of the Liquor Traffic." Mr. K. made it very plain to us that such a commission under the present administration would be a detriment rather than a help to the cause of temperance. A medal contest was held at the church on the evening of the first day and all of the contestants acquitted themselves with great credit. Miss Anna Boyer of Greentown was awarded the prize. If the young men of Howard county could be induced to engage in these medal contests, the temperance and prohibition cause would receive a great impetus and Sabbath desecration would wane and there would be no need to legalize Sunday baseball. Everybody was well pleased and pronounced this the best institute ever held in Howard county.—Mrs. Maggie F. Robbins, Press Reporter.

Monroe County Rally.—A very complete and interesting two-days session of the W. C. T. U. of this county was held in Stinesville April 1 and 2. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, the leader, won her way into the hearts of everyone and made by her forceful, logical arguments many warm friends for the temperance work in this county. There were present members from the Gosport, Summitville and Bloomington Unions as well as interested women from Ellettsville where a union will soon be organized. The State Institute program was used: Leader, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley; Welcome address, Mrs. Lou Holtzman; "Cigarettes," Mrs. Deckard; Recitation, Bonnie Easton; Memorial Service, Mrs. O. W. Siebenthal; Recitation, Maude Hoadley. At the close of the first day's program there was held a "meeting for the school children." The second days program was as follows: "Tricks of the Trade," Mrs. Maude Gratzler; "Effects of Alcohol on the Human System," Dr. W. Rice Holtzman; "Reaching and Arousing the Masses," Mrs. Stanley; Recitation, Cecil Bodkins; Sunday School Quarterly Temperance Lesson, Mrs. Johnson; "Pulpit Against the Liquor Traffic," Rev. Layton; "How the Liquor License Helps the Farmer and Business Man," Mrs. L. M. Beck; "Abraham Lincoln As a Prohibitionist," Mrs. H. T. Kitson; Parliamentary Drill, Mrs. Stanley; Recitation, Mrs. Pickles; "Why I Am a White Ribboner," Mrs. Belle Pugh; "Resolved, That the Election Franchise Shall be Extended to Women," affirmative, Mesdames Judah, Litz, Beck; negative, Mesdames Stanley, Siebenthal, Kitson; Recitation, Mrs. Kathryn Hoadley. An able lecture was delivered on the first evening by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley. A Gold Medal contest in charge of Mrs. Susan Russell, Supt., was held on the second evening.

Fountain City W. C. T. U. held a Sunday school temperance rally on temperance Sunday, which all the schools of the township, six in number, took part. The exercises consisted of Bible reading, prayer, talks, recitations, and songs. The prohibition map was displayed and the song "We'll make the Map all White," was sung by a quartette. The large audience present was enthusiastic in commendation of the rally which was considered a great success. Other meetings of a similar nature will be held in different places by this union during the summer.

Liberty Center.—Mrs. Maria Prible, member of Liberty Center W. C. T. U. was called to her heavenly home April 15, 1909, aged 71 years and 17 days. She had been a devoted Christian from her early girlhood days. Although an invalid for many years and unable to attend the meetings of the Union, she was interested in the great cause and gave freely to its support. Her life is worthy of emulation and although gone to rest her work will follow her. The Union gave in loving memory a spray of white carnations.—Mrs. Anna Lowdermilk.

Frances Willard, W. C. T. U. met April 13, at N. Illinois street. Mrs. Dougherty gave a report of the Institute. Arrangements were made to observe Flower Mission day at the Methodist Hospital and Old Ladies' Home. The Press reporter read a protest against saloons that the "News" had published for her. Mrs. Scott spoke of her continued efforts for years in behalf of "Work-house Criminals." A beautiful letter entitled "What Produces Drunkards?" was read by one of the ladies. It was written by the mother of Mrs. L. W. Gray, the president, who died in 1893. It was virtually a voice from the dead. Mrs. Hathaway recited a beautiful original poem. Mrs. McKain, from Brideport Union, was present and spoke encouragingly on Sunday School work. A temperance meeting was arranged for to be held within the month, at Edwin Ray church on Woodlawn avenue. The word "Truth" was chosen to figure in our texts, at the next meeting.—Mrs. McDermid, Press Reporter.

On April first, the St. Joseph Co. W. C. T. U. held a morning and afternoon conference in the Trinity Presbyterian Church of South Bend. The attendance was not very large, but the women seemed quite enthusiastic over the subjects presented. In the afternoon Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, (our State Supt. of Sabbath Observance), gave a most helpful and interesting talk on Sabbath Observance. With the aid of her charts, she impressed upon us the importance of obeying God's law in regard to the Sabbath Day. At the close of the service the Pastor of the church asked her to repeat her talk the following Sunday night. This she did to a good sized audience. Quoting from one of our daily papers we read: "Mrs. Holler is a very pleasing and forceful speaker and delightfully entertained and instructed her hearers as she analyzed her subject and presented not only the benefits, but showed the necessity for obeying the Divine, the physical and the civil law relative to the holy Sabbath Day.—Ina Burton.

Tippecanoe County.—The opening day of the institute at the Moore Memorial Chapel was very successful. A conference of officers was held after which County President, Mrs. H. H. Buge made an address. State organizer, Mrs. Rose Pearce, of Cayuga, was present and took part in the program. A discussion of the work of the L. T. L. was also held. A Silver Medal contest was held in the evening at the same place. There was a large attendance and much interest. Mrs. Pearce spoke briefly on the value of medal work. The conservatory of music orchestra gave several selections and there were songs by the L. T. L. and an instrumental number by Ora Stoter. The contestants were Fay Prough, Gladys and Charles Mitchell, Kenneth Hall and Edna Beemer. The judges were Mrs. Rose Pearce, Ora Stoter and Mr. Hilt, and the medal was awarded Fay Prough. The second day's session was held at the Soldiers' Home. There were many different phases of the temperance and reform movement presented some very interesting talks and papers were given followed by interesting discussions. Especially deserving of mention was the able talk given by Dr. Kern on "The Latest Finding of Science As Regards the Effects of Alcohol On the Human System." Able talks were given by Dr. Bassett and Rev. Rippetoe, followed by a stirring appeal on Rescue Work in our own city, by Mrs. Roach Matron of the Martha Home. Mrs. Rose Pearce, State Organizer and Institute leader, gave an able temperance address.—Mrs. Lillian Hall, County Press Supt.

Marion County.—One of the delightful features of the Marion county Institute was a duet rendered by Rev. Chas. Fillmore and Mrs. Stout of Indianapolis, "Down With the Licensed Saloon." This is new and was written by Brother Fillmore and is of especial worth in the present local option campaigns. It is touching and will prove effective. It can be had of Rev. Chas. Fillmore, Indianapolis, Ind., for 25 cents. Send for it.—Culla J. Vayhinger.

Our Promoted Comrades

Oolitic, Indiana.—Our beloved treasurer and co-worker, Mrs. Clara Farmer has been called to higher service. On Monday morning, March 8, the weary spirit found a joyful release from the almost intolerable anguish she had suffered for several months. But it was withal a time of triumph for Christian faith, and her last message to her family was one of hope and encouragement. The Oolitic Union was organized last July Mrs. Farmer being a charter member and the first treasurer. It was only for a short time, however, that her health permitted her to perform the duties of her office; but during her long illness she was ever with us in prayers and sentiment, her interest in the great cause never lagging. On Wednesday afternoon her comrades of the W. C. T. U. gathered at the stricken home, tied the white ribbon around the casket and commended to God's care and keeping, the sweet spirit they had known and loved so well, and all with bowed heads and aching hearts followed the remains to their last resting place.

Sardinia.—Mrs. Kitty Waddell died March 24, 1909, at Burlington Ind. She was a member of the Sardinia W. C. T. U.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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(Written for the W. C. T. U. by Ella F. Brown.)

Ho! my sisters, see the signal
Waving to the sky!
Prohibition's fast approaching,
Victory is nigh!

CHORUS.

Hold the fort for prohibition!
Is the signal cry.
Shout aloud, O praise Jehovah!
Arkansas's going dry.

See the hosts of sin advancing,
Liquor leading on;
Sons and brothers round us falling,
Manhood almost gone.

See the pure white ribbon waving,
Hear the bugle blow;
Total Abstinence shall triumph
Over this deadly foe.

Fierce and long has been the conflict,
But the end is near;
In the name of God we conquer,
Cheer, my sisters, cheer!

—Exchange.

NATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE AT WASHINGTON ARRAIGNS DRINK.

"The Future of the Alcoholic Problem" cannot fail to interest every student of the Great Reform.

Dr. Crothers affirmed that at present there are positive indications of the early solution of this problem by means and measures that cannot be mistaken. He continues:

"Experience and laboratory research have shown alcohol to be a narcotic and its effects on the system produces a distinct disease both curable and preventable.

"This question is one of public health and sanitary science. The saloon for the promotion of the sale of spirits is a center for the promulgation of this disease, and is doomed to extinction from a larger and more exact knowledge.

"Science shows that alcohol as an anesthetic has a value in medicine, but its real power is that of a fuel, light and force producer.

"That cheap alcohols can be made from a great variety of sources that will be active competitors to electricity, gasoline and steam.

"What is needed is the invention of boilers, lamps and means to utilize and make practical this great power of alcohol.

"Every distillery and brewery in the country will be required for the manufacture and distribution of cheap alcohols when the inventor supplies the missing links.

"Alcohol will become one of the great rivals of electricity to do the world's work, because it can be made from the waste and by-products in every section of the country.

"Beer, spirits and all other forms of alcohol as beverages will disappear when the inventor shows us how to harness and utilize this new latent power of civilization.

"The future of the alcoholic problem will be followed by a great revolution in commercial industry and will be a question of sanitary science and inventor's skill."

EXTRACTS FROM PRES DICKIES' ARGUMENT.

The liquor business from the commencement of the process of manufacture, through all the subsequent details, down to the point of final consumption, is entirely destitute of wealth producing power. The farmer brings wealth out of the soil; the miner brings wealth out of the bowels of the earth; the artisan takes the raw material and by the application of labor, adds to its value and to its utility. The liquor traffic produces a valueless product. I believe the strongest defender of the liquor traffic here tonight will freely admit that, viewed as property, intoxicating drinks occupy a peculiar class to themselves.

Destroy at this moment all the food products of America, and does anybody venture to tell me that such a destruction would not be a great national calamity? Wipe out at this hour, while I stand before you, all the fabrics in America; destroy all the furniture in America, and every thoughtful man would say that such destruction would be a great widespread calamity.

But even here in Milwaukee, I dare stand before you and say that if every drop of intoxicating liquor now on the whole earth were absolutely poured out on the ground this moment, there would be no less value in the world after its destruction than before.

To be sure the men who had their capital tied up in it would be the losers, but the drinking

men would keep their money in their pockets and be the gainers.

Some New Direct Testimony On Crime and Drink.

From letters and telegrams read by Pres. Dickie:

Mr. Henry Towne, warden of the Wisconsin State prison, over his own signature, says: "About fifty per cent owe their downfall to liquor."

O. L. Kiplinger, the chaplain of the Indiana penitentiary, says: "Eighty-three per cent of the convicts in this institution owe their downfall wholly, or in part to liquor." Concerning parole he also says: "Of those returned for violation of parole, the State Agent thinks fully 75 per cent do so through liquor."

The chaplain of the penitentiary at Auburn, New York, says: "Eighty-four per cent of the inmates of this prison have used beer or liquor intemperately. I believe seven-tenths more or less under the influence of liquor at the time the crime was committed. We have a parole system and of those returned 80 per cent are returned because they violated their promise to abstain from intoxicating liquors."

David Judson Starr, chaplain of the Columbus penitentiary in Ohio: "Eighty per cent owe their incarceration to the use of liquor."

A. J. Steelman, chaplain of the penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois, says that the warden tells him, I read: "That 90 per cent of the men coming to this penitentiary come directly or indirectly from the influence of the saloon. I wish to add to that my own opinion that 90 per cent more of crime never receives any punishment on account of the protection afforded by the saloons."

VIOLATIONS OF PROHIBITION LAW.

(Excerpt from Pres. Dickies' argument.)
Another reason I present why Prohibition is right is that the most efficient means of restraint. No man advocating Prohibition believes that it will stamp out the evil altogether. I supposed you prohibit murder in Milwaukee and Wisconsin, yet one of your citizens told me that 125 people were murdered in the state of Wisconsin last year. You prohibit theft, but your penitentiaries are crowded with thieves. You may prohibit many offenses, but yet right here in the State of Wisconsin you nice people pick each others' pockets and crack each other's safes and steal each other's horses and run away with each other's wives, and do a great many things that nice people never ought to think of doing, but nobody goes up to Madison to say what all these laws are failures because they are sometimes violated. Nobody says because Wisconsin has altogether too many thieves, therefore laws prohibiting thieving should not be passed. They do not say that thieving should be judiciously taxed, or licensed, or rather laws should be passed regulating thieving, so that it is conducted decently and in order. No stealing on Sunday and no thieving after twelve o'clock at night or before seven o'clock in the morning; and no stealing on election days. Why, that is quite absurd, so I simply am stating in my urgent haste that Prohibition, while it does not wipe it all out, is the most efficient means of restraint known in any part of our country.

S. S. McClure, head of the Publishing Co., of New York, is quoted as saying in an interview in Los Angeles:

"The movement against liquor is not temporary. It is gathering force and will continue. I find in traveling over the country that the liquor question is one of the two conspicuous issues now in existence. The other is municipal government."

First World's Prohibition Conference to Storm London on "Prohibition Sunday," July 25th, With Rallies in London Parks, Churches and Public Halls.

In a call signed by forty-eight Prohibition leaders, representing thirteen nations, in which the battle against the liquor curse is now being aggressively waged, full particulars are given of the coming World's Prohibition Conference, to be held at London, July 18th to 24th inclusive.

The Conference, which it is expected will establish a permanent World's Prohibition Confederation, will be held in the Imperial Institute, South Kensington, London, during the week of July 18th to 24th, 1909, which coincides with the meetings of the Twelfth International Congress on Alcoholism, when it is expected that repre-

sentative Temperance leaders from almost all parts of the world will assemble at the Imperial Institute and other convenient public buildings.

PROHIBITION IN INDIANA.

Fifty-four counties have voted at the saloons at elections and thirteen counties are "dry" by remonstrance. Six counties have voted "wet." When the thirteen counties which have elections pending have voted only eleven "wet" counties will remain for a battleground.

These eleven counties are Marion, St. Joseph, Lake, Vigo, Knox, Vanderburg, Allen, Dearborn, Warrick and Dubois—all brewery and saloon strongholds, and containing the largest cities in the state. In the eight "dry" counties—Brown, DeKalb, Johnson, Scott, Steuben, Union, Warren, and Wells, which have not yet ordered elections—the sentiment is still strongly "dry."

The following table shows the result of the elections held in the state, with the number of saloons affected:

"Wet" Counties.		
Counties and Dates of Elections.	Majority.	Saloons Affected.
Wayne, February 5	751	52
Cass, April 6	708	52
Blackford, April 6	134	13
Tippecanoe, April 30	793	102
Spencer, May 4	43	27
Posey, May 7	1,451	52
Laporte, May 27	4,300	..
Floyd, May 27	1,900	..

"Dry" Counties.		
Counties and Dates of Elections.	Majority.	Saloons Voted out.
Wabash, December 29	839	22
Lawrence, December 29	1,505	21
Pike, December 31	884	1
Hamilton, January 26	2,461	18
Putnam, January 26	1,552	8
Decatur, January 26	1,708	29
Tipton, January 26	1,581	4
Noble, January 29	692	25
Randolph, January 29	2,470	2
Parke, February 2	2,060	14
Huntington, February 2	1,660	19
Switzerland, February 2	900	3
Clinton, February 9	2,084	39
Daviess, February 23	1,357	39
Grant, February 23	2,183	57
Howard, February 23	1,433	27
Newton, February 23	432	2
Adams, February 23	1,044	18
Morgan, February 24	1,055	..
Hendricks, February 25	777	3
Fountain, February 25	2,005	32
Fayette, February 25	851	18
Carroll, February 26	1,942	7
Gibson, February 26	1,074	9
Rush, February 27	2,016	16
Sullivan, March 3	1,841	..
Jay, March 3	2,809	21
Marshall, March 4	1,164	13
Whitley, March 5	1,150	13
Hancock, March 5	1,302	12
Shelby, March 6	745	17
Miami, March 16	1,066	43
Benton, March 23	882	21
Montgomery, March 23	2,803	5
Greene, March 23	2,647	29
Ohio, March 24	33	4
Elkhart, March 25	879	43
Orange, March 25	745	..
Bartholomew, March 30	783	19
Jennings, March 30	520	13
Vermillion, March 30	285	43
Henry, March 31	2,588	..
Jackson, April 26	362	25
White, April 26	1,435	2
Delaware, April 27	2,956	82
Kosciusko, April 29	2,333	..
Starke, April 29	84	17
Washington, April 30	1,296	..
Jefferson, April 30	106	36
Martin, April 30	399	8
Jasper, May 1	595	..
Clay, May 4	2,203	..
Pulaski, May 4	400	..
Fulton, May 6	1,597	..
Madison, May 26	1,258	107
Crawford, May 26	819	..
Owen, May 26	1,000	..
Madison County, May 26	1,193	107
Harrison, May 27	169	4
Morgan, Sullivan, Orange, Henry, Kosciusko, Washington and Jasper counties were "dry" when elections were held; therefore they had no saloons.		

Counties "Dry" By Remonstrance.

Boone, Brown, Crawford, DeKalb, Johnson, Lagrange, Monroe, Owen, Scott, Steuben, Union, Warren, Wells.

HOLDING A CROWD.

In the course of a spirited Temperance address by Hon. C. W. Trickett, assistant State attorney of Kansas, he described a no-license campaign, and spoke as follows regarding the assistance given by Christian Endeavorers:

"The Christian Endeavorers then took up the fight. One night we had five meetings. Some girls come in and asked for a meeting in a church out on the edge of the town. We said we already had five meetings, and it would be midnight before we could get there. They said, 'We will be there.'"

"I told them we would come, and we did; but it was 1 o'clock in the morning when Dr. Gray and myself turned our steps toward that little church. We expected to find it dark, but we found it packed with people when we got there."

"I met one of the girls at the door and asked, 'How in the world have you held this crowd until this hour?' And she smiled and said, 'Why we just went down in the basement and made coffee and sandwiches, and we have been feeding them all night.'"

"In my judgment, the Christian Endeavorers of the United States can drive out every saloon from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from the Lakes to the Gulf."—Christian Endeavor World.

Prohibition for Iceland.—Good Templar work of twenty-five years secured for Iceland a Prohibitory law. Breweries and distilleries have been prohibited since 1900.

It was in compliance with the request of the Grand Lodge of Good Templars that a prohibition bill was introduced into the Althing. The measure was submitted to a vote of the people and Prohibition won by a decisive majority.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Dear Sisters:

I have just received a number of letters telling of membership contests, and new members who have been gained through our Indiana Crusade Pledge. These things are a source of great joy to me, for while we are working in our various counties to abolish the saloon, we realize that this is not the ultimate work of the W. C. T. U. After all of the saloons are out of Indiana, there is still a broad field of labor for the organization. I have been almost constantly in the field either in institute or local option campaign work this Spring. I have done what I could in Grant, Miami, Blackford, Delaware, Jefferson and Pulaski counties to help our women in the battle. All have worked valiantly and I have been proud of our great organization. There is much yet to be done. I feel very anxious that our June quarter's report will show us with a gain of at least 1,500 in our membership. I trust each county president will urge immediate action along these lines.

I wish I might say something to make you feel the necessity of extending the organization work by multiplying the unions in the counties. The fine organization of Grant county was felt in the campaign. Twenty-eight unions, with members even in the remotest country districts, helped to bring victory out of expected defeat, by carrying literature and planning meetings in these remote districts.

I trust you will have a county executive meeting at once and that every local president will be there and help to lay plans for this organization work. I fear often the local presidents do not feel the responsibility for the county work which they should feel. When a county executive meeting is called, it is the duty of every local president to be present, and not leave the work of the county to the county president and a few others who may come. Expecting a great ingathering of members for the third quarter, I am yours,

CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

GREAT DAY FOR SWAYZEE.

Tuesday, April 13th was a red letter day in the history of the Swayzee W. C. T. U. About two months before the Union had decided to form a contest for new members. Two captains, Mrs. Anna Fry and Mrs. Anna M. Curless were chosen to lead the work. Each had eight helpers. On Tuesday afternoon the time for the regular April meeting the contest closed, with fifty-five (55) new members to be added to the roll. The number showed Mrs. Curless 30 and Mrs. Fry 25. According to previous arrangements the side that won will give a program and the side that lost will serve refreshments at a meeting held later in honor of the new members. The meeting was held in the basement of the M. E. church where a room has been tastefully furnished for such occasions. With but a few exceptions, every old member was present and responded at roll call. The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Margaret Newkirk, who introduced our County President, Mrs. Julie Shugart, Mrs. Shugart conducted devotional exercise and occupied the main place on the program. Her remarks were very impressive and were warmly received by every one present. She was more than gratified at the magnificent report on new members. This was one of the record breaking reports of the county (Grant), and perhaps of the State as well. The Union now has 81 members. Two small children in their mothers' arms were dedicated to the Temperance cause. Mrs. Shugart tied the snowy white ribbon around their arms and breathed a beautiful prayer for their safety from the liquor fiend. Little Ruth Kemmer also stepped to the front and received the union's blessing. The colors, yellow and white, were displayed and an excellent likeness of

Frances E. Willard adorned the wall. This picture was later presented to the Public Schools of Swayzee at a reception tendered the teachers by the local W. C. T. U. at the home of Mrs. Anna Ammon on Friday evening, April 16. Ninety guests were present. The Swayzee W. C. T. U. which was organized July 19, 1901, soon begins a new year under the most flattering prospects of its entire history. The present officers are:

President—Mrs. Margaret Newkirk.

Vice President—Mrs. Jennie Hawkins.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Anna Ammon.

Cor. Secretary—Mrs. Anna M. Curless.

Treasurer—Mrs. Malinda Shively.



MRS. J. R. MATHES,

Lawrence Co. W. C. T. U. President. Chairman of Entertainment Committee during State Convention at Bedford, Ind.

WHAT TO DO ON ANTI-CIGARETTE DAY—JUNE 27.

Announce the day through our department circular entitled, Anti-Cigarette Sunday. Send it to pastors, superintendents, teachers, an especially to the superintendents of Temperance Department in the Sunday schools. Price 25 cents per 100, postpaid.

Furnish the Sunday schools with the Quarterly Budget (price 15 cents, 50 cents a year)—which contains samples of everything needed to make the Sunday school hour attractive and helpful.

Meet with the official board of the Sunday school and enlist them in the work of appropriately observing Anti-Cigarette Day in accordance with the recommendation of the International Sunday School Association. Invite the co-operation of pastors who might respond to the request for a temperance sermon with special reference to unholy habits. Let the public know that June 27 is Anti-Cigarette Sunday by well written articles in the daily papers.

Arrange a Prize Essay Contest in the Sunday schools. Topic: "Why sign the pledge against tobacco." This work may be done within a department or the contest may be between several Sunday schools. The prize essays will form an interesting part of the program of the Sunday school hour or at a mass meeting.

Inaugurate the "Lecture Bureau" plan so successfully carried out by our state superintendent of Nebraska, Mrs. Hartley. Briefly stated the plan is as follows: Enroll the names of all gifted people who would agree to respond to a call for a short address before a Sunday school. The list might include physicians, scientists, specialists and regular lecturers. It should also include elocutionists, chalk talkers, young people who have won medals for oratory or prizes for essays and children who are trained for this special work. Offer your assistance to Sunday schools and they will be glad of the speakers whom you might send. By changing around the same speakers can do service for several temperance Sundays.

Hold an Anti-Cigarette Sunday school rally uniting the schools for a Sunday p. m. meeting. The program may be a contest program or rather a program contest, each school reproducing the program given in the morning Sunday school hour and a prize awarded by competent judges to the school giving the best program. It may be desirable to use our new Anti-cigarette Program, "Old Glory in Peril," which has a touch of Patriotism and includes an exercise with flags which is sufficiently spectacular to please all old and young. It is simple, however, and will require but little drilling. Price 2 cents, 50 cents per 100.

Urge pledge signing and the use of the anti-cigarette pledge with the regular temperance pledge. Put up our placards in school and classrooms. They read as follows: "Every member a Total Abstainer and a Temperance Worker." Today is the time to Decide against Strong Drink, Declare your Principles and Do something for Temperance. Price 10 cents each, \$1 per dozen.

Keep the prohibition map before the Sunday school and our small ones in the hands of teach-

ers and drill the school on the names of prohibition states. Let them whiten the black part wherever prohibition has won since last Temperance Sunday. On June 27, the states can be named which have prohibitory anti-cigarette laws. A flag raising may be planned in the Sunday school. Each class that is totally pledged may be given a flag and at suitable time and with appropriate introductory remarks the flags can be lifted. They will form bannerettes for each Temperance Sunday and will greatly enhance the work of the hour.

Distribute literature. We have leaflets suited to all ages and at very little cost every child and every member of the Sunday schools can have some precious seed thoughts for himself and for others.

Our Anti-Cigarette leaflets are especially attractive envelope leaflets 15 cents per 100, \$1.25 per 1,000. Gum leaflets for children 10 cents per 100, 85 cents per 1,000.

Do not neglect the Sunday schools of foreign speaking people. Our Department literature includes German, Norwegian, Swedish, Bohemian, Italian, Polish and Hungarian envelope leaflets. Spanish, Japanese and Chinese leaflets are soon ready. Above all pray for the Sunday school workers and help to answer your prayers by doing systematic and practical temperance work in the Sunday school. Yours in the service,

STELLA B. IRVINE, Nat'l Supt.

COPY KOSCIUSKO COUNTY LEAFLET.

Vote Yes" to Guard the Home Against the Return of the Saloon.

POINTS AGAINST THE SALOON.

1. Nobody would let the saloon live but for the money made out of it. Its sole mission is to promote the financial profit of saloonists and brewers.
 2. Railroads, manufacturing companies and employers of labor of all sorts do not want the workman who patronizes the saloon if they can get any one else.
 3. Putting saloons out of towns makes business better, as figures show. We challenge a single successful contradiction.
 4. Saloons increase the consumption of liquor more than a hundred fold over the worst blind tigers, speak-easies, boot-leggers and the like, known in this state. The wettest dry town uses far less whiskey and beer than the driest wet town.
 5. The saloon does not produce money. It only gets hold of what is already there. It takes away from legitimate trade and sends a great part of it out of the town to distant brewers and distillers. It is a constant drain upon the financial resources of a community.
 6. To keep saloons out of communities makes labor much more reliable. Manufacturers don't want saloons in the neighborhood of their plants. In many places they petition against the location of saloons in their neighborhood.
 7. Saloons diminish the value of real estate in their vicinity, often seriously. Nobody wants a saloon for his next neighbor.
- "If as much liquor is sold in dry districts as in wet, why do brewers and distillers and saloonists spend money with a lavish hand to prevent dry legislation and to make elections go wet? They make common cause and fight as if the very life of their business depended on defeating the dries." NOW WHY?

PARLIAMENTARY LAW.

The fourth study by Mrs. A. S. Benjamin is now ready. Subject, "Constitution." Those who have the first three studies will surely want this fourth study. Price ten cents; address,

MRS. A. S. BENJAMIN,
Portland, Mich.

RAILROAD DEPARTMENT.

Dear County Superintendents:

I have mailed to each county superintendent of the Railroad Department report blanks for the local departments in each county so that as you visit the different unions in your county you can supply your local workers with the blanks and impress the importance of them filling them out and returning them to you in time for your report at the close of the year. Also sent some leaflets that can be used at your parlor meetings held in the interest of your department. Lovingly,

MRS. R. P. COLE,

State Supt, Railroad Department.
214 South 6th St., Lafayette, Ind.

HOUSEHOLD ECONOMICS.

Dear Co-workers:

You remember the state convention unanimously indorsed the resolutions last Fall asking the coming legislature for the enactment of a law for medical inspection of the schools—as New York, Chicago and other cities, as well as states, testify to the benefits of such school protection, it seems an inexplicable paradox that the representatives from over the state thought that the capitol city should be thus favored only; but as we are law abiding, it behooves us to do the next best thing—the superintendents of Mothers' Meetings could well afford to co-operate with Household Economic Workers in securing talks from the doctors and educators favoring the enterprise,

INDIANA LAW

CIGARETTES AND TOBACCO---CIGARETTES---SALE TO MINORS---PENALTY

Sec. 1... Be it enacted by the general assembly of the State of Indiana, That section one of the above entitled act be amended so as to read as follows: ...Sec. 1... It shall be unlawful for any person by himself, clerk, servant, employe, or agent, directly or indirectly, upon any pretense or by any device, to sell, exchange, barter, dispose of or give away, or keep for sale, to any minor, any cigarettes, cigarette paper or cigarette wrappers or any papers made or prepared for the purpose of being filled with tobacco for smoking, or keep or own, or be in any way concerned, engaged or employed in owning or keeping any such cigarettes, cigarette paper or wrappers, for sale to minors, and any person for violation of same shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall, for the first offense pay a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars and cost of prosecution, and stand committed to the county jail, or workhouse, until such costs are paid; and for the second and each subsequent offense he shall pay, upon conviction thereof, a fine of not less than one hundred dollars, nor more than five hundred dollars and the costs of prosecution, or be imprisoned in the county jail or workhouse, not to exceed six months.

CIGARETTES—FURNISHING TO MINORS.—Sec. 570. It shall be unlawful for any corporation, company, firm or person to sell, barter, furnish, procure for or give away, directly or indirectly, to any minor, any cigarettes, cigarette wrappers, or any substitute for either, or to persuade, advise, counsel or compel any minor to smoke any cigarette, any such corporations, company, firm or person violating any of the provisions of this section shall, for the first offense, on conviction be fined not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars; and for the second or any subsequent offense, such corporation, company, firm or person shall, on conviction, be fined not less than ten dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, to which may be added imprisonment in the county jail or workhouse for any period not exceeding sixty days.

TOBACCO—FURNISHING TO MINORS. Sec. 569. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to give, barter or sell, either directly or indirectly, to any child or children under sixteen years any tobacco or preparation of tobacco, to be chewed or smoked by such child or children, or to give, barter, or sell the same to any person whomsoever, with knowledge that it is to be chewed or smoked by any child under the age aforesaid or to persuade, advise, counsel or compel any child under said age to chew or smoke tobacco.

Any person who violates any of the provisions of this section shall, on conviction, be fined not less than ten dollars nor more than one hundred dollars, and be imprisoned in the county jail or workhouse not less than ten days nor more than thirty days.

ren, and some not able to walk rode. Another thereby increasing sentiment and impressing upon county and city officials the advisability of making small appropriations that would commence the work which would become so educational that no candidate for the coming legislature would dare to refuse to work and vote for medical inspection of all schools. In the meantime, inspect all bakeries and groceries and other unsanitary places that we may merit the often repeated saying that "she who rocks the cradle, rules the world."

Yours for service,
MARY A. MOODY, State Supt.,
219 E. 10th St., Indianapolis.

ANTI-NARCOTICS.

Sunday, June 27, 1909, will be a great day in the history of the Anti-Narcotic department, if we, the women of the locals care to make it such a day.

A wonderful opportunity is open to us and upon us rest a great responsibility. Sisters let us rally to the front and do our best.

The International Sunday School Association, through its Temperance Committee, has designated the Second Temperance Sunday of each year as Anti-Cigarette Day and has recommended its observance.

This is a time when the Sunday school and the Anti-Narcotic departments work hand in hand.

It is through the W. C. T. U. Sunday School superintendent, then the Anti-Narcotic superintendent works.

Some unions do not have a Sunday school superintendent, the Anti-Narcotic superintendent works through the temperance secretaries of the various churches.

If a church does not have a temperance secretary, then the Anti-Narcotic superintendent works direct with the pastor and Sunday school superintendent.

In case unions do not have women at the head of these departments, let the president or some member push this special work for June 27, 1909.

Please outline an Anti-cigarette program at once and present to the Sunday school superintendent for his consideration. Begin now, so that you may have time to arrange for exercises that will be worth hearing.

The Anti-Cigarette program could include a responsive reading on "The Cigarette Evil" to precede the study of the quarterly temperance lesson; an address by the superintendent or pastor; anti-cigarette recitations; a chorus of boys could sing spiritedly, "The Cigarette Must Go." A striking blackboard exercise or an illustrated talk would add significance to the hour; circulate the anti-cigarette pledge with the regular Sunday school temperance pledge; let each member of the school be given an anti-cigarette or anti-tobacco leaflet. Have printed copies of the state anti-cigarette law for use in adult classes where it is well to have a discussion of the same, answering the question: What are the requirements of the law? Its weak points? How strengthen it? How enforce it?

Anti-cigarette talks for primary and junior workers will be most helpful, having a blackboard illustration and pointed memory lines. Sunday schools may unite in an afternoon or evening anti-cigarette rally and representatives from the various schools should have part on the program.

"The Anti-Cigarette Warfare," "The Doom of Prince Nicotine" and "Old Glory in Peril" are rally programs which are highly commended.

Send 15 cents to Mrs. Stella B. Irvine, 115 Walnut St., Riverside, Cal., for the "Anti-Cigarette Budget" of samples.

Send 10 cents to Miss Ruby I. Gilbert, 131 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill., for "The Anti-Cigarette Speaker."

I can supply you with the Anti-Cigarette coupon pledges, at 30 cents per 100.

Ask the pastors to preach a sermon on "Cigarettes," Sunday, June 27.

Dear sisters, let us make this year our best for God and home and every land.

MRS. IVA WOOD PARKER, State Supt.
Elkhart, Ind.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

Dear Sunday School Workers:

The communication which you should have seen in the May Message was delayed because of pressure of work and lack of the usual clerical help by the National Superintendent of the Department so that her plan for Anti-Cigarette Day did not reach me in time for that issue. I hope you are all planning to make this the best year in the Sunday School work and that we may be able to carry off some of the prizes at the National convention. I have sent you catalogues of the old leaflets but want to mention some new ones which I hope you will send for at once so as to get them in time for Anti-Cigarette Sunday, June 27.

Our June Temperance Sunday is so near the Fourth that it would be well to add to its observance a touch of patriotism. "Old Glory," a temperance exercise, is especially fine for this. About twelve of these leaflets will be sufficient.

"Temperance Talks for Primary and Junior Workers" and the song "The Cigarette Must Go," each 50 cents per 100. A responsive reading, "The Cigarette Evil, The parable of Tobacco," "The Price of a License" each 50 cents per 100. "The Quarterly Temperance Lesson for June 27, No Tobacco; why?" "Why Sign the Pledge Against Tobacco?" each 30 cents per 100. "How It Grows," "Praying and Voting," "I Hate It," "Follow Me," "Uncle Sam's Taxpayers," each 15 cents per 100. "Herbert's Dying Wish," "The Little Reformer," "The Price He Paid," each 10 cents per 100. The Anti-Cigarette pledge is 30 cents per 100. The patriotic pledge is a beautiful pledge on which is Old Glory with the words: "For Love of Christ and Country," and "In the Cause of Freedom from King Alcohol." Send all orders to Mrs. Stella B. Irvine, 115 Walnut St., Riverside, Cal. Read carefully her letter on How to Observe Anti-Cigarette Day. Sincerely yours,

FRANCES G. BOYER,
State Supt. Sunday School Dept.
2060 Ruckle St., Indianapolis.

On May 2nd, 1909, we received a check for \$50.00 signed "A Well Wisher," the money to be used for the Hadley Industrial School. We want to thank the generous donor for the helpful gift, and will use it in advancing our work at the Home.

CLARA M. SEARS,
State Treasurer W. C. T. U.

FROM MRS. STANLEY'S NOTE-BOOK.

Since my last I spent two days in old Vincennes. Got several new members for the W. C. T. U. and held two mass meetings in the churches. The good people there have to wipe out the saloons to protect themselves from the riff-raff that is coming onto them from other fields. I spent two days at New Augusta; they have a fine union there and are already organized to turn Marion county dry.

I shall never forget the campaign in Delaware county. They had the very best organization there I have yet found—most of the committee were old veterans—Prohibition campaigners, and they went in to win at the beginning. The business men there took off their gloves and went into the fight in earnest. Their wives were at the front and children, too, did their part. They can win in Marion county with such co-operation I am sure.

I did my best for Tippecanoe, but the bum element prevailed. I can not say enough for Pres-

ident Stone and his loyal teachers and students of Purdue. They deserve better things at the hands of the city, but LaFayette business men have a surprise coming to them;—the women who do the trading have decided that they won't buy drygoods where their boys can get wet goods, and there are splendid dry towns near them whose business men will profit by LaFayette's calamity.

I spent Saturday and Sabbath at Hebron. Had a great rally there. Porter county is sure to go dry. I go to Madison county the 6th, and to Versailles the 10th; College Corner 12th, South Bend 15-16. These are strenuous days and every sunrise brings us nearer the Prohibition goal. God speed the victory.

ELIZABETH T. STANLEY

INDUSTRIAL CENTERS OF 20,000 POPULATION OR OVER UNDER PROHIBITION.

Worcester, Mass.,	128,135
*Memphis, Tenn.,	125,018
Fall River, Mass.,	105,762
Atlanta, Ga.,	104,984
Kansas City, Kas.,	100,000
Birmingham, Ala.,	100,000
Cambridge, Mass.,	100,000
*Nashville, Tenn.,	84,703
Lynn, Mass.,	77,042
New Bedford, Mass.,	74,362
Somerville, Mass.,	69,272
Knoxville, Tenn.,	60,000
Portland, Me.,	55,167
Springfield, O.,	50,000
Brockton, Mass.,	47,794
Augusta, Ga.,	43,125
Mobile, Ala.,	42,903
Montgomery, Ala.,	40,808
Oklahoma City, Okla.,	40,043
Malden, Mass.,	38,037
Topeka, Kas.,	37,641
Chelsea, Mass.,	37,289
Newton, Mass.,	36,827
Rockford, Ill.,	36,051
*Chattanooga, Tenn.,	34,297
Macon, Ga.,	32,692
Wichita, Kas.,	31,110
Everett, Mass.,	30,111
Quincy, Mass.,	28,076
Waltham, Mass.,	26,282
Gloucester, Mass.,	26,011
Zanesville, O.,	24,011
Lewiston, Me.,	24,997
Decatur, Ill.,	24,727
Bangor, Me.,	23,500
Winston-Salem, N. C.,	22,862
North Adams, Mass.,	22,150
Charlotte, N. C.,	22,009
Wilmington, N. C.,	21,528
Concord, N. H.,	21,210
Leavenworth, Kas.,	20,934
Portsmouth, O.,	20,714
Findley, O.,	20,613
Meridian, Miss.,	20,503
Newark, O.,	20,419
East Liverpool, O.,	20,078
Berkeley, Calif.,	20,000
Ashville, N. C.,	20,000
Elkhart, Ind.,	20,000
Jackson, Miss.,	20,000
Battle Creek, Mich.,	20,000

(*—State Prohibition Law including these cities passed January, 1909; in effect July 1, 1909.)

COLORADO.—In the local town elections April 6. there were 18 Prohibition victories to 7 majorities for license.

OHIO.—Prohibition victory in Springfield and Clark county emphasizes the fact that the people want to be rid of the saloon. Springfield is a city of 50,000 people. The "Prohibition wave" is not receding.

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Collection of Dues is of much importance. Every union is known by the size of its paid membership. Urge the payment of dues in all the unions in June. Presidents can do much by appointing persons to speak to those in their neighborhood.

Treasurers take with you to the first June meeting of your union the complete list of those whose membership fees are due. Speak about this matter in the business hour and secure help in collecting.

Ohio has 25,000 W. C. T. U. Women who have paid dues last year. These Ohio women are a mighty factor in all temperance work. Little old Indiana should have more than half as many members as Ohio. Why is it that our unions do not secure the members?

How many members have you brought into the union this year? You cannot get a new member? Why? Have you been definitely going in search of W. C. T. U. members? If you are too busy to help, remember that the things that count for the uplifting of the community and county against the liquor business are things of importance. They affect human lives.

Please help. Give two afternoons during the first two weeks of June to visiting people seeking W. C. T. U. members.

How to Secure Members! Any woman may be a member of the W. C. T. U. by signing the total abstinence pledge and paying one dollar membership fee.

Press Superintendents have The W. C. T. U. Declaration of Principles published in all your papers early as possible in June.

Local Presidents, please have The W. C. T. U. Declaration of Principles read by a good reader at your first local and first public meeting.

There is a little ugly wave motion throughout the state charging the W. C. T. U. with being partisan. In order to refute this statement we must give out information. Keep our Declaration of Principles before the people.

Many W. C. T. U. members greatly desire to help increase temperance sentiment in their own communities.

This can be done by any member. How? By getting a few dimes' worth of some good leaflet and placing it in the hands of reading men and women.

Where? By permission, in the adult Bible classes in the Sunday schools, on the counter of a friendly merchant; by getting a school boy to hand them out to passers-by on a much traveled street.

WHAT LOCAL SUPERINTENDENTS CAN DO.

Department Superintendents would do well to secure good leaflets in the interest of their departments and through the co-operation of their pastors have one kind of a leaflet laid upon the pew seats early on a Sunday morning as often as once a month for six months or a year. Thus the Sunday morning church-goers would get information concerning that one department.

Remember always, that a person's interest in a subject is according to his knowledge of the subject.

State Department Superintendents will summarize the reports for the year sent them from the counties. The local unions do much work of which there should be kept a record and a report made. Active State Superintendents in Indiana have much work to do. There are forty-two organized counties in Indiana. Besides these there are some unions in unorganized counties. Thus the work of each state superintendent extends to about fifty counties.

We consider this of great importance when we know that each state superintendent should be in touch with every county organization and write every union in an unorganized county.

Our department work is of vital importance. In counties and towns where our cause has influence it is where there is effective department work done.

Our Indiana state superintendents have a great field, to carry on a campaign in forty-two organized counties and in separate unions in six or more unorganized counties means great work. It means persistent effort and great devotion to bring success.

The Indiana State Board of Health has issued a "Health Circular on Social Hygiene."

This is an educational pamphlet. Its teachings may save the life of a young man or a young woman.

Copies are sent free upon application. Every W. C. T. U. in Indiana should have at least twenty-five copies, one should be put into the hands of every member of a school board, every school trustee, school teacher, minister, Sunday school superintendent and editor in our whole state.

Everywhere Presbyterian churches can have, just for the asking, excellent temperance speakers. Great indeed is the work of the temperance committee of the Presbyterian church. Speaker is sent upon request of the pastor to any Presbyterian church.

These speakers are paid a salary so they serve constantly without price. Collections are taken at their meetings and sent to the Assembly's Temperance Committee.

Besides the speakers being kept in the field the Presbyterian church's Temperance Committee publishes much temperance literature which is furnished free to Presbyterian churches which contribute to the Assembly's Temperance Committee and supplied to other organizations or individuals at cost. Much literature is published. Some of which is very helpful, such as Quarterly Temperance Sunday School programs. These are large, containing outline programs then giving information etc. For such use a large four page leaflet contains many excellent selections in verse for recitations and temperance rally songs to familiar tunes. These large leaflets, more than half the size of The Message sell for 50 cents per hundred.

The Most Effective literature in a town or county includes facts concerning that town or county. Surely some reliable man can be secured by a local union to get facts from the books and courts. The newspapers will publish a reliable business-like statement of facts and figures.

The income from licensed saloons and the expense accruing from the direct result of the saloon business would be interesting reading.

Such a statement signed by a town or county officer who would see the figures taken from the books or by other well known reliable men would if published, have influence. After it was published in the newspaper the printer could run off 500 or 1000 copies at very little expense. Probably \$1.50 or \$1.75 per thousand.

DEPARTMENT W. C. T. U. LITERATURE

Next to writing up-to-date literature, its circulation ranks in importance. The more than forty specialists, who serve our cause as National Superintendents, furnish desirable leaflets which ought to be in the hands of every local union. It is asking too much of these National Superintendents to provide the leaflets and then to follow up their wide circulation. Admirable as our plan seems to be; to work from National to State, State to County and then to local superintendent, it is a fact that the plan is far from being practicable, and needs supplement.

All national departments are not duplicated in every state. Not every National Superintendent is as active as she might be in keeping constantly in touch with every state superintendent of her department and the state superintendents just as frequently fail to keep in touch with all the county unions.

It, therefore, happens that local conditions, or special adaptation, brings out a local superintendent who fails to be reached; and for lack of more immediate facility, does not secure literature which she sorely needs and would use to great advantage. She knows about our National Head-

quarters. This address is widely known. Would it not simplify the requirement, if the needed leaflets could be had direct from the National? It would relieve the National Superintendent in such cases and she could devote her talents to the needs of her department, instead of the details of printing and mailing and clerical work. We regret that few local women know the names or addresses of National Superintendents. The necessary delay in finding the way leads to loss of enthusiasm, sale and distribution of millions of pages of our choicest writings.

Moreover, the economy of a central publication bureau would save many dollars to the work. The printing, distribution, and clerical work could be done for much less than the present cost, with greater uniformity and greater dispatch.

It seems to "The Message" that it is worth while for the next National Convention to weigh this plan, and make appropriations with a Central Publication Bureau in mind. Hundreds of women throughout the nation would get in touch with our national departments by such change, and the specialists who make up our list of national superintendents would be relieved of the burden of clerical and detail distribution work. They could then devote more of their energy and ability to the study and development along national lines.

NEW LEAFLETS.

White Slave Trade, 35 cents per 100; Moral Education of a Child, 25 cents per hundred; Alcoholism a Contagious Disease (indictment of alcohol), 20 cents per hundred; A New York Physician on Alcohol, 15 cents per 100; What Doctors Say About Beer, 25 cents per hundred; Plain Facts About Beer, 25 cents per 100; Why Not Drink Alcoholic Liquors, 25 cents per 100; Alcoholism in Wine Drinking Countries, 25 cents per hundred; Tuberculosis and Alcoholism, 20 cents per 100. Order from Ohio Temperance Publishing House, 136 E. Gay St., Columbus, Ohio.

The Union County Institute was held in the M. E. church, May 12, under the enthusiastic and inspirational leadership of Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley. After the organization of the institute, much interest was manifested in the program. Mrs. Coughlin of Liberty read a paper on "The White Slave Trade," which was followed by discussion; "The Power of the Pulpit," presented by the Rev. Lorimer; "The Importance of the Sabbath School Quarterly Temperance Lesson by Dr. R. S. Paxton, "How the Cigarette Impedes Missionary Effort" by Rev. Mengler. Temperance revival conducted by the churches by Rev. B. D. Beck of the M. E. church, all of which were followed by open discussion. During the day, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley sang, "A Letter From Home." The white ribbon was tied on the arms of two babes, Merton Miller and Albert Brown, after which a prayer for blessings on them was offered by Mrs. Stanley. The local union served dinner and supper in the church. A social time was enjoyed. In the evening a silver medal contest was held. There were six contestants. Miss Floy Foreman won the medal.—Mrs. Stacks.

DEPARTMENT OF PURITY IN LITERATURE AND ART.

Dear County Workers—Half of our year is gone and I am wondering whether we have each one done all that we ought.

Quite often as the year's work begins we make great plans, begin with great enthusiasm, and expect to continue doing this all year, but too often we get busy with our own work, or on account of sickness or other unavoidable hindrances our interest begins to wane and we find ourselves doing practically nothing in the very department of work in which we had hoped to do so much and in which we really are deeply interested.

Let us pause and take a look over the past six months and see if everything is satisfactory. Perhaps some of the county superintendents have been looking for the report blanks so I will tell you that on account of each union having the monthly report blank which I sent, I decided that everything would be carefully kept account of and then the year's report could be sent in all at one time, thus saving much postage.

Many of you are not sending for laws as you should. I trust you will yet do so, and also I sincerely hope you are scattering abundant supplies of literature.

Several have written in regard to the impure and obscene post-cards. I think it is time to awaken to this subject, so many of these are constantly going through the mails that pure minded people ought to call a halt. Do not be afraid to speak to any dealer who has on sale such articles. If he does not know the law of our state forbids it, then kindly inform him, and if he does know and intentionally pays no attention, you certainly have a right to see the law enforced. Be careful in speaking of these things as we wish to win to our cause and not drive away, but do not be afraid; know well your grounds and be firm. But I'm afraid I have already written a more lengthy letter than our editor will wish to publish, so I must close. Write me often. I enjoy every letter.

Again I must say don't fail to keep account of your work. If any have lost, misplaced, or not received the plan of work, send at once for a copy I will gladly send it on request.

Yours very sincerely

ELNORA G. McNAUGHTON.

Ray, Steuben Co., P. O. Box 94.

LOCAL OPTION

Deputy—During the local option campaign our State President, Mrs. Vayhinger, gave one of her best speeches to a full house. We were glad to have her with us; also Mrs. Augustine, our County President, gave two addresses, one of which was at an entertainment and banquet of the Rebeccas, who kindly arranged for her on their program. As all our funds were sent to aid in distributing literature during the recent campaign our members donated time, edibles and labor to provide dinner for the election board of this precinct, thus reimbursing their W. C. T. U. purse. The next regular meeting is at the home of Mrs. V. Hughes, June 4, where we expect a good meeting and some new members.

Greensburg—White ribboners and other good people rejoiced to see the fixtures of several saloons being hauled away and the saloons closed, but some can carry on their life and soul destroying business until next Fall. Prohis. Voters' League and others, carried petitions, and the work was quickly done; ministers were earnest and active—public meetings were held on the Sabbaths. Much space was given in county papers to temperance articles. A number of speakers from Indianapolis were called to help. The election day was beautiful, and passed quietly—Prohis were at the polling booths, white ribbon women and some of the teachers led bands of children in their marches from place to place. One little mother with baby in cab kept up with the children, and some not able to walk rode. A mother of lovely children who has suffered on account of the traffic, said: "It was hard on the women who marched, but the children will never forget it," and although they were nearly worn out at night, they were happy, and said "Mamma, we won." The little daughter of a W. C. T. U. member was surprised to see her mother getting ready for a meeting, and said: "Why, mamma, will you have a meeting? I thought the saloons were put out."—Laura Thompson.

Kosciusko County has one W. C. T. U. and that is at Syracuse. Our local option election is over and a hard fight gave us a great victory. It far surpassed the most sanguine expectation. Our county has a Civic League, Mr. J. P. Dolan, of Syracuse is president, and by his persistent efforts each township had an organization with as many helpers as could be enlisted, and each one to interest as many as possible quietly without arousing the "wet" workers. The last week our ministers were thoroughly aroused and they were sent to the country and everywhere they could get a hearing. There were only two from outside territory and they were very good. Curtis Sullenger of Garrett, Ind., an ex-saloon keeper and gambler, but now a converted man in the German Baptist (Dunkard) church; and the other one Rev. Madison Swadener. The representative of Kosciusko county, Hon. Jesse Eshbach, Rev. Wm. Smith, editor of the Warsaw Union, Rev. J. A. Beaton of Warsaw, Rev. J. C. McColly of Leesburg, Wm. Deeter and Rev. Groves of Milford, Rev. N. L. Weaver, H. R. Herendeen, DeLong of Syracuse. The ministers gave excellent help in many ways. A few days before the election postal cards with instructions how to vote and a plea for every voter to be at the polls on that day were sent out. These proved to be very helpful. And every step put forth by the "wets" was met by the "drys." If they put up a poster the temperance people put up a bill "Vote dry to protect the home," and that soon stopped their work along that line. I do hope and pray that we may continue to keep up the same ratio of dry counties in the future that we have in the past. We appreciate the Message very much and at any time we can assist by giving you more of the detail work of our county work would only be glad to do so.—Alice B. Dolan.

Jefferson County.—Mrs. George E. Denny of Madison, writes: We have just closed a successful campaign in Jefferson county. We won the election by a majority of 106 votes. The fight was a hard one here, but God was on our side and if God be for us who can be against us? We feel that no one deserves more praise for the success of the campaign than the editor of the Daily Democrat, A. S. Chapman. He has in times past given the W. C. T. U. a column in his paper. When he came out for the "drys" the W. C. T. U. began trying to increase his subscription list. We succeeded, too, sending out over 1500 sample copies. We sent out literature by the wholesale and retail. We had some of the best speakers our country affords among them Seborn Wright, Father Barns, Evangelist Robinson, Mrs. M. A. McCurdy and our own dear Mrs. Vayhinger. There were many others, but I can not mention them all. Our own little county president went out over the county making local option speeches while some of the rest of us stayed at home to look after the heavy work of the city. It all had to be very carefully planned, for Madison is a peculiar place. Right here was our hardest fight. Our men fought the good fight so bravely and I am sure that it will not be long until even the saloon-keepers will be glad it was done. We are praying God will help them get into some better business. The women held all

day prayer meetings on election day. The devil was surely turned down in Madison that day and we would have lost the battle had it not been for the work of some detectives. I must close, but I have not told half.

Howard County "Option Campaign."

County Chairman Mr. Will Morton, said it was a continuous fight from start to finish. The literature used was mostly from the Anti-Saloon League and from Kansas City and Montgomery, Alabama. We had a publicity committee whose business it was to write up meetings and to write items answering articles brought out by the saloon element. The W. C. T. U. and other temperance women did house to house visiting, held prayer meetings, rang church bells and in many of the precincts furnished dinner for the election board. We had both local and outside talent. From Kokomo Rev. Swadener. Rev. Choate, Rev. M. M. Parr, Rev. Moore, O. A. Summers and Judge Elliott, and others. From outside, Judge S. R. Artman, Judge Waugh and A. G. Burkhart, Tipton; C. A. Robins, Greenfield; M. A. Waterman, Kansas. ISADORE BALL.

..For the Campaign the L. T. L. of Madison worked up a successful parade for the night before election with the help of the junior Supts. and Sunday school teachers. Mrs. M. A. McCurdy did good work among the colored people. She organized an L. T. L. a W. C. T. Union and made many "dry votes."

Salem W. C. T. U. under the wise leadership of its efficient and hustling president, Mrs. Lucretia Prow, is in a very flourishing condition. Last quarter we gained five new members, enthusiastic and active, and hope to add more to those already gained in this quarter. The readers of "The Message" have doubtless all heard ere this, of Washington county's glorious prohibition victory at our option election on April 30th, every precinct in the county went "dry." With a view toward arousing sentiment in favor of this victory, on April 23rd our Union gave a public entertainment consisting of recitations from Medal Contest selections, interspersed with music and temperance songs, etc. Among the speakers were four winners of oratorical prizes. An editor who was present, reported the event in his paper as follows: "The W. C. T. U. had a large and appreciative audience at their entertainment last Friday night. Some most excellent numbers were given, Mrs. Gilbert Batt, fully sustaining her reputation gained in the diamond medal contest at Bedford, as a most finished speaker. The large number of young men taking part in the 'Boys' Chorus,' the high school boys' double quartette, the 'Saloon Must Go' drill by fifteen little girls, closing with the song 'Vote for the little boys and girls, and the song 'Cold Water,' by a six-year-old girl, were very pleasing features to many, and the large number of other good things kept every one interested to the end of the program." A number of our members went to the public school buildings the day before election, taking a quantity of "vote for me" badges, which they pinned on the children as they were dismissed from school, requesting them to wear them home and back to school the next day, which most of them did, and we are reliably informed that more than one father was thereby influenced to change his vote from "wet" to "dry." The children marched down to the public square with their badges on, and standing on the court house steps sang with vim "Vote for the little boys and girls," and by seven o'clock next morning they were marching around the square again singing their song at the top of their voices. It is reported that from drinking men and from men supposed to be "wet" several expressions similar to the following were heard, viz: "I saw the children with their badges 'vote for me' and I voted for them and am glad of it. What could I have voted for that would have been better?"—Mary N. Overman, local Supt. Press.

Bartholomew County Women Scrub Sidewalks.

March 30th will be long remembered by the Bartholomew county women. That was the day the "county went dry." On that day the W. C. T. U. by previous arrangement had the church bells run every hour from 5 a. m. until the polls closed at 6 p. m. The schools, headed by the teachers marched around public square carrying flags and banners, each one wearing a badge, with "vote yes for me," and singing temperance songs. After the children came the women of the W. C. T. U. and many others all wearing badges. Surrounding the polls the children sang their temperance songs. During the previous night the liquor element had written with chalk at intervals all around the square on the sidewalk such things as they thought best suited to encourage their followers to vote No, so, early in the morning we together with some of our temperance women scrubbed the sidewalk around the public square. We never did like to scrub but we certainly enjoyed scrubbing that time. Prayer meeting was held from 7 to 8 a. m., from 9 to 10 a. m. and from 2 to 3 p. m. How earnestly we prayed and how anxious we were and then how we did

rejoice when the glad news came that the saloons in Bartholomew county must go! We believe that the temperance sentiment made by the W. C. T. U. made this election possible, and we shall go steadily on with our work until we have entire prohibition.—Mrs. Jennie Guffey, press Supt., Hartsville W. C. T. U.

Miami County Campaign.

The county was organized in response to County Chairman's call by mass meetings being held in every community, committees appointed on arrangements, Sunday school children were drilled in temperance songs and marched wearing badges saying *vote dry for me*, and carrying banners with inscriptions such as *vote for us, vote dry, remember Wayne county, vote saloons out send drunks to Richmond*. Probably the most effective thing done was the space purchased in the Peru Morning Journal (daily), where there was every day information from the drys, as to the progress of the work, and some reports of the work of the saloons during those very days of campaign effort, and some telling cartoons one: *wil he vote for the saloon or for mother and the baby*. Mr. Fraum, Rohrer, DeFoe, and Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Mrs. Daisy Barr were some of the speakers who helped by speaking for the drys.—Margaret Bundy.

Tippicanoe County.—It is with much regret that we give the result of the election in Tippicanoe county yesterday, which went "wet" by a majority of 793. The result was a surprise generally, as the "wet" leaders themselves did not look for such a margin. The "dry" workers, when the polls closed last evening and the counting of ballots began, confidently expected to carry the county by not less than 1,500 majority. The "drys" are badly disappointed and the "wets" are jubilant, but the citizens who took no part in the campaign, are glad it is over. Everett B. Vawter, chairman of the county Option League, said the result was a very great and painful surprise to him. I guess the people want the saloons. That immense interest was taken in the outcome of the election was evident from the large crowd of people on the streets last evening. The newspaper offices were kept busy from the time the polls closed till nearly 10 o'clock answering telephone calls. There was no celebration by the "wets," although there was great rejoicing at headquarters. At the "dry" headquarters the first returns were not regarded as disastrous, but when the city precincts began to report and the figures were compared with those from the rural districts it was seen there was little hope of victory. The "drys" think their defeat attributable to so many being blinded into thinking the taxes would be increased and the stand the business men of the city took with the Tax Payers League.—Mrs. Lillian F. Hall, 1913 Echo St., Co. Press Supt.

Tippicanoe Effective Campaign.

The "wet" campaign was very successfully conducted both by the Taxpayers' League and the saloon men's independent organization. The work of Stephen J. Hannagan as leader of the saloon men's society was most effective and many think that but for the efficient work of the Second ward councilman the result would have been different. He outlined all the policies of the saloon men's organization and had charge of the canvass both in the city and country. The Taxpayers' League was a great factor in the campaign. The leaders all worked hard and G. R. MacDowell, of Danville, Ill., organizer of the league, directed its campaign effectively. Mr. MacDowell departed today for his home in Danville. He said the majority was much larger than he expected. He also conducted the business men's campaign in the Cass county local option election.—Exchange.

Seymour.—Mrs. Retta Jones, state W. C. T. U. worker, was greeted by a large audience at the women's meeting held in the Presbyterian church on Sunday at 7:30 o'clock. She presented facts and figures in her address, claiming and proving the right of women to protect their homes from the liquor traffic. All present were both entertained and instructed. The local option worker had arranged for a meeting for men only on same evening otherwise Mrs. Jones would have had as many gentlemen as ladies to hear her. She attended county institute of W. C. T. U. April 23rd Browns-town, Ind. A large number of W. C. T. U. members and ladies interestd in the good of our city met at the call of President, Mrs. W. F. Pfaffenberger, at the home of Mrs. Howard Brown. Methodist and Presbyterian ministers and other gentlemen were present. It was decided to serve lunch at each precinct, also hold a prayer service all day in Presbyterian church beginning 5 a. m. different leaders every hour. These were well attended, and the ringing of the bell encouraged both men and women as they worked all day. When result of county, dry, was known, all church bells were rung.

Later.—In response to general invitation from W. C. T. U., to all interested, a large and very enthusiastic meeting of ladies was held in beautiful home of Mrs. Ida Miller. The regular program was omitted, and reports of those who served lunch at the different precincts on election day,

together with praise and thanksgiving filled the hour. We rejoiced together. Two crusaders, Mrs. Elizabeth Keller, and Mrs. S. H. Huffman, favored us with their presence, both are members of our union. The local option workers of Seymour asked the ladies to be present near the booths and on the streets on election day and believe they were an advantage. Everywhere the best of order was observed. Seymour W. C. T. U. went on record as thanking God for the manly men, who gave time, strength and money for speakers to aid the cause, and the rural voter for making success possible in county.

Seymour:—Jackson county local option campaign was fiercely fought. A leading republican business man and an equally well known democrat worked together a whole month. The Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist and Christian ministers worked unitedly. The best speakers possible were obtained. Hon Seaborn Wright of Georgia, Mr. Fanning the Irish orator, Mrs. Jones, Rev. Shumaker. The Hon. W. Brannon, mayor of Xenia, Ohio, spoke of conditions as they now exist in his own and other "dry" towns in Ohio. Men think that he made votes. Daily and weekly newspapers were kept well filled with columns of temperance facts and figures supplied by an experienced writer. Every thing possible was done to arouse and inform voters of city and county. Politics were eliminated, it was saloon against the home and was a hard fought battle. Seymour went wet, it was the country vote that saved the county.—L. C. VanHorn.

Hamilton County:—"Dry" with a majority of 2,188. The county was well organized. All the ministers were asked to preach sermons and urge the men to go and vote, and a few speakers came from other counties. Much was done by local talent. The editors did a good deal by publishing special editions, showing the misery and crime of the saloon and giving statistics of the cost of just one trial in this county. These were sent to every voter in the county. You must know that Hamilton county is not as hard a county to work as some others, it has no large cities.—Dollie Stalker.

At Deputy and vicinity several medal contests have been held through the efforts of Mrs. Minnie Harrod. The young people and children rendering most excellently their recitations and adding much by singing solos and duets. A silver gray contest is being planned by Mrs. Gudgel to be held in the near future. We rejoice and praise God that the suspense of the local option election was turned to success for the dries in Jefferson county April 30 by 106 majority.—Sarah Robertson.

Clinton County:—Spring convention was held in the M. E. church at Kirklin. An interesting and instructive program was carried out and a great many helpful plans were discussed. All the Kirklin ministers were present, as was Rev. Riley of Mulberry, they helped in planning our work. The special music under the auspices of the Kirklin union was greatly enjoyed by all. The church was decorated with pot plants and flags and appropriate mottos. We held a matron's contest at night and a large enthusiastic audience greeted the speakers. Mrs. Ella Hopp of Kirklin, received the medal. The following poem was composed and read by Mrs. Mary E. Ulm, president of the Kirk-

lin union, and is affectionately dedicated to our county president, Mrs. Carrie Brinkhoff:

Have you heard the news my comrades?

Have you heard the glad new cry?

The people have decided,
And Frankfort has gone dry.

And Clinton, dear old Clinton,

At last has heard the call;
She has buckled on her armor,
Says King Alcohol shall fall.

See the great white ribbon army!

With its banner waving high,
It is marching out to battle
To make its homeland dry.

With the white and golden banner
Bathed so oft with tears and prayers
They are going to give their children
The heritage that is theirs.

A home in a free-born country,
Where Demon Drink no longer rules;
Where the father's hard earned wages,
Help support the church and school.

They have been in this great conflict,
Over thirty long, sad years—
But the foe is now retreating,
And their victory appears.

Yes, victory for our dear state,
Like a Goddess she proudly stands—
Reviewing her grand armies,
The noble, brave, white-ribbon bands.

And so the war goes ever onward
Tho' sorely pressed by every foe—
But the Great Commander has decreed it,
And the last saloon shall go.

O, ye brewers! cease your warfare,
All in vain your frenzied cry—
For our God of battle has decided,
And the nation is going dry.

Jennings County Election Campaign.

The local option movement in Jennings county was launched by a mass meeting held in North Vernon, February 13, 1909. About one hundred voters from over the county were present. At this meeting the organization for the campaign was effected. A democrat was elected as county president, a democrat for county treasurer and a republican for secretary. Care was taken to make the movement non-partisan. Each township was organized into a committee of several who were to organize and push the movement in their respective townships. A literature committee was elected to use the three county papers for publishing the "dry" side of the movement. Hon. Charles Robinson made a ten days trip over the county making addresses. The Protestant ministers were all in hearty accord and gave their whole soul and efforts to the work of making

about twelve speeches over the county. Hon. J. F. Meek, of Coshocton, was engaged to deliver two speeches in North Vernon on the last Sunday before the election which was March 30. The literature committee used the mails in sending out hundreds of letters filled with the best of temperance arguments. Of course much work was done at the polls both in the towns and in the country. Everything went off very peacefully. No arrests were made. The county went 520 majority for the "drys." The W. C. T. U. organized the children for singing and marching. The various ladies' organizations of the four churches served lunch at the four precincts of North Vernon, each church in charge of one precinct.

Morgan County is still dry. Some good lawyers are helping the temperance forces to fight the liquor men who are trying through technicality of law to secure a license.

Noble County:—The county option work in Noble county was the result of being thoroughly organized. In the county and by townships, committees were appointed to secure speakers. The ministers of all churches worked faithfully. Special literature was published for the occasion; the press also assisted by giving large space for temperance news. Those who assisted in the work from outside the county were Judge Blair of Ohio, Judge B. F. Deal of Goshen, and Mr. Fred Rohrer of Berne. A special and very interesting feature of the work was the stereopticon views given by Dr. N. W. Tracy and wife.

Washington County went dry by a majority of twelve hundred and ninety. Every township voted dry. We had remonstrated the saloon out and was well organized. Our people saw the difference between 1904 and 1908 the last year we had a saloon, there were 136 arrests for drunks costing the county \$399.80. 1908 no saloon, 22 arrests, costing county \$48.80. They realized in this one item alone the county was out \$351 in 1904 over 1908. This is only one item, they fully realized what it would be, if it extended to all departments. Our local papers were in sympathy with us, and kept the subject before the people. Anti-Saloon League State Supt. W. C. Helt, of Evansville, was with us and gave three addresses, the rest were made by local talent. Our ladies went before the commissioners and had them put the election off until after the institute. In the meantime we were busy—gave a public entertainment, had all the boys and girls we could get in it. The day of the election at six a. m., the church bells rang and all whistles blew. Badges "vote for me," were pinned on the children, and they went around the square singing "vote for the boys and the girls." We had an all-day prayer meeting; we used very little literature as both our papers are strong for temperance, and did lots of good work for us. Yours to count on—Fannie B. Ellis.

The Amethyst is the name of a small eight-page monthly paper. The Official organ of the Presbyterian church. Subscription price 25 cents per year.

For speakers, for literature and for any information concerning the Presbyterian General Assembly's Temperance Committee, address the committee at 72 Conestoga Building, Pittsburg, Pa.

"There is no death—
What seems so is transition;
This life of mortal breath,
Is but a suburb of the life elysian,
Whose portal we call death."

Sample Option Ballot.

YES
X

Shall the sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage be prohibited?

NO

FLOWER MISSION

DAY

JUNE 9

Every Union Visit
Sick or an In-
stitution

THE FOLLOWING IS A COPY OF THE POST CARD USED IN KOSCIUSKO COUNTY:

Dear Sir:

The most important election in the history of our county will be held Thursday, April 29, and the question of whether saloons shall be allowed to return to the county will rest entirely with you. This vote will be our first chance and in all probability the last one we will have on this question, and we cannot too strongly urge upon you the importance of your voting early, and in order that your vote may count for the best interests of ourselves and future generations, be sure your ticket is marked as shown on opposite side of this card. To vote dry, mark an X in the square containing the word "YES."

Yours for "God, Home and Native Land"

TURKEY CREEK TOWNSHIP TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

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PRESS POINTERS.

All copy for publication should be either type written or written in a plain bold hand. Lines closely and finely written are hard to read.

Proper names should be plainly written, for their spelling can not be guessed.

On a program or in a news item for publication Mrs. Brown or Rev. Johnson is too indefinite. The first name or initials should always be given. On a W. C. T. U. program the name of the county or state officer with address should always be given. The name of the church where the minis-

ter officiates and his address should be given. For example: Mrs. J. J. Brown,
County Supt. Mercy,
Mapleton.

Rev. John B. Johnson,
Pastor First Baptist Church,
Greencastle.

Spoken words reach only a limited number of people.

Items or reports of W. C. T. U. meetings published in a newspaper may reach one thousand or more persons.

Important indeed it is to have our W. C. T. U.

work "written up" for the papers, so that the community may always be reminded of our purposes and our constant efforts.

Chrisney, Ind. Postmaster writes that he has W. C. T. U. mail for Mrs. E. C. Mater "unclaimed." He asks for advice. The annual report for the Indiana W. C. T. U. contains a county and local union official directory; if for any reason there is a mistake, or change in an address it should be announced through The Message. The postmaster should be informed of correct address. "Be careful in little things."



MRS. G. L. HUXTABLE,
Connersville, Ind., President Fayette County
W. C. T. U.

FIELD NEWS

The Lafayette W. C. T. U. was entertained by Mrs. L. S. Smith at her home—the St. Paul M. E. parsonage, on Friday evening, May 7th. This was a woman suffrage meeting and the other unions of the city with husbands and friends were invited to attend. The rooms thrown together were attractive with many bouquets of spring flowers and carnations, and they were filled to their utmost capacity with members and friends.

Mrs. L. S. Smith conducted the devotional service and Prof. Gunn sang, "Reconciled to God." Miss Addie Borum read a well prepared paper: "Taxation without Representation." The Jester family sang good prohibition songs. Rev. O. R. McKay gave the address of the evening: "The Political Status of Women of Today." This was an excellent resume of women's environments and privileges—showing a great advance in betterment of conditions. Rev. McKay believes that the Constitution rightfully interpreted gives to woman the ballot. Rev. Groves, pastor of the U. B. church, spoke briefly but feelingly about our ignominious defeat by the "wets." It is a humiliation and inexpressible grief that our eighteen hundred university boys must run the gauntlet of one hundred and five—or more—saloons for two more years! Rev. I. J. Bassett, of West Side M. E. church spoke in high commendation of woman's standing in schools and colleges and her ability to grasp and execute equally if not superior to the "brethren"—so fitted, he declared, to teach, preach, vote or do whatever his hands find to do. Rev. L. S. Smith spoke briefly also. There was instrumental music by Paul Smith, cornetist, and Mrs. Goldsmith. Several new members were received and a social hour followed during which ice cream and cake were served. Miss Eliza F. Baker, president, presided.—Mrs. H. H. Moore, local president.

Hebron, Porter County.—An institute was not held this Spring but May 1st called Mrs. Stanley to come and help us, being on the eve of our local option election, which will probably come off this month. Mrs. Stanley spoke Saturday night in the U. P. church and gave "Who Killed Joe's Baby?" Then Sunday in the p. m. in the Christian church. In the evening she spoke in the M. E. (the largest church in town) at a union service of the churches. Many were turned away for lack of room. Mrs. Stanley interested all, and awakened much thought on the part of the voters. We gained many members for our union through her efforts and we feel wonderfully benefited by her stay among us.

Fort Wayne.—The Frances Willard Union of this place is doing faithful work along all temperance lines. Previous to Lord's day week, or the week of prayer for Sabbath Observance, we sent a letter to be read at the meeting of the ministerial association, and saw personally or wrote to the superintendents of Sabbath schools of the 23 evangelical churches, asking ministers and superintendents to observe the week of prayer. Also sent notices to the daily papers, and at our regular meeting special prayers were offered for Sabbath Observance. We earnestly request the prayers of all the sisters that in the coming local option election in Allen county right may triumph.—(Mrs.) K. E. Merriam.

Wells County Institute was held May 4 and 5, in Bluffton. Belated farm work and house cleaning some sickness etc. caused a much lighter attendance than last year. The institute was under the very efficient leadership of Mrs. Rose Pearce. She was at her best and fully demonstrated the fact that she is very conversant with the work as well as very much interested in the work for the work's sake. The county president who had been ailing for two weeks suffered intensely through-

out the entire session, therefore, could not be to leader or the institute what she should or would have been. The program arranged by the state was followed as closely as possible. Besides this several topics were discussed by Mrs. Pearce. Mrs. Black presented the L. T. L. work; Mrs. D. T. Smith spoke on "The White Slave Trade;" Mrs. Goodin on "The Latest Findings of Science regarding the Effects of Alcohol on the Human System;" Mrs. Ellingham on "The Advantages of Municipal Suffrage for Women;" Rev. A. H. Brand on "The Work of the Church Temperance Committee;" Mr. G. L. Saunders on "The Christian Press Against the Brewer and Distiller;" Rev. W. W. Martin on "Constitutional Prohibition and its Advantages;" Mr. C. S. Brineman on "The Need of a Law for the Protection of Prohibition Territory;" and Mrs. A. B. Cline on "How Rum, Opium and the Cigarette Impede Missionary Work." During the day sessions, the audiences were treated to some good musical numbers and interesting readings vocal solos by Miss Florence Bishop and Miss Lora Bolenbaugh, a piano solo by Miss Mary Kerwood, a recitation by Master Asa Abshire and a reading by Mrs. Stafford. At the gold medal contest held the evening of the 4th, Mrs. McCullick of Keystone won the medal. There were six contestants. The music for the evening consisted of a solo by Miss Chloe Hiester, a duet by Mr. Harry and Miss Golda Archbold and a piano solo by Miss Mildred Studebaker. On the evening of the 5th Mrs. Pearce gave an address which should have called together a packed house. Music was furnished by a mixed quartet, a duet by Mr. Burket and Miss Bolenbaugh and a solo by Mr. Burket. Mrs. J. E. Reynolds gave a reading.

The Madison County W. C. T. U. Institute was held at Anderson First M. E. church May 6 and 7, with Mrs. Retta Jones as leader. The Rev. Susie Magnor conducted the opening devotions, reading II Peter, 2. Mrs. Tilman Hobson, president of Anderson union extended a very hearty welcome in her gentle, earnest manner to which Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, state vice president, responded. She said: "It seems as if we have suddenly been lifted up and let down in a new world." The state officers who were present during our meetings were Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, vice president; Mrs. Rose Pearce, recording secretary; Miss Clara Sears, treasurer; Miss Mary Woodard corresponding secretary, and Mrs. Josephine Walmer, organizer. Mrs. Cheteeen Smith, wife of the pastor of the First M. E. church, sang "Face to Face," early in the meeting. The evening was given to a debate on "Woman Suffrage," Mrs. Stanley and Mrs. Walmer speaking on the affirmative and Miss Woodard and Mrs. Jones on the negative. The merits of the arguments were decided by a rising vote of 32 to 5 in favor of the affirmative. Special music by Ladies Quartette of the Christian church was an enjoyable feature of the evening. Mrs. J. C. Black gave an excellent talk on "What Can Be Done for Temperance by Young People's Church Societies." She showed that by the enthusiasm, zeal and consecration of the leader is measured what may be done. Mrs. Walmer spoke on "Mission of the W. C. T. U. in Reaching Out and Arousing the Masses." Rev. Grafton of the Christian church had for his subject, "The Power of the Pulpit." Mrs. Pearce, "The Power of the Press;" "Training for Efficiency in Methods of Work" was a subject well handled by Miss Clara Sears. The closing number on the program was a symposium, "The March of Temperance Reform Across the Continent." The divisions: (a), Prohibition Victories in the South; (b), Passing of the Saloon in the North, How and When; (c), History and results of local option the principles involved; were excellently given by Mrs. M. F. Wood of Summitville. Rev. Densmore of Anderson and Rev. E. E. Tripper of Summitville M. E. church. It was the best institute held in Madison county. The interest and enthusiasm was great. For want of space we must omit the substances of the good speeches that were made on all subjects although to do so is very difficult.—Mrs. Elizabeth Pelle, county superintendent of Institute.

The Howard County Executive and quarterly superintendents' meeting was held at Friend's church, Greentown, May 13. An executive session was held in the morning. Plans were discussed for increasing membership and organizing new unions. In the afternoon the presentation of the object and work of the following departments by their respective county superintendents was very interesting. The discussion was helpful and inspiring. There were present about forty members of five unions.

The Whitley County Institute was held in Columbia City, April 29-30, with Mrs. Emma D. Gandy, county president in the chair, and Mrs. Rose Pearce, leader. On account of severe storms the attendance was small. The institute program was given in full and many good thoughts and suggestions were given by those on the program. Two new members for the local union were secured, also one subscriber for the Union Signal. Special music was furnished by Columbia City citizens which consisted of solo, Ladies Quartet, Male Quartet, Boys' orchestra and a chorus choir. This added much to the interest of the institute. A silver medal contest was held on the second evening. Miss Lura Fogel of Columbia City won the medal.

Esther Union Pike township, held a mass meeting at the Bethel M. E. church. Mrs. Elizabeth T. Stanley, state vice-president and lecturer, gave a recital Saturday eve, a thrilling story entitled, "Who killed Joe's Baby?" The service was both

interesting and pathetic. Sunday morning her subject was, "The Modern Jericho," taking as the basis for her remarks Luke 10, 30-35. Her address was both humorous and touching, therefore creating much interest in the work. At the close of the morning service eleven joined the W. C. T. U. Mrs. Stanley pinning the white ribbon on each of them. The subject in the evening was, "The Coming Victory." The address was well delivered to an appreciative audience. The church was beautifully decorated with white crepe paper, flags, and a few choice flowers and ferns, and just back of the speaker hung "Old Glory" with the letters W. C. T. U. on it. The offering was \$15.17. Esther Union was organized May 10, 1908, with a membership of 30. Twenty-one active and 9 honorary members. We now have 32 active and thirteen honorary members.—Grace M. Calvin.

Connersville.—For years without a W. C. T. U. efforts to organize by state officers were discouraged by residents for a decade or more. Notwithstanding this city has long been the home of Miss Margaret Dixon, who is remembered as having been identified with our state work. Mrs. Mary F. Huxtable moved to Connersville and after the work of a year she sent for Miss Mary Woodard, state corresponding secretary, and they organized April 24, 1906, a union with sixteen charter members. Mrs. Huxtable says: God had wonderfully blessed us and added to our number. We now have four active union and keep things stirring all over the county. Now have county organization with a good paid membership. Such a record surely will inspire other women who move into unorganized territory to do some genuine missionary work. No white ribboner can afford now to be inactive but must help to hasten the day of absolute victory for state-wide prohibition.

Liberty.—The W. C. T. U. presented a fine picture of Miss Frances E. Willard to the high school. Prof. Records is a great favorite with the people. He and his wife both belong to the W. C. T. U.

In the Elkhart Central Union the department of Sabbath observance has recently gained prominence under the supervision of its aggressive head, Mrs. J. E. Richards. Two special meetings are recorded, the first taking the form of an entertainment and social, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Wertz, on Friday evening, April 16. A clever invitation was given the public through the city papers which aroused the curiosity of readers. The catchy points were the "S. O." entertainment, "S. O." committee, "S. O." program, "S. O." address, "S. O." numbers, "S. O." refreshments and "S. O." offering. The "S. O." affair was a decided success. The first speaker, Attorney C. C. Raymer, recited in a most instructive manner the "Indiana Sunday Laws," and made comparisons with the laws of former years. An address by Miss Margaret Wilson, on the subject of "Sunday Social Functions," elicited the strictest attention. She reviewed the various forms of Sunday amusements and pictured the contrast between places where the Sabbath was desecrated and where it was observed. Miss Wilson reminded her hearers of the fact that the liquor dealer, the man who poses as the laboring man's best friend and who uses his influence for a wide-open Sunday for the "benefit" of the working class, is a typical agent of Sabbath breaking and a grafter for his own till—hence, the laboring man's enemy. Every argument and historical fact has proved the social craze to be the cause of the downfall of many nations. Rev. Seldon L. Roberts of Goshen, considered in a scholarly way the topic, "The Teachings of Jesus Concerning the Sabbath." Mrs. I. H. Church sang, "Oh, Sabbath Day of Rest," and Miss Luce pleased with piano selections. The program was followed by a delightful social period when refreshments were served consisting of fruit salad and whipped cream, coffee and several kinds of cake. Among the number present were twelve people from Goshen. The Sabbath Observance superintendent arranged another delightful program which was given at the home of Mrs. Ford Overlease on Friday afternoon, April 20. The meeting opened with singing, "Oh Sabbath 'Tis of Thee" and after scripture reading and prayer, an address was given by Rev. S. Griffith Buckner, pastor of the First Christian church. The arguments produced by Rev. Buckner proved that "Christians are responsible in a great measure, for much of Sabbath desecration. He said that many Christians look upon the Sabbath as a day of pious inactivity or idleness while the teachings of Jesus are just the opposite, proving that Sunday should be a day of activity in the right direction. He also gave suggestions showing how Sunday should be made a practical rest day. The key-note that Rev. Buckner left with his hearers was "Let us make Sunday a 'busy, rest' day." "Where We Are Drifting" and "Observing the Sabbath" were other subjects under consideration. A temperance reading entitled "An Old Man's Story" was touchingly rendered by Mrs. Geo. Miller. The voice solos by Miss Myrtle Moore and Mrs. Payson Schwin were both inspiring and most appropriate for the occasion. A quiz on the Sabbath Observance department was conducted which was both interesting and instructive. After singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" the meeting closed with the W. C. T. U. benediction.—Iva Wood Parker.

The Lehigh Valley Railroad Company has just suspended eight engineers for indulgence in intoxicants when off duty. It has also summoned

eighteen others to explain their presence in saloons on similar occasions. The railroad officials rightfully assume that a man who frequents drinking places when not at work is liable to take his engine with a befuddled brain, and they wisely refuse to keep men in their employ who are taking these risks. This is practical temperance regulation and a due regard for the safety of patrons.

Mrs. Amelia B. Ward of Peru writes on May 11.—Tonight's paper conveyed the startling information, that our fellow townsman J. O. Cole, the owner and manager of the Peru brewery for more than forty years, has ceased to make beer and **blown out for good and always**. We are told that on Saturday evening there was emptied into the brewery branch and the Wabash river, 70 barrels of new beer. Report says he has closed up for all time. Is not that good? Who would have thought it would come so soon. Mr. Cole was offered \$50,000 for this brewery plant only a few months ago. He couldn't then "see the handwriting on the wall". But he says he does now. The Lord be praised.

Columbus, Ohio, Messenger says: "We are not trying to put the saloon keepers out of business so much as we are trying to put ourselves out of the saloon business. The saloons do not belong to the saloon keepers. They are creatures of the law. Respectable people are sharing in the profits of the saloon keeper. The good people of Columbus wouldn't tolerate the saloons fifteen minutes were it not for the \$250,000 taxes paid by the liquor men. Yet the people of this city pay annually \$6,000,000 to get back only \$250,000. They capitalize the desires of their children for liquor to make money and lose it instead. What a spectacle it is to hear strong men say, 'We can't enforce our local option laws,' and to see them afraid of the liquor men! They need more of the spirit of their daddies of the 60's, who overthrew slavery and would not tolerate the nullification of law."

Indianapolis Frances Willard Union met with Mrs. Hathaway in her beautiful new home. The new county president, Mrs. Kinser, was present and entered into the business and social interests in a very friendly way. Every officer and superintendent present had a report of work done. Two beautiful selections concerning the life of Miss Frances Willard were read. Several persons added tributes to her beautiful character. After repeating the "Mizpah" with joined hands, dear Mrs. Scott offered prayer.—Mrs. McDermid.

Noble County—A very profitable institute was held in Noble county a few weeks ago under the auspices of Kendallville, the one local union in the county, which is worthy of special mention. After the devotional exercise, appointing of committees, conferences of officers and members, an address of welcome was given by Mrs. N. B. McPherson, followed by a question box. The Union Signal and Crusader Monthly was presented and subscriptions taken. In the evening the L. T. L. took part in the service with songs and recitations. The Baptist Male quartet sang a few selections and Mrs. Josephine Walmer gave a stirring address. The next day the following topics were discussed: "The Two-fold Mission of the W. C. T. U. Institute;" (a), Training for Efficiency in Methods of Work; (b), Reaching and Arousing the Masses. Organized Christian Work for Temperance, (a) The work of the Church Temperance Committee; (b), What can be done for Temperance by the Young People's Societies; (c), The Importance of Sunday School Quarterly Temperance Lesson; (d), Co-operation with Missionary Societies, How Opium, Rum and Cigarettes Impede Missionary Efforts; (e), The Powers of the Pulpit used aggressively against the Liquor Traffic; (f), The Christian Press Against the Brewery and Distiller. A view of the temperance wave in the South and the passing of the saloon in the north was enthusiastically received. A medal contest, the second evening, closed the institute.

The Jackson County W. C. T. U. held an institute at Brownstown. The morning was spent in a social meeting at the home of Mrs. Tovey, where dinner was served by the Brownstown W. C. T. U. The afternoon meeting was held at the Christian church. Devotional service was led by Mrs. Josephine Vermillion, Mrs. Retta Jones of Alexandria then gave an interesting and profitable talk upon "The Do Everything Policy." Dr. May of Crothersville discussed "Medical Temperance." Symposium: "The March of the Temperance Reform Across the Continent," was given by Mesdames Lewis, Carpenter and Short. In the evening Mrs. Retta Jones gave an address on "Prohibition From the Bible Standpoint." The talk was well received and as we were then in the midst of a hot local option campaign we feel that much good was done. Mrs. Jones also spoke at the Rockford M. E. church Thursday afternoon and Sunday night at Seymour Presbyterian church on Thursday night.—Dora Deppert, secretary pro tem.

Monroe County enjoyed an excellent Temperance Rally (institute) the first and second of April held in Stinesville. Our county president, Mrs. J. L. Litten was untiring in her efforts to make it a grand success, and was well rewarded. We are very happy that it could have been held in our little village, and feel that it has been a help to our local union. On account of "tiger" cases in Bloomington on those dates, several of our program were not able to be present, but others rallied to the front, and the work went on smoothly. We miss our dear Mrs. Siebenthal very much since she has been confined to her home on account of sickness, and trust that she will soon recover. The first evening Mrs. Stanley spoke to a



MISS DE ETTE WALKER

Greencastle, Ind., State President of the Indiana Loyal Temperance Legion.

Miss Walker will graduate with a large class on June 9th, from DePauw University. She is a young woman of attractive personality, with rare Christian culture and ability.

STATE LOYAL T. LEGION CONVENTION.

Dear Co-Workers:

The Fifteenth Annual Convention of the Senior Loyal Temperance Legion of Indiana, will be held at the Locust Street Methodist Church, Greencastle, Indiana, July 6-8, 1909. The main lines of the Vandalia and Big Four railroads run through Greencastle, also the Monon. There is hourly Interurban service east and west. All L. T. L. graduates are entitled to a vote in the convention and all who desire to come will be most royally welcomed and entertained. We especially invite the members and friends of the Womans Christian Temperance Union to come and help us in our efforts to spread Temperance sentiment.

Loyally,
DE ETTE WALKER,
State L. T. L. President.

full house and a very appreciative audience; there is no doubt but that her lectures made "right" votes in the coming county local option election. The song "We'll make the map all white," was sung as a solo and the audience joined in on the refrain, the song leaflets having previously been passed. Mrs. Stanley's parody, which was much more appropriate was substituted for those on the leaflets. On the second evening a gold medal contest was held. Twenty-four dollars was taken in at the door. Miss Leona Krebs was awarded the medal on "Put Yourself in His Place." The class consisted of seven young ladies and all spoke well. The other titles were: "The Soberhat," "Little Tim," "Old Soapy," "An Old Woman's Complaint," and "Who Killed Joe's Baby." We are now arranging a silver medal contest for young ladies to be held at a near-by country school house. The neighborhood is to furnish the organ, and house and to assist with the music and the proceeds will be equally divided after expenses are paid. Everything looks encouraging for a "dry" vote in the election and we feel like marching on.—Mrs. K. Hoadley, press superintendent.

Allen County—The Boston W. C. T. U.—Excellent meetings have been held all year, meetings every two (2) weeks with scarcely a break the year round. Good programs have been prepared for these meetings. Our local superintendents each having the management of one meeting in the interest of her department. These meetings have been full of interest and very profitable. An excellent Frances E. Willard memorial meeting was held. The literature superintendent meeting was of special interest as was also the one held by Sabbath Observance Supt. The last meeting in charge of Medical Temperance Supt. Mrs. Bertha Youse, will be of great benefit we hope. The different patent medicines received their just dues and were held in a good light. This is just what is needed to show the fallacy of patent medicines. Good literature on this subject was distributed. The program closing with a recitation "The Reformer Reformed." rendered in a pleasing manner by little Miss Luella Youse. A penny social was held May the first. This was very satisfactory considering the bad weather and we think of trying this form of supper again, when more of our country women can attend.—Mrs. Florence Barnhart.

Ray—A parlor meeting of the union was held with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Bohner in their beautiful country home. About seventy-five were present and enjoyed a very interesting program in charge of Mesdames Elnora and Pearl McNaughton and Blanche Hillard. The Junior Loyal Temperance Legion was represented by Misses Bessie McTaggart and Rachel Bohner, who gave musical selections and recitations. Mrs. Theodore McNaughton, county superintendent of anti-narcotics spoke with enthusiasm on the effect of cigarettes on the grow-

ing boy. Mrs. McTaggart, president of the union, spoke on the awful effects of cigarettes on an eight-year-old boy whom she knew. Mr. Alex. Thompson spoke concerning more effective laws. Rev. Smith paid tribute to the power and influence of the W. C. T. U. Mr. Rollo Thompson of the Senior L. T. L., read a splendid paper on the subject of tobacco. Miss Cora Stewart gave a recitation, Miss Bessie Kibbee pleased with solos. Miss Glen Schelley of Tremont gave a humorous reading. An anti-cigarette petition was circulated. At the close of the program refreshments were served by the hostess. Rev. Smith in a very pleasing manner made a plea for honorary members. R. C. McNaughton and Alex. Thompson both joined and Rev. Smith renewed his membership.

Jefferson County Expenses 1908.

OUR JAIL.

Jail maintenance, fuel, light, clothing etc	\$ 550.00
Supt. of rock pile and lumber	639.00
Board of prisoners	1500.00
In and out fees	100.00

Total2789.00

COURT EXPENSES.

Jury fees; nearly all liquor or intoxication cases	\$1038.20
Court Bailiffs	1200.00
Juvenile Cases	100.00
Clerk and sheriff's fees	649.35
Jurymen's meals	11.05
Defending criminals	90.00
Medical examination of prisoners	20.00
Truant officer's supplies	550.00
Truant officer	360.00

Total\$4018.60

POOR FARM.

Poor Farm maintenance	\$3000.00
Salaries	975.20
Repairs	360.60

Total\$4335.80

For support of poor in the ten townships \$1743.18
State benevolent institutions tax, insane asylum, school for feeble minded, etc...\$4498.99

GRAND TOTAL.

Jail	\$2789.00
Court	4018.60
Poor farm	4335.80
Township poor	1743.18
Benevolent institutions	4498.99
Grand Total	\$17385.57

Of that amount it is safe to say that at least one-half of it would be saved to the tax-payers, or \$10,000.

The city expenses arising from policing made necessary by saloons, court costs, etc., that will be saved since the county is dry will swell the entire saving considerably, so you can readily see that the taxes will be decreased instead of increased.

The Churubusco W. C. T. U. gave a reception in honor of the members received since September at the home of Mrs. Emma Pressler. The following program was given. Instrumental music, by Miss Marvel Smith; song "Some Glad Day," union; invocation, Mrs. Lucy Hyndman; roll call, secretary; responses, Scripture quotations by members; welcome address president of union; responses, Prof. Colburn, superintendent of Churubusco schools; duet, Mr. and Mrs. Reichelderfer; declaration of W. C. T. U. principles, Mrs. Emma Pressler; instrumental music, Miss Mary Harris; recitation, The Picture in the Cup, Miss Mary Keene; instrumental music, Miss Alta Fogel. After the program a social hour was enjoyed. The old members furnished and served refreshments to all. There were about seventy members and friends present.—Pess Supt.

Our Promoted Comrades

Mr. Webster Pressle, a devoted and loyal honorary member of the Mooresville W. C. T. U., has been promoted to the glory land. We deeply feel our loss and extend our deepest sympathy to his bereaved wife, Mrs. Julia Pressle.

Mrs. Susan Sherman Warner, died at her home in Crown Point in her 82nd year. Mrs. Warner was the oldest member of the W. C. T. U. in Crown Point. Her life on earth had been one of helpfulness to others and loving service to Christ. She was a neighbor whose kind acts endeared her to the community, while her intellectual gifts made her a leader. She was buried from the M. E. church on Friday, May 7, 1909.—Mrs. Elizabeth Glover.

Columbia City union lost a faithful member when Mrs. M. J. Meeks was promoted to her heavenly home. She was always an earnest worker in the various departments of temperance work. She was a woman of strong convictions and fearless in proclaiming them. True to her convictions, she never wavered, but in her modest way, added the most loyal support. Loved by every member, her vacant place brings deep grief to her co-workers. She leaves with us a rich legacy of good works and noble principles. We rejoice that she lived to see the great substantial temperance wave sweep over the world.—Mrs. H. F. Lancaster, Press Supt.

THE MESSAGE.

Miss Myrtle Kyger

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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MRS. CORNELIA TEMPLETON JEWETT.

The Illinois Woman's Press association will have at its head for the ensuing year a real, live managing editor. Mrs. Cornelia Templeton Jewett of Evanston, managing editor of the Union Signal, the official organ of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and the most widely circulated weekly paper owned and published exclusively by women, was elected president of the association at the annual meeting in the Crerar library on Thursday. Mrs. Jewett began her career at a compositor's case on a country newspaper in Wisconsin.—Chicago Daily Tribune, Saturday, June 5, 1909.

INDIANA.

"Dry" and "Wet" Conditions.

Local option elections have been held in seventy-four counties. Of these sixty-two voted "dry" and twelve went "wet." Of the remaining eighteen counties in the state, eight—Brown, Dekalb, Johnson, Scott, Steuben, Union, Warren and Wells—are "dry" by remonstrance, and ten—Marion, Lake, St. Joseph, Allen, Vigo, Knox, Dearborn, Dubois, Perry and Vanderburg—are "wet." These "wet" counties contain the largest cities of the state—Indianapolis, Evansville, Ft. Wayne, Terre Haute, South Bend—all brewery and saloon strongholds.

The following table shows the result of the elections held in the state and the number of saloons affected:

Counties "Wet" by Vote.

Counties and Dates of Elections.	Majority.	Saloons Affected.
Wayne, February 5.....	751	52
Cass, April 6	108	64
Blackford, April 6	134	13
Tippecanoe, April 30	793	102
Spencer, May 4	43	27
Posey, May 7	1,451	52
Franklin, May 24	439	50
Floyd, May 27	1,875	106
Laporte, May 27	4,577	126
Ripley, May 29	896	47
Porter, June 3	300	6
Clark, June 11	995	60

"Wet" Counties Yet to Vote.

Allen, Dearborn, Dubois, Lake, Knox, Marion, Perry, St. Joseph, Vanderburg, Vigo.

Counties "Dry" by Vote.

Counties and Dates of Elections.	Majority.	Saloons Voted out.
Wabash, December 29	889	22
Lawrence, December 29	1,505	21
Pike, December 31	884	1
Hamilton, January 26	2,461	18
Putnam, January 26	1,552	8
Decatur, January 26	1,708	29
Tipton, January 26	1,581	4
Noble, January 29	692	25
Randolph, January 29	2,470	2
Parke, February 2	2,060	14
Huntington, February 2	1,660	9
Switzerland, February 2	900	3
Clinton, February 9	2,084	39
Daviess, February 23	1,357	39
Grant, February 23	2,183	57
Howard, February 23	1,433	27
Newton, February 23	432	2
Adams, February 23	1,044	18
Morgan, February 24	1,055	..
Hendricks, February 25	777	3
Fountain, February 25	2,005	32

Fayette, February 25	851	18
Carroll, February 26	1,942	7
Gibson, February 26	1,074	9
Rush, February 27	2,016	16
Sullivan, March 3	1,841	..
Jay, March 3	8,809	21
Marshall, March 4	1,164	13
Whitley, March 5	1,150	13
Hancock, March 5	1,302	12
Shelby, March 6	745	17
Miami, March 16	1,066	43
Benton, March 23	882	21
Montgomery, March 23	2,803	5
Greene, March 23	2,647	29
Ohio, March 24	33	4
Elkhart, March 25	879	43
Orange, March 25	745	..
Bartholomew, March 30	783	19
Jennings, March 30	520	13
Vermillion, March 30	285	43
Henry, March 31	2,588	..
Jackson, April 26	362	25
White, April 26	1,435	2
Delaware, April 27	2,956	82
Kosciusko, April 29	2,333	..
Starke, April 29	84	17
Washington, April 30	1,296	..
Jefferson, April 30	106	36
Martin, April 30	399	8
Jasper, May 1	595	..
Clay, May 4	2,203	..
Pulaski, May 4	400	..
Fulton, May 6	1,597	..
Monroe, May 25	419	..
Madison, May 26	1,193	107
Owen, May 26	1,207	..
Crawford, May 26	773	..
Harrison, May 27	143	4
Boone, June 1	2,442	..
Lagrange, June 8	236	..
Warrick, June 17	218	19
	77,867	1019



MRS. G. E. DENNY,
Madison, Ind., State Supt. Medical Temperance.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGIONERS.

TO GREENCASTLE, JULY 6TH!!

Interurban round trip fare from Indianapolis to Greencastle, \$1.30 on regular cars.

GREENCASTLE is forty miles south west of Indianapolis, about mid-way between Terre Haute and Indianapolis.

MRS. MARY WEBB, Chairman of Entertainment Committee. Send names of delegates immediately. If delegates have preference concerning with whom they will room, state that also.

STATE SUPERINTENDENTS.

Dear Sisters: At the State Executive in April it was decided that the State Superintendents report must be in the hands of our State Recording Secretary by September 20th. I wish to call your attention to The Recommendations from the Board of Superintendents which were accepted at our last convention. They are found on page 23 in State minutes, and are of great importance to YOU. Read them and abide by them.

GERTRUDE FULTON,
Sec'y Board of Supts.
Portland, Ind.

THE MISSION OF THE FLOWERS.

God sends the flowers
To brighten the hours
That would be filled with pain.
They tell of the love
Of our Father above,
And bring to us Heavenly gain.
Oft we have heard,
From God's own Word,
How He cares for the flowers,
Sends sun and rain
That strength they may gain,
And grow through light and showers.

The lilies white
So pure and bright,
Furnished lessons long ago.
Our Saviour taught
The truths they brought,
When He walked here below.

We welcome spring,
For it will bring
The flowers to us once more.
We remember then
God's promise again:
To care for us as before.

But there are some,
Who can not come
Out in the fields so fair.
Like birds in a cage,
They are kept in by age,
Or affliction binds them there.

Many, who roam
Away from home
Are cheered by gifts of flowers.
Memories they bring,
That softly cling,
Reminders of childhood's hours.

Oh, do not tarry!
But let us carry
The flowers on their mission.
Like sunbeams bright,
They scatter light,
To sad hearts bring a vision.
Ada E. Cox, Sheridan, Ind.

CLOSES ON SUNDAY.

PITTSBURG, Pa., May 9.—For the first time in its history the National Tube Works of McKeesport closed today, giving 1,200 men a Sunday with their families. This step Superintendent W. A. Cornelius of the National plant declares is the forerunner of a movement which before it ends, will close on Sunday every property of the United States Steel Corporation, of which the National Tube Works is a component part, on Sunday.

The step incidentally is the direct result of the acquirement of religion recently by Superintendent Cornelius. For years the superintendent has been a man whose only thought in life was business and he almost lived at the works. Recently he became a regular church member and it is declared that his minister persuaded him to see the head officials of the Steel Corporation and require them to close all their plants on Sundays.

Step for Civic Righteousness.

Last week Mr. Cornelius went to New York, where he had a conference with the high officials of the corporation, with the result that he returned home with the Sunday-closing order in his pocket.

"This," said Mr. Cornelius today, "is simply another step in the battle for civic righteousness going on all over the country and in which I am interested."

At 6 o'clock this morning several watchmen were stationed at the \$10,000,000 plant of the National Tube Company, with instructions to arrest any employe who attempted to desecrate the Sabbath by working, and to register a complaint against him for trespassing.

It is estimated that the Sunday closing law will cost the Steel Corporation, at the McKeesport plant alone, at least \$30,000 each Sunday, and it will cost the men on an average of \$3.00 a day each. However, the men are only too willing to stand the financial loss for the sake of the holiday.

The general Sunday closing order which will affect all the plants of the corporation probably will be issued this week.—Indianapolis News.

Mrs. Elizabeth Houghton of Richmond, our dear state evangelist, is passing through deep waters. Her husband, Dr. Houghton, died on June 4th after a long and painful illness. Dr. Houghton was prominent in the medical profession for many years. In his death the W. C. T. U. and the great temperance reform has lost a valuable friend and helper. The sympathy of the white ribbon sisterhood of Indiana is extended to Mrs. Houghton, our sweet spirited loving comrade, in these days of bereavement.

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Mexico has a national W. C. T. U. organized by Mrs. Nelle G. Burger, world's representative. Miss Effa M. Dunmore pres., and Mrs. Nellie O'Bierne vice pres.

Flower Mission. Day at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition was conducted by the West Washington W. C. T. U. One thousand yards of white ribbon was used on the text cards and flowers.

The Society for the Study of Alcohol and other narcotics held its annual meeting at Atlantic City, June 7 to 10, during the session of the American Medical Ass'n. Dr. T. A. McNicholl, of New York City read a paper on "Alcohol and School Children," aroused the most interest of the many excellent papers read.

Mrs. Rose Pearce, State Recording Secretary's address is changed from Cayuga to Darlington.

Attend the State convention of the Loyal Temperance Legion at Greencastle, July 6, 7, 8, 9. Parents, go and take your young son and daughter. Board can be secured at reasonable rates for all who are not delegates.

Parents, the investment that you make in the character of your son or daughter will yield a paying per cent. Arrange to take your young son or daughter to Greencastle to attend the State Loyal Temperance Legion convention July 6, 7, 8, 9.

De Pauw University is located at Greencastle. Parents who are thinking of sending their young sons or daughters to De Pauw this Fall should take them to Greencastle to attend the State Loyal Temperance Legion convention.

The De Pauw summer school will be in session. This will give parents and young people the opportunity to meet Pres. Francis McConnell and members of the faculty, also to make such investigation concerning the school as may be desired.

LITERATURE.

For years The Message has urged the Local Unions of Indiana to try and distribute our Department leaflets. Unions that have spent judiciously as much as five dollars in a year for such literature and had it wisely distributed have been "very much alive."

Unions whose membership read The Union Signal (our National official organ), and distribute much literature are the Unions that are doing the best and most permanent work.

Hereunto is attached a list of addresses where good literature can be secured at cheap prices. If individual members desire to help the temperance cause they can do so by getting a few hundred leaflets and having them distributed.

LOCAL OPTION.

Madison County. Praise God from whom all blessings flow,—Madison County voted "dry" on May 26. The vote will put out of business 107 saloons. On August 24, the entire city and county will see the last dram shop closed. The traffic in boys and girls will cease—the traffic of blood—the destroyer of homes—the breaker of hearts, and so many vices we dare not mention.

The whole county is rejoicing with us in this God-given victory. The people organized and worked and prayed, night and day. The women stood shoulder to shoulder to the help of the Lord against the mighty. On Tuesday one week before the election, the W. C. T. U. called a "Union Prayer Service." Every church responded. A leader was appointed for each hour. The meet-

ing was opened at 6 a. m. and was continued with unabated interest until 9 p. m. with the large auditorium full of interested prayerful people. On Tuesday, the day before the election, another prayer service was held from 2 until 5 in the afternoon. A most delightful waiting on the Lord was this meeting, held at the Central Christian Church. On Wednesday morning election day, it was raining now and then, the clouds would rift and one could almost see the sun shine. Although the clouds dripped all day long, God gave us a "dry victory."

On Saturday afternoon before the election occurred one of the most imposing demonstrations the city of Anderson ever witnessed. A parade three miles long marched through the streets, carrying banners, with the inscriptions "Saloons Must Go," "In the Balance"—little children on one side of a pair of large scales, and a beer keg on the other. Of course the children overbalanced. "Choosing His Company,"—a young man looking on a company of young men, some reading, and some playing cards and drinking. And a carriage with a banner on the outside, "The Crusade Mothers," was among the impressive and interesting sights. It took one hour and a quarter for this procession, composed of church societies, Sunday schools, and the W. C. T. U. to pass one point. Perkinsville and Lapel sent large delegations—just overflowing with enthusiasm. Bands, and banners, helped to make this great pageant under the leadership of our King Emmanuel.

On the evening of the 26th, after the victory was assured, the Captain of the Salvation Army, marched through the streets, with drums and Old Glory, waiving so proudly, followed by a host of men, real voters, singing "Glory, Glory Halleluyah, Our God is Marching On."

I wish that I could have given a more minute description of this wonderful campaign for "God and Home, and Native Land," but suffice it to say, the enthusiasm, earnestness and devotion has never been equalled in Madison county. Alexandria and Elwood both had great demonstrations. I want to say that Mrs. Vayhinger, our own beloved W. C. T. U. State President, and a Mrs. Warner of Muncie, came on Sunday afternoon and addressed a mass meeting of women, and on the following Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Vayhinger returned and organized the women, and from that time on day and night, interest never abated until the polls closed at 6 o'clock p. m. May 26—and victory came. And in His name, His banner o'er us we are marching on, until every brewery, every distillery and every dram shop is swept from our own beloved America.

(MRS.) MARY C. LEIB.

June 7, 1909.

Anderson, Ind.

Posey County. Mrs. Kroft spoke at a parlor meeting in Poseyville in afternoon of May 4, and in the evening at the M. E. Church to a large audience. May 5 Mrs. Kroft spoke in the evening at the M. E. Church at New Harmony. On account of a heavy downpour of rain the audience was not very large. Mrs. Kroft's work in Posey County was appreciated very much. Notwithstanding the efforts of the Temperance forces they were defeated and the county went "wet."

Posey County. Mrs. Lon Rogers, of Poseyville, writes, "We feel a little blue over the election. Posey County went 'wet' by 1,450 majority, so I feel like our plans were a failure, but we are going right on and expect eventually to win. I think our temperance workers in Posey were a little too quiet. Our speakers were Rev. Ashby of Mt. Vernon, Rev. Shumaker and Rev. Wm. Biddle of Princeton, Mr. Frank Werking of Mt. Vernon and Dr. Gaung. Mrs. Kroft was brought into the county and spoke at Mt. Vernon, Poseyville, Griffin and New Harmony. I think there was very little if any, literature used in the county campaign. Poseyville W. C. T. U. served free lunch on election day to all voters."

Lawrence County W. C. T. U., as an organization had little to do with our victory. The good men at the head of the Temperance forces thought that a "still hunt" was the thing needed for Lawrence County, and it proved to be successful as our majority of 1,500 bears witness. There was only one mass meeting held. On Sunday afternoon previous to the election all of our ministers took part, and Mrs. W. G. Batt gave her reading that she gave at state convention when she won the diamond medal. There was a committee of men appointed to visit and talk privately with every voter in each township of the county about whom there was a question of a doubt. The only thing that made us apprehensive, was that so many Republicans were "sore" over Watson's defeat and had vowed that the local option was a Democratic move that they would not support it, etc., etc. It proved however in our case to be all talk and sensible men did not listen to it.—Mrs. J. R. Mathes.

STATE TRUSTEES MEETING AT INDIANAPOLIS.

The Board of Trustees met at the Bertha Ballard June 15, 1909.

Much business was brought forward and plans made for the continued advancement of the general work.

The Richmond Yearly Meeting of Friends will this year be held earlier than usual, and in view of this fact, it was decided that Indiana W. C. T. U. State convention meet October 1st to 5th.

This will give the National Delegates more time to make their preparations for attending the National Convention and will also give the State officers the much needed extra time to finish up the business which follows the State convention.

Muncie is the place of meeting for 1909 and the convention church will be High Street M. E. Convention will open at 9 a. m. October 1st.

Executive meeting will be held in same church at 7:30 p. m. September 30.

County Presidents are urged to reach Muncie on the afternoon of the latter date, that they may be assigned their places of entertainment and be on hand to attend the first executive meeting. It is desired by all that the convention of 1909 shall be the best ever held in Indiana.

We earnestly ask the co-operation and help of all the women in the State, as only by united effort can success be assured.

Plans were made for special convention music and this year special attention and time will be given to the children's work.

Mrs. Vayhinger and Miss Sears were in Muncie on June 14, to confer with, and help the women in making their plans, and Miss Sears will return and present the work in some of the churches. A more detailed report of Convention Program will be given at a later date.

The report from Hadley Industrial School was most encouraging. The crops on the farm are looking fine, the garden promises a plentiful supply of vegetables for summer and winter use, and there will be a fairly good crop of some kinds of fruit. What is needed now is that the Unions over the state will remember the school by sending in their cash gifts that the current expenses may be met.

We are all rejoicing in the expected return of business prosperity, and in the promise of an abundant harvest of all kinds.

Shall we not remember the School and as a thank offering send a gift?

ROSE PEARCE,
State Recording Secretary.

Darlington, Ind.

ANTI-NARCOTIC DEPARTMENT.

INTEREST THE YOUNG PEOPLE.

Hold an "Anti-Cigaret" Social Especially for the YOUNG PEOPLE.

Read and work out the following suggestions:

By being tactful you will be able to secure one of the largest, best, most influential homes in your town in which to have the meeting. Do not let every one know that it is to be an "anti-Cigaret" social, but call it an "A. C." social. Remember to carry out the Anti-Cigaret idea wherever possible.

On round pieces of white paper 4, 5 or 6 inches in diameter, write the following invitation: "You are cordially invited to attend the 'A. C.' social given under the auspices of the 'A. C.' department of the W. C. T. U. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. ———, St. ———, evening at 7:30 o'clock. An 'A. C.' program will be rendered, 'A. C.' refreshments served, and an 'A. C.' collection taken."

Be sure and advertise thoroughly in the papers. Ask a pretty writer to assist you and send out 75 or 100 or as many of these invitations as you think best, ten days before the time for social. These invitations are to be sent to adults whom you think would be most likely to attend.

Decorate the rooms with white or white and brown in imitation of the cigaret. Bunting, crepe paper, paper bells and flowers may be used. Try to have one room prettily decorated if not all.

Select two or three congenial young ladies to act on the reception committee—they to be dressed in white or white and brown.

Ask some ribbon dealer to donate 10 yards of white silk ribbon one-half inch wide. If one store would not give you 10 yards, perhaps two would give you five yards apiece. Then get the letters "A. C." printed in brown ink on this ribbon so that you can cut it into two inch lengths. It would be very nice to pin these on the guests as they arrive and they can keep them as souvenirs. While the guests are arriving it might be well to have good instrumental music.

Before the program suppose you have one game. Have a time-keeper and give ten minutes to see who can make the largest number of words from the letters found in the word, "Anti-Cigaret." For instance—rat, tie, rag, gate, eat, tag, cigar, etc. A white stick of candy might be given as a prize. Have plenty of paper and pencils and everything in readiness.

The Anti-Narcotic superintendent or the local president, should be in charge of the following program:

1, Instrumental music; 2, Scriptural reading; 3, Prayer; 4, Recitation; 5, paper—"Cigarets;" 6, "The Effect of Cigarets Upon School Work;" 7, Music; 8, "The Evils of the Cigaret;" 9, Recitation; 10, "The Requirements of the Anti-Cigaret Law, its Weak Points, How Strengthen it, how Enforce it;" 11, "The Purpose of the Anti-Narcotic Dept. of the L. T. L.;" 12, Song—"The Cigaret Must Go;" 13, Benediction.

Send ten cents to Ruby L. Gilbert, 131-137 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill., for the Anti-Cigaret speaker and you will find some splendid recitations. Ask some doctor to read a five minutes paper on "Cigarets." Ask the Supt. of schools or some teacher to give a five minute talk on No. 6. Ask a minister to give a ten minute talk on No.

THE MESSAGE

The World's W. C. T. U. convention, 1910, will be held June 4 to 11, in Glasgow, Scotland.

July 4th will be celebrated with fire works and the results will no doubt be a long list of "causalities." W. C. T. U. homes should provide attractions for the children. Mothers and sisters who desire to make a change can do so if they have sufficient strength of character. Mothers who yield to children's entreaties against their best judgment always have cause for regret. With mother and father a little picnic, a fishing party or a bathing party will be enjoyed by all normal children. Few parents give much of their time to their children. A "Fourth" spent with the children without fireworks can be made delightful and happy.

L. T. L. STATE CONVENTION.

(Greencastle, July 6, 7, 8, 9.)

We are going to have the grandest convention in the history of Indiana L. T. L., at Greencastle this year. Everybody is coming! You can not afford to miss it. We want every county whether it has a legion or not, to send at least on W. C. T. U. representative. The L. T. L. superintendents appointed by the W. C. T. U. all over Indiana are members of our executive committee and they should all be present. We have a place on the program for you. We want each county to sound a note of victory or give some demonstration as was done in the W. C. T. U. convention. Be sure to send your superintendent. You think we are small. Just come and see what we can do—then watch the L. T. L.'s spring up next year. Your presence will mean inspiration and help to us.

Our program will be of unusual interest. We expect to have with us such men as Dr. McConnell, president of De Pauw University, Senator Tilden, Ex-Senator Moore, also women of prominence, Mrs. Martha T. Helm, of Japan, widow of the late Mr. Verling Helm, Miss Margaret Wintinger, National L. T. L. Secretary, and some of our State W. C. T. U. officers will be at the convention too.

The fare from Indianapolis to Greencastle is \$1.30 round trip, via interurban and about 30 cents more via Vandalia or Big Four. The interurban is within two blocks of the convention church. Free entertainment will be furnished to all visitors. Send names at once to Mrs. Mary G. Webb, 110 Hanna St. Loyal, Ind.

BETHENA VANDAMENT,
Pres. Greencastle, L. T. L.

Posey County Institute was held at the M. E. church Mt. Vernon, May 3rd, with Mrs. Ella Kroft leader. A conference of officers and members with County President was held, a review was given of work mapped out by national, state and county unions, and it was planned for pushing the work and doing everything possible in department and general temperance work. In the afternoon Mrs. R. Sarles president of Mt. Vernon union "welcomed" the convention. A very interesting paper was read on the effect of alcohol on the human system by Mrs. Horace Byrd. Mrs. T. Ketchall of Poseyville read a paper on the need of a Law concerning the shipment of liquor into prohibition territory, which was very instructive. Symposium topic—the March of the Temperance Reform Across the Continent, by Rev. McFarland. Mr. Frank Werking, Revs. Ashby and Dr. Welch of Mt. Vernon followed by a talk on the general work of the W. C. T. U. by the teacher, Mrs. Kroft. After adjournment the ladies of Mt. Vernon union served cream and cake to all present. In the evening Mrs. Kroft delivered a splendid address which was timely and convincing. For all the meetings there was excellent music. Miss Inez Williams sang in the afternoon and in the evening Prof. Brugeman of Mt. Vernon gave a fine violin selection and the Ladies Quartette pleased the audience with their singing. The members of the quartette are Mesdames McFarland and McElhanney, and the Misses Cook and Krutzing. A reading by Miss Brown was greatly enjoyed. Posey county white ribboners are brave and true. Some of the best people in the world live in this garden spot of Indiana, but just now the curse of the liquor traffic is upon us. God will give us the victory some day. We will work and wait.

Indianapolis, Meridian W. C. T. U.—President's day was observed by our union, June 2nd. All past presidents and presidents of the various unions of the county were special guests. Those who were present enjoyed an excellent program. Mrs. A. J. Clark read an exceptionally fine paper. The facts were gleaned from personal experiences. She presented the subject of Local Option and kindred subjects in a comprehensive manner. Each past president responded to roll call with a thought from her experiences as president of a growing union. Five new names were presented by Mrs. Heath, making a total of sixteen names with their dollar dues as new members by Mrs. Heath, this year. Mrs. Reynold's completed arrangements for going to the workhouse, Flower Mission Day, June 9th. Mrs. Arthur Baxter as hostess assisted by the visiting committee served cream and cake. July 7th, Mrs. Mary Tarlton, 2115 College ave., will be hostess for our next guest meeting. All are cordially invited to all meetings.

Later—Flower Mission day observed by Meridian union going to workhouse and City hospital, June 9th and distributed 350 bouquets and scripture cards. About forty participated and one new member secured.

NETTIE COHEN,

Press Supt.

The Madison W. C. T. U. is at present in a flourishing condition. A contest for an increased membership ending June 8th, resulted as follows: Twenty new members for side A and forty-one for side B, making in all sixty-one accessions. The entire enrollment is now two hundred regular members and twenty-seven honorary members, and the outlook for the success in its work for the coming year is truly promising.

The LaFayette W. C. T. U. annual memorial service was held Sunday afternoon, June 6th, at the Second Presbyterian church and was largely attended. The principal address was made by Mrs. Ella Stewart, of Chicago, and she spoke on "Principles for Which Helen M. Gougar Most Worked." She dwelt mainly upon the work that women have accomplished within the past few centuries and paid a fitting tribute to the memory of Mrs. Gougar, who, she said, had been a potent factor in the uplifting of womankind. She said that although Mrs. Gougar is gone, still her influence remains and that it was largely through her efforts that woman had gained the right to be designated as a free American citizen. Mrs. Stewart discussed woman suffrage and the influence for good that it would bring to the American republic. She said that woman's ideals are lofty and that her vote would tend to make governmental conditions likewise.

Tippecanoe County—The Frances Willard W. C. T. U. held a delightful reception at the home of Rev. and Mrs. O. B. Rippetoe on Congress street, in honor of its new members being fourteen in number. There was a large attendance nearly all the members of the union being present. During the evening the following program was given: Song, by the members; prayer, Rev. Rippetoe; address, County President Mrs. Budge; vocal solo, Miss Jester; piano duet, Miss Brand and Mrs. McCarthy; reading, Miss Lois Jackman; vocal solo, Horace Kurtz. At the conclusion of the program, ice cream and cake was served. The annual flower mission meeting of the LaFayette W. C. T. U. was held with Mrs. Lyda Grove of Elizabeth street, and was a most interesting and enjoyable affair. Miss Eliza Baker presided and the devotional service was led by Mrs. Arthur L. Green. Mrs. C. C. Robinson read an excellent paper. At the close of the program a social hour was enjoyed and refreshments were served. The many flowers brought by the members were made into bouquets and sent to the sick. The death of Mrs. Nancy C. Marks, occurred May 21, at the family residence, 1001 Salem street. Mrs. Marks was a pioneer member of St. Paul's M. E. church and was a very active worker in all of its organizations until ill health prevented. She was a member of the Woman's Relief Corps and for the past two years had been a member of Central W. C. T. U. Although unable to be with us much, she was a strong advocate of the temperance cause. She was a refined and accomplished woman and her gracious manner won her many true friends. She was greatly devoted to her home and family.

Warrick County.—It is with a glad heart we tell our dear sisters of the victory here last Thursday. With a dry majority of 218 we invite the saloons to leave our little city. June 17 will be a day long remembered in Boonville. While the men voted the women prayed. Beginning at 6 a. m., with a different leader every hour until 6 p. m. the women of Boonville met at the Presbyterian church in an all day prayer-meeting. Never in the history of the town were Christian women so united and earnest as they have been in this campaign against King Alcohol. Never were such earnest prayers sent to God asking deliverance from this curse. The women have been quite a factor in the fight. They organized themselves and appointed ladies to train the children and teach them temperance songs. Met together and made banners, with appropriate mottoes and the evening before the election marched through the streets in a grand parade; marching to the court house square where a program of song and recitation was rendered by the children, after which the men were invited to listen to an excellent address by Mr. Barney, a state worker from Indianapolis. This exercise concluded the campaign. The election went off quietly, with very little disturbance. When the results seemed so encouraging the ladies agreed to come to the church in the evening for a praise meeting, and such a meeting! Praises were sung, prayed and shouted, and God given the glory for victory.—Mrs. Robt. Wilkinson, Press Cor.

Spencer W. C. T. U. held a meeting at the home of Mrs. Emma Morgan. Subject, "Why do boys go wrong?" Leader Mrs. Dr. Rice. Subject was well handled. Many of the mothers joined in the discussion which followed and very much interest in the subject was manifested. One mother's experience was that she was left to fight life's battles alone, when her baby and only boy was a few months old. She assumed the whole responsibility of rearing her boy for God's glory. Her account of seventeen years' experience was given with trembling voice and wet eyes. It stirred and inspired others to try harder to be true mothers. Our meeting was indeed good. As a union we are not coming up to our aspirations in work but our members are earnest, good Christian women, recognized as such by the town of

Spencer—some times in eulogy and some times in objections to our work. God bless the white-ribbon band of this nation. Our own pastor of the M. E. church, Rev. Thomas, gives the W. C. T. U. much credit for the reform that is taking place at this time. He says that he has voted for Prohibition for twenty-five years. He comes here from Missouri. A God-given man to Spencer—he is fearless in presenting the truth.

Dearborn County Institute was held this year in Aurora, Mrs. Retta Jones leader. Each local union in the county was represented by delegates who brought good reports of work done during the last half year. Mrs. Jones proved a very efficient and pleasing leader. The gold medal contest was fairly well attended. There were seven contestants, the medal being awarded to Miss Mary Mason of Guilford, on "The Bridal Wine Cup." There was an increase in attendance and interest the second day. Several gentlemen from different parts of the county were on the program and added materially to the success of the institute. Six members were gained for Aurora union. Mrs. Jones will return to our county for a week's work beginning June 17.

Moore's Hill union went to the county asylum for the poor on Sunday, June 6, taking with them ice cream and cake for the inmates. They were accompanied by the M. E. minister, Rev. D. P. Holt, who conducted religious services on the lawn.—(Mrs.) A. E. Rynerson, Co. Press Supt.

Mrs. Kathryn Wert Holler of South Bend, state superintendent of Sabbath Observance, goes before many Christian organizations with a chart talk on her department and a strong plea for the united aggressive work of Christians against the desecration of the Sabbath day. Special attention should be given this most important subject by every organization which claims to be Christian. What are we doing? Our State must be covered with copies of our Sunday laws and leaflets on the subject of Sabbath Observance. Every woman who has a conviction concerning God's commandment for the Sabbath should buy and distribute leaflets, get sermons preached or arrange special meetings.

Westfield Union observed Flower Mission Day by nine ladies visiting the jail at Noblesville in which three men are now confined, two of them on account of drink. Scripture reading, prayer and song were offered after which they were given flowers. From there they went to the county poor farm. There were 22 women and twenty-three men as inmates. A short religious service was held and then baskets of flowers were given. This was a bright day for the women here. One remarked that it was on Monday one year Tuesday the next and Wednesday this year when they received flowers. Thus showing that they remembered the days, and telling us to be sure and come next year, which would be on Thursday. We were shown over the institution by the inmates; who took great pride in showing their clean rooms. The next day we had a meeting with a program at the home of Mattie Kellum, then visited the Indiana Receiving Home for Children, where we were given a warm welcome by the matron. The children sang songs and Mrs. Minerva Hubbard spoke words of comfort and cheer to these little ones whose lives have been so dreary. The sick in our town were also remembered by visits and flowers.—Ella Briles.

Seymour.—Mrs. L. C. Van Horn writes that the president, Mrs. Paffenberger, has been seriously ill and is in the hospital.

Meridian Union (Indianapolis) observed Flower Mission Day distributing flowers and Scripture text cards at the workhouse and city hospital. At the workhouse the religious service was led by Mr. Huston, of the Wheeler Rescue Mission, with Mrs. Knode at the organ. After a song service in which the men heartily participated, Mrs. Eliza Davis read the XXXIVth Psalm and offered an earnest prayer for the salvation of these men. Rev. C. L. Harper, pastor of St. Paul's M. E. Church, N. Indianapolis, made an address on the theme, "A Rose to the Living." At the conclusion of this address Rev. Harper exhibited a large map of Indiana showing the wet and dry territory. Reference to the dry portions of the state elicited hearty applause from the men. Miss Florence Sayer and Miss Mabel Brown then sang "My Lord and I." This was followed by a talk on the "Life of Jennie Cassaday," by Mrs. Martha Gipe. "All Around the World" was sung and a closing prayer offered by Mrs. Dowler of the Rescue Mission. 41 ladies were present at the service, several from the Esther Union came laden with beautiful flowers. After the service at the workhouse a number of women distributed flowers and text cards at the city hospital. In all, 350 bouquets and 275 text cards were distributed with the prayer that some heart might be cheered and some life be made better by this mission of love.—Ella D. Oakes, Sec.

Greensburg.—A party of twelve members and friends of the Greensburg Union accompanied by our efficient county president, Miss Mary Gray, visited Letts Corner on the evening of May 22, for the double purpose of holding an oratorical medal contest and organizing a new union. A splendid contest was held by a class of five girls. The medal was awarded to Miss Rowena Davis of Westport. A union of eight members was organized, and a full set of officers elected. For this Decatur county rejoices.—(Mrs.) Nettie T. Parker.

THE MESSAGE

8. Ask a lawyer to speak 15 minutes on No. 10. The L. T. L. leader, superintendent or some well informed person give five minutes on No. 11. A chorus of boys could sing spiritedly—"The Cigaret Must Go." This song can be secured from Mrs. Stella B. Irvine, 115 Walnut St., Riverside, Cal., for 2 cents a copy.

At close of program take collection, then pass paper and pencils and give five minutes to see who can write the greatest number of words containing the letters a c. Now for refreshments remember to carry out the Anti-Cigaret idea. Make round napkins 12 inches in diameter from plain wrapping manilla paper. Paste on each napkin one or more items on the cigaret. These can be found in the "Crusader Monthly." Let the waiters wear white aprons and caps trimmed with brown ribbon. Serve coffee, cocoa or milk, round sandwiches, pickles, and small round cakes. You might serve coffee or cocoa and round white wafers and round brown ginger snaps. W. C. T. U. members will be glad to furnish refreshments. Send to Miss Gilbert for some of the best leaflets, wrap them in white tissue paper, tie with brown baby ribbon and give each guest a roll as they are leaving. Just before serving refreshments it would be a good time to ask every one to sign the Anti-Cigaret and Anti-Tobacco pledges.

Dear Sisters: Now that it is vacation time for many of our young people, let us grasp the golden opportunity, and try to interest them in this great department. Please hold an "Anti-Cigaret" social and send me an account of it. Most sincerely,

IWA WOOD PARKER, State Supt.
Elkhart, Ind.

REPORT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

Superintendents and local presidents be sure and give these questions special attention:
Give Number of Local Superintendents.....
How many special Dep't Meetings held?.....
How many pages of Department literature have been used?

Have you Physical Education in the schools?....
What is the sentiment of your community on this question in regard to a compulsory State Law for Public Schools?

Please mail such report filled out by September 15, to the State Superintendent, Mrs. C. C. Thomas, 3426 S. Boots St., Marion, Ind.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP.

My Dear Superintendents, I wish to remind you of the importance of getting ready for the final report for the year, which must reach me by the 15th of September. I will send out to you right soon the report blanks, with a little pamphlet containing the National report of our Department furnished me by our National Superintendent, with a desire that it may be placed in the hands of every superintendent of this Department in the state. Will the county presidents who have no county superintendents of C. C., please take the responsibility of reporting to me work done. I hope you have used the report blank printed in my "Plan of Work," sent to you early in the year, and that a full report by that means will be furnished. With the great awakening along the line of this department I desire and expect a splendid report, so you see I have a well grounded Hope. Faithfully yours,

GERTRUDE FULTON,
State Supt. C. C.
422 East Main St., Portland, Ind.

PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

Dear Co-Workers: I hope you are keeping record of meetings held in the interests of Peace. Whether they be public or social meetings; and that you are teaching peace to the children, through the Loyal Legion, and through Sabbath and public school exercises. And ask your pastors to preach for peace now and then.

In the Messenger of Peace for June you may read Miss Anna B. Eckstein's account of her Peace Petition; and I hope—or wish I could hope—that every county in Indiana would sign and send to her at least one petition blank. A letter with directions and explanation, accompanies the petition. Again, I would urge that superintendents in each Union take and read the Messenger of Peace. It will bring you in close touch with the work, and will many times over pay the small cost of the paper.

We have duly celebrated the 18th of May, Hague Peace Day. Now I wish to give you the suggestions of a sister-worker in Maine, which may be helpful to us:

"Oppose the movement to put rifle shooting into schools. No nation should tax its people to teach its boys the art of killing. Teach the boys and girls to make friends rather than to kill supposed enemies. Do not allow toy guns or soldiers, nor playing at killing. Get your neighborhood to redeem the Fourth of July. Substitute beautiful pageants for dangerous sports, and courtly entertainment for lawlessness." Last year we expended on army, navy and pensions more than two-thirds of our government appropriations. Suppose even one-half of this two-thirds had been expended in national improvements—good roads, school buildings, homes for the worthy poor, and such institutions, how vastly better off would our whole country be. Let us get the people to "think on these things." Yours for the best.

H. LAVINIA BAILY, Supt.
Richmond, Ind.



MISS IDA MIX,
Kokomo, Ind., State Sec'y Loyal Tem. Legion.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

My Dear Co-Workers:

I hope to meet everyone of you at Greencastle July 6, 7, 8, and 9, in our State convention. The first session commences Tuesday evening at 7:30 but every delegate is expected to arrive in the afternoon, so that they can be settled in their rooms, and ready for the reception that follows after the evening session. Do not come on a late car if you can possibly avoid it.

We want every boy and girl who graduates this year to be in the graduates' march on Wednesday evening.

Almost every W. C. T. U. over the state has an L. T. L. secretary, who is a member of our executive committee. It is your place to attend this convention, and help us with suggestions, and your presence. If every secretary would come, the L. T. L. work over the state would be on a boom, this coming year. The officers of each Legion should be present if at all possible, especially the President.

We would like each county to have some new songs and yells ready for us at any time. Be sure you all know the state yell.

We would like every alumnus present for the picnic Friday. We want you to be ready with pencil and note book, to take down notes on everything. If several from one legion are present, have each report some special feature of the convention when you get back home.

We are planning for a grand convention. You can't afford to miss it. We can't afford to have you miss it. Every session will be full of interest. We are to have with us our National Secretary, Miss Wintinger; Miss Austin of Chicago, our state W. C. T. U. President, vice-President, Treasurer, Editor of Message, Mrs. Helm late of Japan, President McConnell of De Pauw, Senators Tilden and Moore, and others. So with these excellent numbers, how can you afford to stay away? Friday will be given over to track meet, the picnic and sight seeing. There will be speeches, games and a good time.

I hope by this time all dues have been collected, and together with your reports, you have sent them in to the proper persons. Remember a pennant will be given to the Legion doing best work in each department.

Please send in the names of all legioners who have died during the past year to Miss Lola J. Overman, Fairmount, who has charge of our memorial service.

A letter came too late for the June "Joy Bells" requesting you to send Crusader Monthly reports to 1623 North F. street, Elwood, as Mr. Howard O. Barr, our agent, has returned home. A banner will be given to the largest graduates class; a blanket to the largest delegation in convention. See Joy Bells for other prizes for special work in departments. Let every county W. C. T. U. President see that her county is represented by some one to give us a two minute speech on the Temperance work in her county during the past year. Lovingly yours for the best convention ever held in Indiana.

IDA M. MIX, General State Secy.

FLOWER MISSION.

Dear Sisters. We are entering the last quarter's work in our beloved Flower Mission,—the most beautiful department. And let the last quarter bring with it the best work of the year. Surely, we have all been doing with our might what our hands have found to do. "Deep rooted in the human heart is the love of flowers, beloved by little children, cherished by serious deep thinking men and women. They are the only things in life that do not alter as we grow older. They are the scriptures of the earth interpreting to us the unseen things of God; speaking to us the words of eternal life. Let each Flower Missioner begin our last quarter's work with renewed zeal. New opportunities are constantly opening to us. There is scarcely any limit to the Flower Mission work. We can all find something to do in this department, among the poor, the sick and the discouraged. Let us offer sympathy and help to the

"shut ins," the wayward and to those who find themselves behind prison bars. In March I sent literature and report blanks to every county superintendent, and will send blanks in time for our final report, and I want to ask each county superintendent to compile reports before sending to me, and be sure to give the name of your county. Wishing you all success, I am your loving comrade,

VIOLA R. HARVEY, State Supt.
Mooreville, Ind.

MARION COUNTY NOTES.

Castleton Union held an afternoon and evening meeting on May 15, with the county presidents, Mrs. Kinser and Prof. and Mrs. F. W. Lough as special guests and speakers. Prof. Lough made a masterly appeal for Prohibition and the betterment of conditions in Government affairs. Mrs. Kinser gave a reading, "The Resubmissionist Story," which was much enjoyed. Castleton union is thoroughly awake and doing effective work.

Broad Ripple Union on June 9, held an all day Flower Mission meeting with a fine program and a delightfully arranged picnic dinner at the splendid country home of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Hessong. There were about sixty-five members and guests present. Mrs. Hessong is the greatly loved president of the union and Mr. Hessong is an honored member. Mrs. Kinser and other Indianapolis white ribboners were special guests. The day was ideal and hospitality of the host and hostess was greatly enjoyed by all.

Three New Unions in Indianapolis.

A New Union on Brookside avenue—The Harriett W. Brand, Mrs. Addie Lancaster, president; organized by County President Mrs. Mary Kinser.

Hillside Avenue (Colored) Union—The Amanda Smith. Mrs. Melvina Smith, pres. Organized by Mrs. M. A. McCurdy, state organizer.

The Frances Willard Union rejoices in the fact that they are responsible for the new Gray union, 38th and Park avenue. Mrs. Bruce Shields, pres. This was organized by Mrs. Kinser, county pres.

Indianapolis Central.—At a meeting recently held with Mrs. Chas. M. Lemon in Woodruff Place, Judge J. W. Thompson made a fine address on the subject of "Immigration and the Liquor Traffic." He showed that within two decades there had been a great change in the class of immigrants coming to our shores, there being a large decrease in per cent of the Anglo-Saxon peoples and a great increase in the Latin races. In some instances increase of 100 per cent in the last decade, from the peoples of Southern Europe and Italy. Thus very rapidly America is being populated with a foreign element wholly ignorant of and averse to all of our Christian institutions, and they soon become the tools of crafty politicians and used to perpetuate the un-American liquor curse. Today only 20 per cent of New York City is American born. Thirty-seven daily papers in foreign languages published in New York City. Central union observed Flower Mission Day at the Door of Hope. Almost all of the Board of Managers of this institution are members of the union. The membership of this union is much interested in a "Literature Campaign" and give generously of their means. The largest amount yet given is by Mrs. C. E. Bacon, which is \$10.00. The collection at the regular meetings of this union average about \$1.05. The treasurers, Mrs. Geo. T. Brenning and Mrs. F. T. McWhirter, expect white money only to be put in the collection. Quarters are far more frequently found in the collection "than pennies." It takes money to carry on our work and sincerely interested members will give generously to the W. C. T. U. On July 8 at 2:30 o'clock a porch and yard meeting of the union will be held at the home of the president, Mrs. J. M. Scheerer, 2329 Broadway. Members are urged to bear this date in mind and to be present. Strangers and friends in the city are cordially invited.

FIELD NEWS

Indianapolis Frances Willard union held an interesting meeting at Edwin Ray church, on a Sunday afternoon last month. A goodly number were present, and afterward expressed their appreciation. Rev. Clippinger, the pastor, was present a short time and spoke some words of sympathy, then left to attend a funeral. Mrs. L. E. Scott talked impressively on our work and its aims. Mr. Chas. Lemon gave a splendid talk on temperance in general, and made his points clear. Miss Rockwood gave an inspiring temperance reading. Mrs. Hathaway recited a sweet original poem on "Home." The president, Mrs. Grey, gave a short talk on our work. At the last meeting Mrs. Scott spoke earnestly in reference to our work. A little girl gave two recitations in German, and sang a solo. Arrangements were made for Flower Mission Day, after which Mrs. Coe Blodgett Brennen sang a beautiful solo.—Mrs. McDermid, Press Rep.

Floyd County W. C. T. U. held an exceptionally interesting Institute at Georgetown. The county president, Mrs. Anna Jones, and the leader, Mrs. Retta Jones, were at their best, it seems, while the ministers and professors of the county, with the members and friends of the Union all contributed to the interest and success of the institute. New Albany, Galena and Georgetown were

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well represented. The institute closed with an oratorical contest by the Georgetown Union—Miss Virgie Patterson, successful competitor.—Mrs. Adda Labach, Reporter.

The Bartholomew county institute was held at Newbern under the leadership of Mrs. Retta Jones. On account of the rain the attendance was not so good as would have been but two afternoon and two evening sessions were held which were very pleasant and profitable. The first afternoon was spent in discussing the policy of the W. C. T. U. and the work of the departments which could best be taken up by new unions. A number of good papers and talks were given the second afternoon. Mrs. Jones spoke both evenings, speaking the second evening on Womans Suffrage. There is no union at Newbern but the people royally entertained the Institute and six new members were received which were added to Hartsville Union. 608 pages of literature were distributed. A county executive meeting was held at the close of the Institute and Columbus was chosen as the place for the county convention in September.

The Marion County Superintendents' Conference met at River Avenue Baptist Church. The devotional exercises at the morning session were led by Mrs. Hannah Hawk of Palmer Union. The Department Supt. of county gave a five minutes talk on the year's work. The unions represented were Indianapolis Unions, Central, Frances Willard, Vayhinger, Northeast, Palmer, and Meridian; others were Bridgeport, Broad Ripple and Brightwood. Mrs. Mary Kinser, county president, addressed the meeting on County Local Option work; she said the principles of W. C. T. U. were for state-wide prohibition but as the county option was now our best means of sticking the enemy, she urged the white-ribbon women to do all in their power to aid in the county local option election. Mrs. L. E. Scott of Frances Willard union led the noontide prayer. Mrs. Samuel Ashman led the devotional exercises at the afternoon session, after which she spoke to conference encouraging the W. C. T. U. women by speaking of work done in past and urging them to greater efforts in the temperance work at this time. She urged careful observance of the noon-time prayer, the time set apart by state and national W. C. T. U. for prayer, looking to the Heavenly Father for guidance. Mrs. Frances Boyer of Central union, gave a most helpful talk on "How Department Superintendent May Help in Local Option Campaign. She emphasized how the superintendents of Literature, the Press, Sunday School, Oratorical Contests, could help, showing how each superintendent may help in her line of work. Mrs. Mary Moody read an excellent paper on "The Training of Girls." She said that the training of girls is as old as time—the Bible tells us "train up a child in the way he should go," showing in the long ago days the training of the young was held as necessary. We of the modern times place emphasis upon an all-around education which insures the art of house-keeping under hygienic laws and thus making a sanitary home as the first essential for a broader equipment for usefulness and when a chair of hygiene is placed in every school building and every institution of learning, the golden age will indeed be near its dawn. The hospitality of Indianapolis Palmer union was greatly appreciated by the county superintendents, who rejoice because of the renewed activity of all the unions in Marion county.

LaPorte Union held an interesting meeting June 7th. Although somewhat discouraged over the results of the election held on May 27th, the members are not the kind that are willing to cease working. They will keep on working and praying, hoping that in two years from now things will take a different turn. The last few days before the election were busy days for the women as well as the men. Our dear state lecturer, Mrs. Elizabeth T. Stanley, was with us. Meetings were held all hours of the day nearly, and I might say, night too,—one meeting at five in the morning. God bless all such women as Mrs. Stanley and give us more of them. Her coming to us was a great help and a lasting uplift. During her stay a mass meeting was held on Wednesday evening, May 26th, at which she gave an especially interesting reading. Later a Woman's Civic League was organized with the following officers: Mrs. Lilly Sutherland, president; with a vice president from each of the different churches. Miss Clara Teglow, secretary; Mrs. August Johnson, treasurer. The executive committee consists of Mesdames Allen, Tonjes, Martin, Hannum, and Dorland. Aside from these there are several hundred good women who have signed the help cards pledging themselves to assist not only along the lines of temperance, but in all work that is good and uplifting so with a regiment like this much good can surely be accomplished.—Mrs. Seth Pease, Press Supt.

Montpelier union entertained in honor of the Board of Directors and teachers of the public schools at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Smith. The decorations were beautiful, all in white—the union's color—and white carnations used for favors. There was a short musical program consisting of piano solos by Misses Bertha Miller, Dorothy Artain Lucile Thompson, piano duet by Mrs. Kramer and Miss Edna Shannon; violin solos by Miss Ruth Hughes and Raymond Weston. Following this a unique contest was enjoyed. Each person was given an excursion ticket on which was certain information from which the names of the stations at which the train would stop were to be guessed. Prizes were offered but five persons guessed seventeen of the



MRS. J. P. MERRILL,
Crown Point, Ind., Pres. Lake Co. W. C. T. U.

twenty-one names of stations on the list. With the special guests were the husbands and the ministers, making in all present about seventy-five.—Mrs. Charles S. Miller.

Mrs. Zona Hackleman of Rockport, Spencer county, writes in a personal letter: We are still "wet," but we catch glimmerings of a better day, and are not discouraged. They beat us with only a small majority, thanks to everybody who helped. The L. T. L. children and others from the different grades at school marched with songs and yells, and we women spent the day at the polls, serving coffee and lemonade, "sandwiching" in our petition for a dry vote.

The Spencer County W. C. T. U. institute was held in the M. E. church May 10 and 11, with Mrs. Ella Kroft as leader. The whole of the morning was taken up by preliminaries and plans for pushing the work. Mrs. Mary Graham gave the Scriptural lesson for the afternoon after which prayer was offered by Mrs. T. C. Basye. Mrs. Lide Hall gave the welcome address to which Mrs. Kroft responded with appropriate words of good cheer and encouragement. The work of the Loyal Temperance League was reported by Mrs. Zona Hackleman. The importance of keeping the body pure within and without and early training for good were particularly dwelt on. In the discussions that followed Mrs. Haines said our greatest work in the W. C. T. U. is the L. T. L. Mr. Pirtle spoke for home training, Mrs. Kroft on the difficult task of finding leaders for the L. T. L. Mr. Bryan's address on "Organized Christian Work for Temperance" was very clear and convincing. He emphasized the great need of systematic temperance work in the various churches, Sunday schools and young people's societies and that the influence of the pulpit should be given for temperance because it is a center of power. If the preacher is silent on the subject it isn't any wonder if the people are silent. Miss Bertha Fay gave us a most pathetic little story in the reading which came next entitled "Little Blossom." A song of welcome by the L. T. L. was enjoyed by all. The evening service consisted of devotional exercises by Mrs. Margaret Haines, a duet "Saloons Must Go" by Marjorie Hackleman and Esther Walker and an address given most ably and entertainingly by Mrs. Kroft. Tuesday Morning.—Praise service and music in which a number took part began the day's proceedings. Reverends Wall and Holmes were present at this session and gave good words for our encouragement. Mr. Holmes related their experiences in Tennessee when the "drys" won their great victory. "The Advantages of Municipal Suffrage For Women" was well presented by Dr. Eva Buxton. The first thing on program for the afternoon was the devotional exercise by Mrs. Hackleman. J. W. Burns, by the use of court records and statistics, proved that we would have nothing to lose and much to gain if there was appointed a national committee to investigate the economic and moral effects of the liquor traffic. By the use of court records he showed that the expenses of the county were immeasurably greater because of the liquor traffic and that revenue from the saloons was not adequate to pay for expenses of the court proceedings caused by the existence of our saloons. Mrs. Kroft in her address to the members admonished them against many worldly pleasures, mentioning Sunday visiting, parlor dances, five cent shows, cards and gossiping. "A Mother's Plea" by Mrs. Ab Gentry was full of noble ideas and we were impressed more than ever with the self-sacrificing love of the mother. A beautiful solo by Miss Gold came next. During the exercises the following ministers were present: Messrs. Boldrey, McCoy, Pirtle, Wall, Holmes, Bryan and Tiedt. Out of town visitors were Mrs. Peckinpugh of Grand View, and Mrs. Cross of Chrisney. New county officers elected were as follows: President, Mrs. Lide Hall; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Anna Bird; Treasurer, Mrs. Geo. Clement of Chrisney; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Zella Graham; Sabbath Schools, Mrs. Lizzie Gentry; Y. W. C. T. U., Mrs. Boldrey; L. T. L., Mrs. Hackleman; Literature, Mrs. Ella Graham; Parliamentary Law, Mrs. Haines; Evangelistic, Mrs. Cross; Purity, Dr. Buxton.—Z. L. H.

The Arba (Randolph county) W. C. T. U. held a successful meeting in April. The program for the evening was furnished by the honorary mem-

bers. Program as follows: Devotions, Charles Hunt; "Our Sabbath Laws," William Bowen; "The influence of the Sunday newspaper's Present Day Tendencies," David Haisley; "The Bible way of raising money for Christian work," D. H. Kunkle; "Our Benevolences versus our extravagancies," David J. Coppock; "Is this a Christian Nation?" M. T. Horn. Very interesting discussion followed each subject. Songs for the evening were selected from The Temperance Songster. At the regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. held May 6, 1909, Mrs. Gertrude Fulton of Portland, was present, and gave some very efficient help by advice and encouragement. She stayed for a public meeting at night and gave an address on Christian Citizenship. The evening being stormy there were not many out. But the address was listened to with much interest by those present. On the evening of May 31 an address was given by Rev. S. W. Traum of Richmond. His subject was "Arise and go into the city and it shall be told thee there what thou shalt do." As Paul took his new life back to his own home town to do service for his master, so said the speaker we were expected to take the new life and do service for our Master, just where we live. The appeal was very touching, and after giving some of his own personal experiences we feel that the band at our place fighting the awful curse of the rum business was encouraged to fight harder than ever before. Music was given by the young men of Arba. Meeting closed with earnest prayer to God to strengthen our hands and help us do all in our power to overthrow the liquor traffic and kill its awful influence.—Alice Haisley, Cor. Sect.

Williamsport union officers are: President Mrs. E. B. Anderson; Cor. Secy., Mrs. S. C. Hanson; Treas., Mrs. Florence Gregory.

Mrs. Oliver Boord, of Covington, is very ill. Many W. C. T. U. friends will be grieved at this news. Mrs. Clara Crain is Mrs. Boords' successor in W. C. T. U. work.

Sardinia.—Mrs. David Clark, aged 66 years, died May 17. She was a faithful and active member of the W. C. T. U.—E. Rose Meredith.

Elkhart.—A beautiful memorial day service was held at Grace Lawn cemetery on Sunday afternoon, May 30, participated in by thirty members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. After attending the funeral of a sister white ribboner, Mrs. Mary Simpkins, the local organization proceeded to the home of Mrs. S. B. Hively, 903 Middlebury street, where other members joined in the line of march which was formed preparatory to going to the cemetery. With the local officers in advance the line of white ribbon women was led to the graves where they left their floral decorations and where earnest prayer was offered. The brief program arranged by the local officers was held at the grave of Mrs. Dean the last departed member who rests in Grace Lawn. Mrs. Harry Zeigler read the XCI. Psalm, which was so cherished by Mrs. Dean and Mrs. B. C. Rawley in fervent prayer spoke tenderly of the members whose souls have flied away to the Homeland. Mrs. S. O. Barwick read the memorial hymn, written by Miss Willard, "On Heights of Power," and Mrs. I. H. Church and Mrs. H. Zeigler sang inspiringly, "Saved By Grace" and "The Days Are Passing By." The president, who was in charge of the program, voiced a tribute to the memory of the fourteen promoted members of the Elkhart Central W. C. T. U. Each heart was strengthened for the battles to come by this brief tryst at the grave of a faithful worker and with the thought of the great chieftain, Frances Willard, was "Greatest of all in her going away."

Elkhart.—On Sunday morning, May 30, as the "Elmer" and "Shiloh Field" posts were seated in the auditorium of the Grace Lutheran church where the memorial sermon was to be delivered by Rev. F. A. Dressel, the W. C. T. U. presented each soldier with a small silk flag tied with a bow of white ribbon.—Press Supt.

The South Bend Baptist Young People's Societies held a union service at the First Baptist church on Sunday evening, June 13. The "Life and Character of Frances E. Willard" was the subject. The leaders were Mrs. Nellie White and Miss Alice Roessler. The principal addresses were made by Mrs. Kathryn Holler and Mrs. Nellie White.

The Auburn Woman's Christian Temperance Union has ordered several thousand copies of temperance leaflets which will be distributed before the Dekalb county option election.

Our Promoted Comrades

Annie, wife of T. C. Grave, of Monrovia, departed this life June 26, 1908. She was a devoted member of the W. C. T. U. She was in failing health for several months but her interest in the cause did not cease. Her words of testimony in public were few, but her Christian actions and kind deeds were her testimony. Her quiet life has not been lived in vain. The four sons, to whom her life has been devoted "rise up and call her blessed," "and her works do praise her."

A FRIEND.

When Mrs. C. L. Willis was called to a higher life Connorsville W. C. T. U. lost a most worthy and earnest member. She was deeply interested in the Union work. One who was always anxious for the welfare of mankind. To the bereaved loved ones we extend our sympathy. She departed this life May 4, 1909.—Mrs. Lloyd E. Doner, Cor. Sec.

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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McWHIRTER-PROCTOR DEBATE.

For the first time in the history of the temperance movement in Indiana an open debate was held on the subject: "Resolved, That prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage is right."

The debate was held July 31, in Tomlinson Hall, Indianapolis, by Hon. Felix T. McWhirter, prohibitionist and State Senator Robert E. Proctor, representative of the liquor interests. Senator Proctor represented Elkhart county in our last legislature and worked very hard for the repeal of the Local Option law.

The Indianapolis papers gave much space to plans for and reports of the debate. They were fair and kind to Mr. McWhirter, their fellow-townsmen.

The Indianapolis Star gave very prominent first page space to report of debate, using about two columns in all. From the "Star" we quote the following which also had first page space:

SHOTS THAT WENT TO THE MARK IN

VERBAL BATTLE ON LIQUOR QUESTION.

By Felix T. McWhirter.

Over two-thirds of the territory of the United States is now under legal prohibition.

With the Prohibition party in power * * * the success of prohibition would be unquestioned, and liquor selling would be on a plane with murder and theft and other crimes, where it ought to be.

One billion dollars of liquors require (to manufacture them) 61,000 laborers; whereas a like amount of useful commodities would require upward of 400,000 wage earners.

The raw material used in the manufacture of liquor is less than one-third of that used in the manufacture of useful commodities.

The saloons and jails, the saloons and state prisons, go hand in hand.

The percentage of crime issuing from the doors of the saloon is fully 70 per cent of all the crimes known to us for which arrests are made.

Marion and Vigo counties, with one-tenth of the population of the state, have one-fifth of the saloons, one-third of the criminals and one-fourth of the paupers of the state.

Brewers are only larger and more audacious violators of law than are saloon keepers; they devise means continually to override the will of the people.

The slave of the drink habit is lashed with scorpion whips and writhes under the tortures of his heartless master.

There can be no rest until a question of right and wrong is settled by prohibiting the wrong.

By Senator R. E. Proctor.

Prohibition does not prohibit. Prohibition to be right must prohibit.

Prohibitionists, upon the question of the effectiveness of prohibition, can not be honest.

If the prohibitionists and not the Anti-Saloon League are responsible for the county local option decisions, then the two have been pulling off one of the best farce comedy quarrels it has been my fortune to witness.

The Prohibitionist proceeds on the theory he is inspired of God and can not be wrong.

I will become a prohibitionist if you will produce a commandment from the Bible saying a man shall not drink intoxicating liquor.

There has never been a President, from Washington down to Taft, who indorsed prohibition.

A prohibition statute placed upon the Indiana statute book in 1855 was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.

You can not make labor believe that prohibition cures all the ills that flesh is heir to.

Between 1860 and 1870 fifteen states voted for prohibition. Today fifteen of the states have gone back to license laws.

The history of prohibition has been that its enactment drove men into the cellar with a vinegar jug and a potato to make their own whisky.

Prohibitionists and liberals will both find themselves on an equal footing before the judgment seat, though the prohibitionist thinks "I am holier than thou."

Mr. Edward W. Clark said:

The presentation of the Prohibition position by Mr. McWhirter was both able and eloquent. Mr. McWhirter knew his case and had his material well arranged. Following a line considerably different from that pursued by other debaters, Mr. McWhirter marshaled the facts concerning the iniquitous character of the liquor traffic and argued strongly of the duty of the government to protect people from it.

Senator Proctor proved himself a very small-calibered representative of the liquor side of the case. His speeches were of the thin, ready-made sort, a weak dilution of the matter that has been given to the country by Mayor Rose and is commonly found in the various liquor papers. There was neither force nor originality in his presentation of the case.

Tennessee Goes Dry Amid Great Rejoicing.—The last saloons in Tennessee closed their doors it is hoped forever, promptly at midnight, July 1. The press dispatches have had little to say as regards the results of prohibition to date, although as a most peculiar coincidence, a number of items are being given the widest possible circulation alleging the failure of prohibition in various other states.

Whatever the reason may be, the results of prohibition in Nashville and other cities, which for the first time came under the authority of the law, have been given no prominence in the daily press. An interesting side-light on the actual results in Nashville is given in the *Tennessean* for July 5, which states that the police records for the eighteen hours between five o'clock Saturday afternoon, July 3, and twelve o'clock of July 4, have no parallel in the history of Nashville, in fact, there was not a single arrest. Never before since this town was incorporated, has a Saturday night passed without there being from a score to half a hundred drunks registered on the blotter at police headquarters. Everywhere it was on the lips of the citizens that a new order of things has come to pass, pledging a better government and a stronger manhood.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Indiana Young People Stand For Temperance. Fifteenth Annual State Convention of the Senior L. T. L. at Greencastle, July 6-9.

The Locust Street Methodist Church of Greencastle has just been the scene of much enthusiasm on the part of the 55 voting delegates from over the state. Owing to the recent Temperance victories, the splendid program and gifted speakers, the large reports, and the spirit of prayer and consecration on the part of the young people, the convention was pronounced "the best ever" by all in attendance. The convention church was prettily decorated with banners, pennants and flowers, and was pleasantly situated, facing the beautiful campus of DePauw University.

Never before in the history of the Legion have so many prominent persons responded to the call to help the young people. Especially generous were the White Ribbon women of our state in placing before the Legioners their best talent. And we feel sure in the years to come they will be richly repaid when these same young people the more worthily step into their places to lead against the forces of sin.

Miss Margaret Wintringer, National L. T. L. Secretary of Evanston, Ill., repeatedly during the entire three days came forward in her strong, winsome way and with plans and suggestions made her appeals take hold not only of the delegates but of the Greencastle audience as well. Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, State W. C. T. U. President, gave the address, to the 55 graduates on Wednesday evening. All who know Mrs. Vayhinger's womanly and statesmanlike way realize the power and influence exerted. Our own Mrs. McWhirter, who years ago had a Legion of over 100 in this convention town enthused us repeatedly and made us feel the close bond of love existing between the mother Union and its child. These women, and also Mrs. Gipe of Indianapolis, who had charge of the touching memorial service, would come to the rescue whenever perplexing questions would arise. The Legioners indeed appreciated their presence and help.

Dr. Gobin, Vice President of DePauw, Dr. Cecil

The Fifteenth Arbitration Conference was held at Lake Mohonk. There were present Japanese, Chinese, Frenchmen, Germans, Canadians, South Americans, visiting Englishmen and many distinguished men and women from our own country.

Nicholas Murray Butler, the head of Columbia University, presided and in closing a remarkable address he said:

"There is a limit to man's capacity to yield up taxes for public use, and the world must choose between pinning its faith to the symbols of a splendid barbarism and devoting its energies to the tasks of an enlightened civilization. Each year that representatives of different nations sit side by side and look each other in the face, it becomes more and more difficult to go home and vote a declaration of war against the nations these men represent. The world is being politically organized while we are talking about it and wondering how it is to come to pass. It is being organized by treaties and by international gatherings, and one day the world will wake up and see how far it has traveled toward its goal by these short steps. A revolutionary movement is not desirable—an evolutionary movement must be gradual. We Americans have a peculiar responsibility toward this organization of the world. We owe it to ourselves that we do not belie our principles and professions, that we do not permit the noisy boisterousness of irresponsible youth, however old in years or high in place, to lead us into extravagant expenditure for armies and navies."

B. F. Trueblood, ex-college president and secretary American Peace Society, spoke encouragingly. He said:

"It is easier to measure the progress by decades than by years. Within twenty years there have been more than one hundred settlements of international difficulties by arbitration, more than four scores treaties of arbitration, two great official world peace congresses, more than a score of other congresses, the acknowledgment by the Hague Conference of the principle of obligatory arbitration, and a magnificent development of public opinion, an unparalleled record in the progress of the world."

"THE WATER WAGON AND OTHER POEMS."

Having just examined a booklet, "The Water Wagon and Other Poems," by Rev. W. B. Grimes, New Albany, Ind., I find it very inspiring, high class, and up to date and it will add much to the temperance reform and our struggle for statewide prohibition. It also contains ten new songs suitable for temperance rallies, which ought to be used in every local union in the state of Indiana.

Being acquainted with the author, I do enthusiastically recommend the booklet to the W. C. T. U. and temperance workers. It has been copyrighted and can be obtained for 15 cents per copy postpaid.

The author of the booklet also has a series of crusade lectures, "The Great Red Dragon," "Indiana's Going Dry," "Frances E. Willard," "The Water Wagon," "The Knight of the New Chivalry" and "God's Tenth." Rev. Grimes is a man of sterling worth, a speaker of ability and power and thoroughly in sympathy with the work. He can give a limited amount of time in the lecture field and would be glad to make engagements with the W. C. T. U., temperance organizations, churches, or Young People's Societies for a date or series of dates on the above lectures, which have in them the "Fire of the New Crusade."

For terms and dates address, The Rev. Walter B. Grimes, A. M., pastor Main St., M. E. Church, New Albany, Indiana.

MRS. Ella KROFT,
State Worker, W. C. T. U.

FROM EXCHANGES.

"What sort of a union would our union be
If every member were just like me?
Better or worse would our union be,
If every member were just like me?
Were every member of our union to be
Just such a member as Christ would see
What changes would come to you and me;
And the gain to our union, what would it be?"

Placards containing brief statements of the evil effects of alcohol and tobacco have been placed in 5,000 school-rooms in Norway.

Mrs. Russell Sage and other women of large means have pledged \$60,000 to the cause of woman suffrage in the United States. The money is to be paid in sums of \$12,000 a year for the next five years.

More than one hundred legislative districts in the past year the prohibitionists forced their opponents to fight the hottest battle of their lives. In eight states prohibition candidates were elected to the legislature. In fifteen others the gain was great.



MISS IRMA SMITH.
Supintendent.

North, Professor of Sociology, Mrs. Helm, formerly missionary in Japan and at present Secretary of the Young Woman's Christian Association in

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Indiana State W. C. T. U. convention, Muncie, Oct. 1-5, 1909.

National W. C. T. U. convention, Omaha, Oct. 22-27, 1909.

No union can count its years' work a success that has not held a public meeting and distributed 1,000 pages of temperance or purity literature.

Nine Prohibition States: Maine, Kansas, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, North Carolina and Tennessee.

For county conventions where a Republican speaker is desired for local option speech, ex-Senator Thos. T. Moore, of Greencastle, would do excellent service. Senator Moore is the father of the Moore remonstrance law, a good man and an able speaker.

Street meetings held in hot weather with good singers, musicians and a temperance man speaker will be helpful in any community. There are young medal contest winners who could be secured with ability after a reading to make a little speech. Young college men who have studied prohibition are available for reasonable prices. Concerning this write to Mr. Raymond Schmidt, De Pauw University, Greencastle, Ind. Mr. Schmidt is connected with our state college prohibition association.

The World's W. C. T. U. convention will be held in Glasgow, Scotland, June 4-11, 1910. This convention will be composed of delegates from about fifty nations of the world. Thus early a large number of our American women have signified their intention of attending this convention. Some of our Indiana women should plan to be among the number. We will be entitled to one delegate for every 500 paid members.

The Bulletin sent out by the Warrick County "wets" should be read.

Samples of all literature used by the "Drys" should be secured by our W. C. T. U. Unions in counties yet to vote, so that when the time comes for campaign work the experience of others could be utilized. For such literature write to the county presidents. Addresses of county and local union officers are listed in the back of our annual reports.

"Me no sell beer," was the declaration of a Chinese manager of a chop suey restaurant in Indianapolis when representatives of the Humane Society made an investigating visit. Complaints had been received to effect that young girls were permitted in these places and that drinks were served to them. In one chop suey restaurant above a saloon the Chinese in charge was warned by the Humane officers that if boys and girls were found there arrests would follow. He had a dummy elevator leading from the saloon, showing how he conducted his business. Think of young girls and young boys drinking in such places kept by a heathen Chinaman. Chop suey restaurants, wine rooms and dance halls could not be patronized by young girls and young boys if our Christian men and women were actively at work for Christ.

We need Christian activity that will impel good men and women to visit restaurants, cafes, hotels and places of amusements. Be sufficiently interested to know what is going on in your community. It is not enough to pray. Watch and work.

Sunday base ball in Indiana is the result of the work of a strong moneyed lobby that succeeded our legislature. It is said that a majority of members came to the legislature pledged to vote for it. It is a great money making business. The professional players get big salaries. The managers make big money. Our good men in Indiana made slight protest and the law passed. Thousands attend the Sunday games. It has been estimated that there were 20,000 visitors came to Indianapolis by train and trolley for the first game. Literally millions of pages of Sabbath Observance literature and copies of our Indiana Sunday laws should be distributed in

churches, S. S., schools, colleges, everywhere. Every union can buy copies of the law and post in hundreds of places in the cities and towns. When our people fully realize the meaning of our Indiana Sunday law there will be fewer places of business open and conditions will be different. If the people want a quiet Sunday in any community, they can secure it by agitation and education. Public sentiment rules. W. C. T. U. women, will you take interest enough in this subject to spend ten or fifteen cents and some of your time. The contribution of the value of two two-cent postage stamps from every member of a union would create a fund sufficient to secure enough Sabbath Observance literature to arouse public sentiment in the community so that genuine Sunday closing would be assured. Try it! Lay plans!! Be wise and energetic!!!

County conventions held early are advisable. Secure speakers now. Arrange for a Demonstration Nihgt, using fifty young people. Get the best musicians.

To have a similar program to that used last year and year before should not be considered. Great things have happened since then. Have them told effectively by representatives. Never has there been so much temperance music. For samples of real local option and victory songs write to Mr. Wm. Carpenter, Brazil (songs used in Clay county campaign), and to Mr. O. H. Palmer, State Life Bldg., Indianapolis. For songs and song books write to Rev. Chas. M. Fillmore, 1836 Commerce ave., Indianapolis.

Sing temperance songs only at the conventions. Begin now to get the songs and organize chorus classes and orchestras. Why should a County W. C. T. U. convention be held in a county seat town with two days and two evening meetings and small audiences. Make so much stir getting ready for a convention and have such attractions that the people will attend. Liquor men advertise, theatre managers advertise, these people get the crowds. Our temperance people succeed too when they advertise. If many young people are to take part in the program there will be a stir.

STATE CONVENTION.

The W. C. T. U. state convention will be held at Muncie, Oct. 1-5. Every county president is a delegate and the county should bear her expenses.

Every local union is entitled to send its president and one delegate at large and one delegate for every twenty paid members.

The Muncie convention will be the greatest convention ever held by the W. C. T. U. in Indiana.

Plan now to attend and be sure to invite your husbands and ministers to attend the convention Saturday and Sunday.

YOUNG WOMAN'S BRANCH.

Dear White Ribbon Sisters: Have you each one done what you could towards getting the young women of our state into our blessed work? Must we go up to our state convention and report no gain in the Y work? It depends on you dear ones, and oh, I trust that you will make one more effort and not be satisfied until you can report an organization in your city or town. We need the dear young women and they need the work.

Send for a Y Year Book, send a card if you want one and I will be only too glad to mail you one at once, with some Y leaflets.

The time grows short, not three months left in which to work. So improve the time, and God will bless your efforts. Lovingly yours,

(Miss) LAURA G. CAMMACK,
State Y Secretary.

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LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Indiana Young People Stand For Temperance. Fifteenth Annual State Convention of the Senior L. T. L. at Greencastle, July 6-9.

De Pauw, Ex-Senator Moore and Senator Tilden, all gave able addresses. The presence and willingness of Mr. Nelson Strome of Buffalo, N. Y., ex-president of New York L. T. L. Alumni Association, was very greatly enjoyed. Miss Irma Smith of Marion, and Mrs. Sedelia Starr Donner of Greencastle, both elocutionists of note, gave readings at various times.

On Wednesday evening the local Union gave a reception in the church parlors to the delegates, visitors and friends, about 200 being present. The final feature of the convention was given Friday morning in the form of a Senior Alumni picnic breakfast at McLean Springs. About 65 were present. There were responses to seven toasts, Miss Susan McWhirter being the efficient toast-mistress.

The officers for the coming year are as follows:

President—DeEtte Walker, Greencastle.
Vice President—Blanche Thorne, Marion.
Cor. Secy.—Mr. Huffman, Elwood.
Rec. Secy.—Irma Smith, Marion.
Treasurer—Harriet Stocton, Kokomo.
Organizer—Mrs. Ida M. Mix, Kokomo.
Musical Director—Sylvia Hopkins, Greencastle.
Anti-Narcotics—Mrs. Iva Wood-Parker, Elkhart.
Press—Hazel Hunt, Marion.
Flower Mission—Bethena Vandament, Greencastle.
Medal Contest—Minnie Smith, Red Key.

Literature—Raymond Kurtz, Elwood.
Mercy—Naomi Jester, Lafayette.
Parliamentary Usage—Susan McWhirter, Indianapolis.

Work Among Colored People—Fred Carter, Westfield.

Physical Culture—Fred Rowe, Bedford.
Red Letter Days—Janette Gipe, Indianapolis.
Junior Legion—Pearl Matthews, Elwood.
Sabbath Observance and Systematic Giving—Vera Fisher, Greencastle.

Anti-Gambling—Glenn Badger, Greencastle.
A splendid Plan of Work was submitted. Among other things it was decided that we try to double our membership this year, that an effort be made for 200 graduates; that the pledge be read and emphasized at each meeting; that six departments, at least, be worked by each Legion; Medal Contests, Press and dues were urged. It was one of our plans that the Legioners all work for prohibition, and that they better the condition of the treasury by placing \$100 there to carry on the work this year.

OFFICIAL.

Dear Comrades: We are expecting the greatest W. C. T. U. convention this year ever held in Indiana. The sweeping victories for our cause over the state, the increase in our membership, and the glowing reports to be brought in by our workers will make our convention one grand jubilee from start to finish! Each union should begin now to plan to send a full delegation.

Our Muncie comrades are hard at work planning for the comfort of their expected guests. We will receive a right royal welcome from the churches and homes. Let us show our appreciation of their hospitality by a large attendance, and an earnest effort on the part of each delegate to leave the city better for her presence and influence, and with a higher regard for our grand organization.

Our convention will be held unusually early this year—Oct. 1-5, so it will be necessary to have reports in at an earlier date than heretofore. State superintendents reports must be in the hands of the state recording secretary by Sept. 20, so local and county superintendents must be very prompt.

The large gain in membership we are hoping for will depend on the amount of dues sent in before Sept. 25, the day on which our state treasurer closes her books. So dear local treasurers, be sure to collect every dollar of dues possible and forward promptly.

Let us make a special effort these last weeks of the year to gain new members. August is pre-eminently the month for outdoor meetings. Each union should hold one or more such meeting this month on porch or lawn. Plan an interesting program, invite women whom you wish to interest in our work, and see if you can not by this means secure new members.

In spite of all the victories of the past year, our organization was never more needed than now. "Let us then be up and doing."

Next month I will tell you of some of the good things you may expect at our coming convention. Yours to serve,

MARY E. WOODARD,
Fountain City.

SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE.

Dear Superintendents: The month of August is here, and time for state convention not far off. I hope many of you have made plans to have Scientific Temperance presented at the County Teachers Institute and the Association in Nov. I know of a few who have.

I shall send out the blanks early and hope all will be prompt in returning them, as you see in the "Message." The state superintendents' reports must be in the hands of the recording secretary by Sept. 20, and we must have a few days in which to summarize them. There will be a blank for each county superintendent and as many locals as there are unions; but I have no way of knowing the number of unions that have been organized since the annual reports were published. Any one not receiving enough blanks should notify me at once of the additional number needed. The date of their return to me will be on the county blanks. The county superintendents in sending out should announce the dates they will expect them returned. You have received a letter giving the points on which the pennant will be awarded. One of these points is promptness. If you have been using the Teacher's Total Abstinence cards please return them with the reports.

Hoping for good and full reports from each one, that we may have a good report for the convention, and hoping to meet you at the convention, I am yours for Scientific Temperance in the public schools.

(Mrs.) ETHEL E. BAIR,
State Superintendent,
Niles, Mich., R. R. 2, Summer Home.

STATE W. C. T. U. CONVENTION, MUNCIE, IND.

Oct. 1st to 5th, '09, High St. M. E. Church.
General Chairman—Mrs. Ella Bond, 600 N. Martin street.
Entertainment—Mrs. Edith G. Nuzum, 315 N. Calvert.

Lunch and Hotels—Mrs. Nettie Hawk, 529 S. Garkey street.

Sunday Services—Mrs. Odessa Rayle, 431 W. Howard street.

Music—Mrs. Loretta Dille, 310 S. Mound.

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Press—Mrs. Isabella Morrow, 321 N. Jackson st.
Finance—Mrs. Mary Ebrite, 1622 W. Jackson st.
Telephone and Telegrams—Mrs. Margaret Sampson, 1200 S. Madison st.
Post Mistress—Mrs. Lizzie Wood, 711 S. Franklin st.
Decorations—Mrs. Amy Masters, 651 Berlin street.
Courtesies—Mrs. E. E. Elliott, 711 W. Haward.
Reception at Trains—Mrs. Catherine Collins, 1622 S. Blaine st.
Bureau of Information—Mrs. Nettie Johnson, 1203 E. Main st.
Ushers and Pages—Mrs. Guy Calvert, 118 N. Martin st.
Check Room—Mrs. Huldah Bloom, 1709 S. Franklin st.
City Transportation—Mrs. Anna Wallace, 401 Calvert st.

MEDAL CONTESTS.

We had the pleasure of attending a Diamond Medal contest at Montpelier, Blackford county, the evening of July 2, which had been carefully planned by the faithful county superintendent—Mrs. Ritter, of Hartford City—and Montpelier's efficient local superintendent, Mrs. Wearly.

The exercises were exceedingly entertaining, and helpful, music furnished by musicians of Hartford City and Montpelier, was superfine.

This was—as our contests should be—a popular entertainment. What we want is to reach all the people with these temperance truths. If we do this, we must have good programs well advertised. At least twenty counties in our state should follow the example of Blackford, and hold a diamond medal contest between now and state convention. There is plenty of material. Your state superintendent is constantly receiving letters from young people who are anxious to complete the course, and receive their diplomas. Write for names of those in your county, and adjoining ones, holding Grand Gold medals, and go to work at once. Yours for service,

JULIA OVERMAN,

Marion, Ind.,

State Supt.

WORK AMONG COLORED PEOPLE.

The end of the year is drawing near and your superintendent will greatly appreciate the kindness of those who will report to her any work done in this department.

This includes unions organized, meetings held, conventions, calls and sick visits made, talks given, pages of literature distributed, contests held and number of speakers. Any work for the colored people is included. Reports from individuals on post cards will be thankfully received by your state superintendent.

MRS. EMILY McINTOSH,

Allen Co.

Hoagland, Ind.



MRS. GERTRUDE FULTON,
State Supt. of Christian Citizenship, Portland, Ind.

STATE SUPERINTENDENTS.

Dear State Superintendents. I take this means of informing you of things concerning US. Only six weeks remains for us to gather in our reports and prepare them for the state recording secretary. They must be in her hands by September 20th so that advanced sheets may be printed. Remember we are expected to prepare and conduct QUIZZES, at the state convention instead of giving reports. Monday night of the state convention is to be "Superintendents Demonstration Night." Let us begin now to make this the most interesting and successful sessions of the entire convention. Two minutes will be allotted to each Superintendent to demonstrate her department. I will be glad to give any further information you may desire. Sincerely yours,

GERTRUDE FULTON, Sec'y.

FAIRS AND OPEN AIR MEETINGS.

Mr. Dear Superintendents and County Presidents. I trust every county will have something to report for this very important department. These summer months are our opportune time, may we improve them.

Our fairs and open air meetings afford the greatest opportunity for reaching the farmers of any department of our work.

Please bear in mind that I must have your reports by Sept. 15. I shall soon send out report blanks for the closing report. Any counties that have not written me will please drop me a card that I may not fail to send report blanks to all that will help us have something to report at the end of the year. Each one doing her little mite is what makes the world move. Without the help of counties and local unions I could not have much to report at our state convention. Therefore I plead with you to all help just a little.

I am expecting a great convention at Muncie in October. For the work that has been done in all our departments and the enthusiastic reports that will be brought in. Especially am I working and praying that we may have a very large increase in membership. Just think, if every woman in our ranks would try just a little harder these last few weeks of the year to get new members and not fail to collect old dues, what it would mean for the cause.

If we would say as did Paul, this one thing do, in God's name I feel sure we would surprise ourselves.

We have much to rejoice for. There repains much yet to be done; let us not weary in well doing. Yours for service,

LIZZIE HEATH,

State Supt. F. O. A. M.

316 E. Walnut st., Indianapolis, Ind.

DEPARTMENT OF MORAL EDUCATION AND WHITE RIBBON RECRUITS.

My Dear Sisters. I want to say to you, that when you read these lines, you will have less than two months to close up your year's work. Please remember that all reports should be in by the 15th of September. I have sent blanks with a package of literature, to every superintendent whose name and address I could get. For fear some superintendent has lost her blanks (such things have occurred), I will add the list of questions, and trust you will be prompt with your reports.

How many meetings have been held in the interest of this department?...What was the average attendance?...How many pages of literature distributed?...How many copies of American Motherhood are taken in your town?...In how many Teachers Institutes has this subject been presented?...In how many W. C. T. U. Institutes and Conventions?...How many Purity Sermons have you secured?...How many original papers?...How many White Ribbon Recruits enrolled?...Have you the Curfew law?...Please add items of interest.

Return not later than September 15th, to County Superintendent, and county superintendent send to me not a day later than the 20th.

MRS. S. M. STAHL, State Supt.

Hartford City, Ind.

EVANGELISTIC.

Dear Sisters in the work: I have been praying that the dear Lord may help us make this a good year in the evangelistic work of the W. C. T. U. The warm weather and the busy cares of the season have a tendency to cause us to neglect the Higher Spiritual Life.

But let us remember to be instant in season and out of season, spending much time in prayer and the reading of God's word.

May our highest ideals be to live aright, strive to work consistently for the best and the right, improve every opportunity for good, really preparing the way of the Lord. Trusting there has been much work done in this department during the year and desiring much more to be accomplished in the closing months. I would kindly call to the mind of each county and local superintendent the great need and importance of the work in her county and local unions and I would urge that a full and complete report be sent to your state superintendent by September 15th. Yours in the Master's service,

MRS. ELLA KROFT, State Supt.

Bloomington, Ind.

The Health and Heredity department is a very important branch of the W. C. T. U. work. But because developments are slow and the results are not noted as quickly as some other lines, there seems to be a tendency on the part of temperance people to neglect this department.

Now no one does good work along any line if they are sick in any manner, and it is necessary to inherit at least a moderately good constitution. Then with the proper care and attention to the laws of health we can hope to fill our place in this busy world. I would ask the unions to have local superintendents if possible, if not, use the work in the Mothers Meetings. Talk to the young mothers about proper clothing and food for their children, also regular habits. I must mention our great victory for temperance in Delaware county. You see we are getting ready for the state convention Oct. 1.

Now as we vote the whisky out of Indiana and do all we can to stamp out tuberculosis, let us hope that the succeeding generations will not have as many insane, crippled and sick as we have. Yours in His name,

Mrs. ODESSA RAYLE.



MRS. ODESSA RAYLE,
Muncie, Ind.

Fifteen National W. C. T. U. papers are published in different countries. In the United States alone there are forty-three state and territorial W. C. T. U. papers. "The Union Signal" and "The Crusader Monthly" are distinctively the papers and property of the National W. C. T. U. of the United States. As such they are entitled to support and patronage from W. C. T. U. sources. It is not only the privilege but it is the duty of all white-ribboners to subscribe for and read "The Union Signal," irrespective of how many other temperance, religious and other sorts of papers may come into their homes.

FIELD NEWS

Grant County.—Fowlerton Union held a delightful reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Hardesty in honor of its new members, ten in number. There was a large attendance. During the evening the following program was given: Song by members, prayer by Mrs. Ailes, piano solo Adda Stanton, reading Mrs. Olla Duling, piano solo Ida Richards, recitations Mrs. Hanks, Mrs. Tomlinson and Mrs. Dickerson, vocal solo Mrs. Hardesty. At the conclusion of the program refreshments were served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Hardesty. The annual Flower Mission meeting conducted by Mrs. L. G. Richards, was held at the U. B. Church Sunday and was a most enjoyable affair. Readings, Mrs. Dr. Fallis, Mrs. Mae Hanks; recitations, May Carpenter, Lorene Norton, Mable Niebarger, Hazel Carpenter; duets, Mrs. Dickerson, Florence Dye, Hazel Carpenter and Marguerite White; flower exercise by children. Many beautiful flowers were brought and the sick of our union were remembered by visits and flowers.—Mrs. Lenna Dickerson, Press Supt.

Fairmount.—Millicent R. Haisley was hostess of the regular meeting of the Fairmount W. C. T. U. held June 30th. Twenty-five of the sixty-eight members were present and enjoyed the program which was under the direction of Mrs. Walter Luse, the superintendent of Mother's Meetings. The committee on arrangements for the annual W. C. T. U. Fourth of July rally reported that their arrangements were completed. The following report of the rally is taken from the Marion Daily Chronicle: At the Fairmount W. C. T. U. annual 4th of July rally held at the Wesleyan camp ground, representatives from ten local unions of the county were present. Judge Marshall Williams held the attention of the large number present on his address on "The Lineup." He appealed to all men for the uniting of all forces against the evils of intemperance, using sound argument for showing that rapid progress is being made for the overthrow of the liquor traffic. Excellent music by soloists and quartettes was enthusiastically received and remarks by Miss Julia Shugart, county president, were appreciated.

Rev. Harold Pattison, pastor of the First Baptist church, St. Paul, Minn., having in mind the barren and unhomelike atmosphere of the average boarding house announced that the church parlors would be thrown open to all young people who live in boarding houses. Cards were distributed in all the big stores inviting young couples to come to the church parlors. Referring to the matter later he said: "There are books and up-to-date literature and games, and those who came enjoyed themselves. It is a great opportunity for the church. We have no ulterior motive, however. The opening of our parlors is not a move to increase our membership. It is simply offering a chance for the working young woman of St. Paul to have a cozy and comfortable place to bring their young men friends. We will provide chaperons for them and they will be taken care of."

Indianapolis Meridian Union met July 7, at 618 East Twenty-second street with Mrs. Dr. J. W. Maltby and her mother, Mrs. E. T. Pimm. As the W. C. T. U. of Indiana is so largely concerned in the question of County Local Option, the talk

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of Hon. Charles M. Lemon on this topic, was greatly appreciated. Mrs. Lizzie Hann gave an encouraging report of the Hadley Industrial school. Mrs. Hann stated the contributions were not yet sufficient to complete payment on the new well. The plan is still before the women, of individuals or unions paying for one foot or more, of the well, at \$1.25 per foot. Request was also made that unions select a room to furnish and to keep replenished as needed. Several unions in the state have accepted this plan and a number of the larger rooms are provided for. Hadley is fortunate in having a good matron and a good farmer and, I may well add, a faithful and competent board of managers. The union was then favored with two vocal numbers by Mr. J. L. M. Kerr, one a Scotch song, "Jessie's Dream," was especially sweet and touching.

Steuben County—The celebration on July 3rd at Lake James in Steuben County was a very enjoyable one. The Twelfth district was fairly well represented. Oliver W. Stewart was at his best and gave a fine address. The quartet from Auburn furnished excellent music and the gold medal contest conducted by Mrs. Elnora McNaughton was a great success. The class was made up of young people from five counties. The medal was won by Ned Ettinger of Angola.

Mrs. Amanda R. Shedd, president of Marshall County W. C. T. U. has the "Bide-a-Wee" cottage at Winona Lake. For White Ribboners this has become a mecca. All W. C. T. U. people who visit Winona should call on Mrs. Shedd and register in the W. C. T. U. calendar.

The National W. C. T. U. convention will be held at Omaha, Neb., October 22-27. By going via the Big Four and Missouri Pacific route those going from Indianapolis will leave at 3:00 p. m. and arrive at Omaha the next morning at 8:30 o'clock.

"Sketches of the life-work of Jonathan and Drusilla Wilson," has just gone into the hands of the printers. Will be ready for distribution by the 15th of August at 50c per copy. With bright hopes for the success of the cause that was so dear to both my father and mother.—Elizabeth C. Symons, Carmel, Ind.

A Program—Let nine girls dressed in white represent the nine prohibition states. Let girls represent all local option states, and wear gray circular capes over white dresses, the length of the cape being in proportion to the amount of local option territory. States without local option or prohibition are to be represented by girls wearing long black capes over white dresses. Each girl wears a crown bearing the name of the state represented. The states in black enter first, advance to the front of the platform, and sing, "Where's There's Drink, There's Danger," then fall back and the local option states take their places, and sing, "There's a Shadow on the Home." Enter the nine prohibition states who come to the center of the stage carrying a large flag and singing "We're Coming to the Rescue." The gray and black states circle round the prohibition states, and during the song drop their capes, first the local option states in the order of their prohibition territory, then the black states until all appear in white. The boys of the L. T. L. then march in singing, "The Coming Voters," and together give the National union motto "Tremble, King Alcohol! We Shall Grow Up." As they join the circle all unfurl small flags, which they have kept concealed, and boys and girls together sing "We're Out for Prohibition."—White Ribbon Ensign.

Mrs. O. N. Siebenthal recently organized a union of nineteen members among the colored women of Bloomington, with the following officers and superintendents: President, Mrs. L. A. Mason; vice president, Mrs. Eliza Eagleson; recording secretary, Mrs. Eliza Hill; corresponding secretary, Miss Mary Ladd; treasurer, Mrs. Lizzie Prophet; flower mission superintendent, Mrs. Mary Brown; press, Mrs. Ella Wood; Med. Temp., Mrs. Vessie Evans; jail and prison, Mrs. Mattie Fuller; contest, Mrs. Ollie Eagleson.

The Gibson County institute was held at Princeton in the Broadway Presbyterian church. The meeting opened Tuesday morning the 27th, led by Mrs. Lizzie Pfohl, the county president, who in a few well chosen words introduced Mrs. Ella Kroft of Bloomington, leader. The entire program was carried out as planned after which Mrs. Kroft gave a review of work mapped out by State and the National. During the afternoon session some very interesting papers were read, one by Mrs. S. J. Simpson on "History and Results of Local Option" another by Mrs. Will Ennis on "White Slave Trade of Today." The subject, "The Power of the Pulpit Used Aggressively Against the Liquor Traffic," was well handled by Rev. J. M. Gaiser, and "The Passing of the Saloon in the North, How and When?" by Rev. W. G. Law. On Tuesday evening a silver medal contest was held. There were five contestants, Master Kenneth Birchfield receiving the medal. His subject was "The American Boy's Appeal." Although young in years, he proved to be a talented speaker and masterful in his art. On Wednesday morning the institute opened at 9:30. Interesting papers were read by Mrs. McCurdy, Mrs. Mary Jenner of Evansville. The morning session closed with a paper on "What Can Be Done for Temperance by Young People's Societies," by Mrs. Ella Kroft. On Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 an evangelistic service was led by Mrs. Cenia Manse of Francisco. One of the best papers in the afternoon session was "Constitutional Prohibition and its Advantages," by W. W. Medcalf, husband of our local president. A very much appreciated piano duet was given by the twins, Margaret and Mildred Shaw, seven years

of age. The closing subject was ably handled by Mrs. Ella Kroft, "Prohibition Victories in the South."—Katherine Youngerman, County Press Superintendent.

Indianapolis Gray W. C. T. U., one month old has secured the signatures of 16 boys to the anti-Tobacco pledge. This union has ten paid members. President, Mrs. Bruce Shields 5758 Park avenue; corresponding secretary, Mrs. E. L. Steinmetz, 3825 Central avenue; recording secretary, Mrs. Ella Duthie, 3751 Park avenue; treasurer Miss Mary McClintock, 3755 Park avenue.

The Earl Park W. C. T. U. has been doing good work distributing literature on subjects of general interest. At the Fourth of July celebration held here July 3, 1909, a "rest tent" was furnished by the union. This tent was equipped with comfortable couches, chairs, etc., and was occupied throughout the day by tired mothers and sleeping children. 2450 pages of literature had been purchased for distribution from this tent and may be a power for good. One small boy upon reading the pamphlet, "Does it pay to use tobacco?" said: "Well, if cigars cost that much in a lifetime, I am never going to use tobacco but will save my money." The leaflet, "Don't Girls!" on purity was especially helpful, in view of the thoughtless actions of young girls, and the liberty allowed to daughters by so many careless mothers. The literature issued by the W. C. T. U. is one of the most powerful weapons in the hands of the women who are working for the general uplift of mankind. One little pamphlet may be the means of changing for the better the entire course of some life. Our union has also placed 100 copies of the Crusader Monthly in the Presbyterian Sunday school.—Mrs. Erma McMahan, Press Superintendent.

Boone County has a new union of ten members organized July 7, 1909 called the Mary Hendricks Union, at Millageville. President, Mrs. Luella Crostreet. Organized by County President.

Mrs. Emily McIntosh, our state superintendent of colored work, mourns the loss of her life companion who went home July 8. Mr. McIntosh was a staunch temperance man, he sympathized with and encouraged his wife in all of her W. C. T. U. work. Our cause has lost a valued friend. Mrs. McIntosh has the sympathy of a host of W. C. T. U. friends all over Indiana.

Evansville—Mrs. Belle P. Whitney writes: "In February we had a grand union memorial service for Frances Willard. Collection amounted to over twenty-two. Flower Mission day was observed by all the unions and on June 10th a special meeting was held. Reports were heard from those assisting in the work. I believe about one hundred bouquets were taken to "shut-ins," and others. Refreshments were served after the program. I enclose program of our Sunday School Rally which in spite of the hot weather was a great success."

Program:

Music—Selections by orchestra of Trinity M. E. Sunday School.

Song—America.

Responsive Reading—Led by superintendents. Prayer—Rev. Carl C. Aue, St. Marks Eng. Lutheran Sunday school.

Song—Onward Christian Soldiers.

The Values of the Quarterly Temperance Lessons—Rev. John Kennedy, Walnut Street Presbyterian Sunday school.

Song—Is It None of Your Business My Brother?, Floyd Grant Central M. E. Sunday school.

Our Mission—John Vernor, Bethany Christian Sunday school.

Protect the Boys—Harry Nuchell, Dan Eberwine. Grace Memorial Sunday school.

Temperance Son—Olive Jarboe, Twelfth avenue Baptist Sunday school.

Pictures From Life—Hazel Wilkes, First Baptist Sunday school.

Solo—Selected, Mrs. F. H. Ruff, Park Memorial Sunday School.

Class Exercise—The Saloon, First Christian Sunday school.

The Map With a Dirty Face—Clifford Dunthy, Central Christian Sunday school.

The Prohibition States—Class, Bayard Park M. E. Sunday school.

Song—Please Won't You Vote it Out?—Cumberland Presbyterian Sunday school.

How We Spend Our Money, illustrated—Jack Mitchell, Trinity M. E. Sunday school.

One Way to Help the Temperance Cause—Lucille Hicks, Howell M. E. Sunday school.

Orchestra Selection, Benediction.

The Danville W. C. T. U. observed Flower Mission Day on June 30. In the afternoon twenty-eight bouquets were made and sent to as many old people and shut-ins, several girls acting as messengers. In the evening a public meeting was held at the Friends church. Papers were read on "The origin of the day and our Local work," "Fanny Cassidy and her work," "The Present Outlook for Temperance work." Songs, recitations and a beautiful quartette by the choir of the Presbyterian church made a most delightful evening. The Union contemplates erecting a drinking fountain in the near future.—Lina Hinks, Sec.

Bluffton has had no open saloons since February 4th, the county having gone "dry" on that date by remonstrance. This is the first year in the history of the W. C. T. U. organization of Bluffton that there were no prisoners in the jail to be remembered with flowers on Flower Mission day. For more than two weeks the jail was empty for the first time in twenty years, and at this date—July 16—only one prisoner and he for larceny.

Booneville—Mrs. Jennie Kaegle writes: Hur-

rah for Warric county! Warric dry! I am sending you some of the bulletins the "wets" got out, but oh, I cannot begin to tell you the tactics they used. They used the carbon envelope. It is reported that they paid for votes from three to ten dollars. The "drys" worked like beavers. We are proud of our union for we did do everything in our power to help the men in the local option campaign. The women helped get out the bulletins, helped raise money to pay for them and saw that they were all distributed. It certainly did the work. On the day of the election we had prayer meetings from six in the morning until six in the evening, then at seven we gathered to hear the news and have praise service if we had good news. When the news came that we were victorious, I cannot describe it. You would have thought you were in an old fashioned revival. All denominations were represented and all rejoiced and praised God. There was shouting, crying, laughing, talking, not one dry eye in the house, but oh, so happy. The men came in later, just as jubilant as the women. They gave the women a vote of thanks for their help, and said if it had not been for their efficient help they never could have won. We had our parade Wednesday evening. It called out a crowd equal to a circus. The men said it was a grand sight and did great good. It certainly scared the liquorites. We had to have detectives or it would not have been safe for the women and children to have been in the parade. The men thought it best to notify the "wets" concerning the parade. Everything went off very quiet. We realize there is still work to do, but with the help of God who gave us the victory, we will be able to do the work.

Dearborn County has two new Loyal Temperance Legions, one at Mt. Pleasant the other at Mt. Hope. The West Fork L. T. L. is also a new Legion. All have been organized within the last three months by the county secretary, Mrs. Jennie Ward.

Mrs. Dr. Bridges of Plainfield Union, has been called to higher work. She was a loyal member, and faithful worker. For a long time the superintendent of Medical Temperance, her unassuming quiet disposition won for her the love and respect of all who knew her.—(Mrs.) Mary V. Furnas, Pres. of local W. C. T. U.

Montpelier—A diamond medal contest drew a large crowd. The first contest of the kind ever held in Blackford county and the people showed their appreciation by attending. Mrs. Julia Overman of Marion, state superintendent of medal contest department, was present and had charge of program. There were seven contestants representing Wells, Grant, Jay and Blackford counties. Miss Laura Deboy of Keystone won the medal. The musical numbers on the program were an attractive feature and all were of high order. Barnham's Juvenile Orchestra of Hartford City and Miss Harriett Putnam's Children's Orchestra combined, rendered some pleasing selections. Mrs. Barnham of Hartford City, who is an accomplished harpist, was present and gave a solo which was enjoyed by all. Other numbers deserving of special mention were the solos by Miss Seanor of Franklin, Pa., and Mrs. Claud Kramer the organ duet by the Misses Shannon and the reading by Miss Moudy, of Hartford City. Mr. Hanson H. Garrison, a student of Taylor University, at Upland, who has completed the course in medical contest work, was presented with a diploma by Mrs. Overman, after which he gave a fine reading. The members of the local union are elated over their success in securing the contest for this city and of the manner in which their efforts were appreciated by the public.

Our Promoted Comrades

MRS. MARY GARRET, Superintendent of the Flower Mission Department of the Montpelier W. C. T. U., died June 25. She was an earnest worker in the union. After a long illness she was taken to the Ft. Wayne hospital for an operation, but was too weak to be operated on. She was of a quiet nature and was always kind to every one. She was greatly interested in seeing the saloon banished from our land. She leaves four children who have the sympathy of the W. C. T. U.

MRS. CHAS. S. MILLER, Pres. Reporter.

MRS. GRACE SEARS—The Hanfield union suffered its first loss among its active members in the death of Mrs. Grace Sears. On Monday afternoon, June 28 her sweet gentle spirit took its flight. Those who knew her best loved her most. She was local Supt. of Mothers' meetings and although a constant sufferer for a number of months she attended the meeting held the first Wednesday in June.—GERTRUDE PHILLIPS, Secy.

MRS. CATHERINE BOORD, the beloved president of the Covington union, died at her new home in Attica, Ind., June 17th and was buried from the Presbyterian church in Covington the following Wednesday. Mrs. Boord took an active interest in everything that pertained to the state and national W. C. T. U. She attended the state conventions many years, and in 1905 she represented her district at the national convention. She returned from these meetings with a heart loyal to the organization and its officers. It is a sacred privilege to bear testimony of her noble character, of the uprightness of her life, of her devotion to her church and of the faith that grew stronger as she drew near her eternal home.—OLIVE E. COFFIN.

MARY J. SHRUM, died at her home in Salem, Washington county, aged 68. Mrs. Shrum was devotedly attached to her church and the W. C. T. U. Until infirmities prevented was always identified with their work, though absent from her place her interest never waned. On the day she was stricken the W. C. T. U. met at her home, although she was not able to see us, our presence was a source of comfort and inspiration. The end came to her so quietly and peacefully that friends beside her could only say, "She was not, for God had taken her." At the funeral it was a cause of deep satisfaction and gratitude to all the relatives and friends that her former pastor, so loved by her, Rev. W. G. Clinton, of Indianapolis, was able to officiate. With touching words he spoke of her devotion as wife and mother, who fully realized the fulfillment of Christ's promise; "I will come again and receive you unto my self, that where I am, there ye may be also."—FANNIE B. ELLIS, Salem, June 18, 1909.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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STATE CONVENTION.

The Thirty-Sixth Annual Convention of the Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet in the High Street Methodist Church at Muncie, Ind., Oct. 1-5. Each union is entitled to send its President, one delegate-at-large and one delegate for each twenty paid members. Lodging and breakfast will be furnished by the Muncie people. Other meals may be secured at the restaurants or hotels at the usual prices.

The Executive Committee will meet at 7:30 p. m. on Sept. 30 in the Friends' Church. It is hoped each member of the Executive will be in the city and receive her assignment in the afternoon ready for the meeting at 7:30.

Muncie is a beautiful little city located in Delaware County, with excellent railroad and interurban facilities. It will be practically "dry" by that time.

We are seeking to make this the greatest convention we have ever held. It will be. Come and help make it so. We are hoping to come up with 10,000 women in the Indiana W. C. T. U.

If I can serve you in any way with information, write me.

Yours,
CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

THE WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC.

The Chicago correspondent of the London Christian writes as follows of the arrest of one of the most noted procurers in that horrible business, known as the "White Slave Traffic."

The chief procurers arrested were named Du Fors. They were man and wife. Their bail was fixed at \$25,000 (£5,000). Furnishing their own bond, they gave the Government as security their own house and lot valued at \$35,000 (£7,000). The next day they left Chicago for Paris—thus forfeiting to the Government their handsome residence. Reaching France, they immediately resumed their shameless operations. But their traffic this time was in American girls. Recently they were caught, brought to justice, and sentenced to a French prison—the man for a term of five years, the woman for two years.

The district attorney came into possession of the book account of the Du Fors. The records of business transacted establish the following facts: That the White Slave Traffic is an organized syndicate, with headquarters in Chicago, and branch offices established in all our large cities. These houses become "clearing houses" and "distributing centers" for this unthinkable syndicate! It buys a girl for £3 and sells her for £30, sometimes £100! The Du Fors house alone did a business of 22,000 pounds the first nine months of 1908, and 40,000 for the year 1907! Regularly and systematically it sends hunters to France, Hungary, Italy and Canada for victims. It stations its hirelings at every port of entry in Canada and America. They scan immigrants, and seek to trap unprotected girls by speaking to them in their own tongue or by an offer of employment. Then follow in quick succession capture, ruin, slavery—hell!

There was a mass meeting of Protestant ministers, 1,000 in number, held in Chicago last month for the purpose of taking further action toward suppressing this horrible traffic. We are glad to note that the Christian citizenship of Chicago is being aroused by the amazing revelation to the enormity of this vile business. It is time for all Christendom to arise and stop this traffic in the souls and bodies of unfortunate girls. We can hardly conceive of a more dastardly crime, and a law should be passed affixing penalties commensurate with the outrage perpetrated.—Sent in by Mrs. Lou B. Hennaway to The Open Door, July, 1909.

The total receipts of Internal Revenue for the twelve months ending June 30, 1909, show a net decrease from spirits of \$5,311,095.00. To find the total decrease in the production of whisky, you divide this net revenue figure by \$1.10, which is the Internal Revenue rate upon each gallon of spirits. This will give you the shrinkage in whisky production in terms of gallons. The value of this whisky averages, according to the best authority, \$6.25 per gallon, so that multiplying \$6.25 by the number of gallons you have then found the total value of the shrinkage in whisky production for the year, which is \$30,176,675.

NASHVILLE'S FIRST MONTH

OF PROHIBITION.

Under its first full month of prohibition, Nashville, the capital city of Tennessee, shows a decrease in arrests for all causes from 1,058 under licensed saloons in July, 1908, to 684 during July, 1909 (no saloons), a decrease of 374. Arrests for drunkenness decreased from 303 for July, 1908 (saloons), to 109 July, 1909 (prohibition), a decrease of 194.

"Abolishing the saloon in Nashville was a revolution," declares the Nashville Tennessean in

comment. The first month's record is something to be proud of. Usually it is not easy for a people to throw off a curse that has permeated every avenue of life for a century. But Nashville has made a good start, and the gait must be improved as the records close on other months and other years."

The striking comparison shows up even more noticeably in the daily log book of the police court. For instance, July 30, 1908, there were 30 arrests with the wide-open saloon. July 30, 1909, under prohibition, there were 10 arrests. July 29, 1908, with saloons, there were 42 arrests; July 29, 1909, under Prohibition, there were just 20 arrests.

INDIANA'S SONG.

(Tune: "Annie Laurie.")

Indiana's heard the bugle,
O, army tried and true,
She is marching, she is coming,
To pledge her faith anew;
To pledge her vows anew,
To win or die with you!
You may count on Indiana
Till the stars fade from the blue.

Where your snowy flag is floating,
And white stars dot the way,
You may count on Indiana
In th' thickest of the fray;
In th' thickest of the fray,
Her "W's" lead the way,
Where your emblems white are gleaming,
The "W's" lead the fray.

You may count on Indiana!
Her "Y's" are in the van!
They are loyal, brave and bonnie;
Go vanquish them, who can!
Go vanquish them, who can!
Her "Y's" are in the van.
O, they're loyal, brave and bonnie!
The "Y's" are in the van.

You may count on Indiana!
Her children are a-field!
Yes, the "L. T. L's" are coming;
Their clarion call has pealed;
Their clarion call has pealed;
Not one brigade will yield
Oh, the "L. T. L's" are coming;
The children are a-field.

Sing this at county conventions and W. C. T. U. meetings. Learn to sing at state convention.

REPORTS.

Every local and county Superintendent of a department if loyal to herself and the cause will send a report of the work done promptly on time.

TREASURERS' REPORTS

must be sent on time if the membership is counted in this year's report.

LOCAL PRESIDENTS, see that your union's dues are all collected—urge the membership to help the Treasurer.

W. C. T. U. work is of so much importance that a local or county union can not afford to re-elect for an officer or a Superintendent a woman who has not been faithful and made a good report at the close of this year. What reason is there to think that she will do better next year.

At Muncie we should sing temperance songs. There are so many new songs published that we should be able to use many. Not until we sing temperance sentiments all over Indiana in our meetings will we have done our best.

Hebron Union held a membership contest, and increased their membership from eighteen to fifty.

Mrs. S. M. Stahl attended camp meeting at Desplaines, Ill., and enroute home stopped at Hammond and organized a W. C. T. U. of over thirty members.

WORLD'S TEMPERANCE CONGRESS.

The Twelfth International Congress on Alcoholism was held in London opening in St. Paul's cathedral, on Sunday, July 18, with a great attendance.

Dr. Legrain, Ville Errar, Paris, in his intensely interesting presentation of the subject of Alcoholism and Brain Degeneration, on Wednesday, July 21, noting the terrible ravages which the alcohol poison is everywhere making in the human organ, Dr. Legrain declared:

"Brain capital ought to have a vastly higher value in the eyes of the nations than financial capital has. Every nation ought to strive to protect this capital from every harm. It is most fitting that social poisons, such as alcohol and opium should be regarded with disquietude by all good citizens; and it is most reasonable that a movement shall be organized to bring about their gradual prohibition."

Dr. Legrain, continuing, pointed out that even temporary intoxication was in reality a brief attack of lunacy, and that after repeated doses of alcoholic drink, the brain changes have a tendency to become permanent.

"The transmission of the alcoholic evil," declared Dr. Legrain, "which sends out into the world dwarfed, degenerated, fallen beings for several generations, before it is extinguished, is the most deadly blow against the mental capital of a nation." Analyzing the underlying causes of the present world-wide devastation made by alcohol, Dr. Legrain concluded:

"Greed of wealth, demoralization, political indifference, and the weakening of the social conscience, have today allowed alcoholism to spread terribly. This is why the number of the alcoholic insane has grown fearfully. Society is full of persons soaked to the very marrow with alcohol, either pure or adulterated. Alcohol intermingles with the public and private life of most persons. Such habits cause derangements which alarm those of the clearest vision.

"There seems no more hopeful cure than the voluntary giving up of this brain poison. There is no means of general safety of greater value than prohibition. United efforts are justly directed against such poisons as lead and phosphorus, substances far less dangerous, with a view to their prohibition. With far more reason should similar efforts be put forth against alcohol. To refrain from doing this would be a distinct sign that we mean to bow before the modern deity, Mammon."

All W. C. T. U. women who have newspaper cuts are requested to take them to Muncie for use in local papers. This is for the sake of the cause. Please remember this request.

Place a wall pocket in your court house and depot and see that it is kept well filled with clean, up-to-date temperance literature. Not an easy task to do it as it should be done, but it can be done if there is a "will." "Change about," have a different woman look after it each month and see who will do the best.

Among the club women of the West there is a movement on foot to prevent the separation of children from their mothers on account of poverty. In Australia, they point out, if a widow with a family is left destitute, the state, instead of sending the children to an institution or to board in a strange family, boards them with their own mother.

Illinois Rally Cry.

Rah, Rah, Rah!

Illinois; Illinois;

We're all for prohibition,

Every one from Illinois,

Rum, we'll rout, with all our might,

He's taking now his dreaded flight.

Hurrah, our Illinois!

Governor Hanley of Indiana, said: "I would rather have the smile of approval from that little boy, saved from one of these dens of iniquity by my efforts, than the combined vote of the beverage liquor traffic."

Governor Hoch, of Kansas: "Not a single good thing can be said of the saloon. It is everywhere and always an enemy to society and good government. It imposes more burdens of taxation upon the people than any other agency in existence. No human interest is sacred to it. It is everywhere and always an anarchist."

Governor Folk of Missouri: "No liquor is sold in thirty-nine of the seventy-six counties. The Sunday closing of saloons has reduced Sunday crime 60 per cent."



Miss Laura G. Cammack
Converse, Ind.
State Y. W. C. T. U. Sec.

THE MESSAGE

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STATE W. C. T. U. CONVENTION, MUNCIE, IND., Oct 1st to 5th.

Ex. Committee Sept. 30th, 7:30 in the High Street M. E. Church.

TO MUNCIE TO STATE CONVENTION OCT. 1-5.
Every union should send its full quota of delegates to Muncie. The President, one delegate-at-large and one delegate for every twenty paid members.

Every delegate should be supplied with tablet and pencils and a full supply of good cheer.

Mothers! If you want your young people interested in the W. C. T. U. work take them to Muncie for Friday night, Saturday and Sunday of the convention.

Husbands will be far more interested in the W. C. T. U. if they attend the Muncie convention.

Local Presidents! For a display table at the convention at Muncie bring with you samples of all printed material gotten out by your union during the year. Copies of programs, songs, leaflets, posters, advertisements, &c. Secure copies of all Local Option campaign literature used in your community and bring for the help it may be to representatives of other counties.

The W. C. T. U. conventions must have new features. County Presidents should plan for new and interesting features. Reports and papers read are not enough beside the necessary business. Many children on the program singing real temperance truths and big maps representing "dry" and "wet" territory will be interesting.

A model "Temperance Sunday Program" on the platform would be an instructive feature.

The Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America closed the most enthusiastic and largely attended convention of its history in Chicago August 5. A parade in which nearly five thousand delegates and representatives of local Catholic Societies participated, took place in the evening of August 4, and a great rally in the Auditorium the same evening concluded the demonstration.

The Convention went on record unmistakably in favor of Prohibition and total abstinence, and the greatest of interest was aroused over the pointed replies made in the parade and elsewhere to the slurs of Mayor Rose of Milwaukee who, in his recent debates with President Dickie, represented the Catholic Church as friendly to the liquor traffic and opposed to Prohibition.

In an address by the Rev. James M. Reardon of St. Paul, the most earnest appeal was made for the education of the youth in the facts regarding the liquor traffic and the liquor habit. One of his most striking paragraphs was as follows:

"We are little less than criminally responsible if we fail to enlighten the minds, mold the character, and form the habits of the rising generation on this all important matter. From a study of alcoholic cases made by Dr. Lambert of the Bellevue Hospital for the year 1904, it was found that nearly 7 per cent began to drink before they attained the age of 12 years; 30 per cent before the age of 16; 68 per cent, or more than two-thirds, before the age of 21. This indicates clearly that if effective temperance work is to be done among the young it must be undertaken at an early age and continued beyond the span of youth."

STATE W. C. T. U. CONVENTION. Muncie, Oct. 1-5.

Committee Chairmen:

General Chairman—Mrs. Ella Bond, 600 N. Martin st.

Entertainment—Mrs. Edith G. Nuzum, 315 N. Calvert st.

Lunch and Hotels—Mrs. Nettie Hawk, 529 S. Garkey st.

Sunday Services—Mrs. Odessa Rayle, 431 W. Howard st.

Music—Mrs. Loretta Dille, 310 S. Mound st.

Press—Mrs. Isabella Morrow, 321 N. Calvert st.

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MRS. JULIA OVERMAN,
State Superintendent Medal Contest Department,
Marion, Ind.

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE.

Dear Comrade:

Ere this reaches you the blanks will have been sent out for the last reports of the year, also the "Officers' Blanks," all of which, I hope, will receive prompt attention. Every quarter I receive requests for blanks on which to report department work. These blanks are sent out by our state supts., most of whom call for reports only at the close of the year. If all organized counties and all local unions in unorganized counties will send the names of your supts. for next year to me in time to have them placed in our state directory it will save much writing, and will probably leave no occasion to wonder why reports blanks are not received.

At our coming convention we are expecting unusually good reports of our work over the state, and our day sessions will be given largely to reports and quizzes by our officers and supts.

On Friday night we will have the usual welcome addresses, but this part of the program will be short, in order to give time for Dr. F. F. Hutchins to discuss "The Medical Aspect of the Alcohol Question," which will be one of the most valuable addresses of the convention. Dr. Hutchins is Professor of Mental and Nervous Diseases in Indiana University School of Medicine and neurologist and consulting physician in Indianapolis Hospital. A fine speaker, and thoroughly conversant with his subject.

On Saturday night a grand diamond medal contest will be held.

On Sunday afternoon there will be a grand mass meeting in the convention church. The speaker will be announced later.

Also on Sunday afternoon, there will be a children's meeting in the Friends church in charge of Miss Clara Sears and Mrs. Geo. Denny.

On Monday night there will be a "March of the County Presidents," in which each one will be given one minute to tell of the best things that have happened in her county the past year, the gain in membership, number of new unions, &c. This will be followed by a "Demonstration" by the state supts., in which each supt. will be expected to represent her department of work. This is always one of the most pleasing features of our National convention and we hope it may prove so in our state.

These are some of the main features, but there will be many minor details of interest to come in as happy surprises, which must be seen and heard to be appreciated.

The early morning prayer meetings will be held in the Friends church, which is very near the convention church.

Appoint your delegates at your next meeting and send names at once to Mrs. Edith G. Nuzum, 315 N. Calvert st., Muncie.

And now dear ones, pray for our convention, that it may be a blessing to our hostess city and a great uplift to our work over the state, and that we may plan so wisely for our coming year's work, that the strongholds of King Alcohol may begin to tremble to their fall. Yours for service,

MARY E. WOODARD.

NOTICE.

Dear Sisters:

Mrs. Gulia Shugart, Marion, Ind., has been chosen to conduct the memorial services at convention. Will you please send to her the names of departed members with short sketch of their work that she may prepare for the service. Please send by Sept. 15. Yours,

CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

PENNANTS AND BANNERS.

At the mid-year executive it was decided to give the care of pennants and banners to the President and Secretary of Board of Superintendents. Now, in order to have them on display during the State convention. They must be sent to Muncie by Wednesday, September 29th, so the decorating may be done on Thursday. Will every county President whose county carried home a Department Pennant last year attend to sending them as directed. Send in care of Mrs. Amy Masters, 651 Berlin street, Muncie, Ind., Chairman of Decorating Committee. GERTRUDE FULTON, Sec'y Board of Supts.

MRS. PEARCE URGES PROMPTNESS.

Dear Supts.: Before many days have passed your reports must be in my hands in order that the advance sheets may be ready for the State Convention, which meets Oct. 1 at Muncie. The year now closing has been one long to be remembered by those interested in the prohibition of the liquor traffic. Many victories have been won for the cause we love and again, and again, we have exclaimed, "What hath God wrought?"

The W. C. T. U. has had a great part in these battles for righteousness, and we are anxious that some of their work shall be recorded in the Annual Report.

Let all Superintendents, local, county and State, be prompt in reporting in order that I may be able to send to the printer.

Remember: The reports must be in my hands by Sept. 20.

Hoping to see you all at Muncie

Lovingly yours,

ROSE PEARCE, Rec. Sec.

Darlington, Ind.

The Union Signal of Aug. 19 contains much valuable information. An article on Scientific Temperance Instruction in the Schools of the United States by Mrs. Edith Davis, and one on The Medical Temperance propaganda in America by Mrs. M. M. Allen are of great interest to our temperance people and should be read by the Christian ministers of our land.

Send this paper to ministers school teachers, college professors and other educated friends. Price two cents per copy, 50 copies or more \$1.75 per 100. Address The Union Signal, Evanston, Ill.

Drinking Fountains for man and beast should be erected in towns and cities by the W. C. T. U. In some places a well and good pump would be a blessing to the thirsty public.

County Conventions.—Much literature should be secured for distribution at every county convention. Hundreds of copies of the Union Signal and The Crusader Monthly should be used in the conventions, besides the latest leaflets. The Union Signal and The Crusader Monthly can be secured from Evanston, Ill.

For catalogues of publications send to Miss Ruby T. Gilbert, 131 Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Ill. The National Temperance Society, New York City, will send samples of excellent leaflets. The Indiana State Board of Health has issued a "Health Circular" that ought to be in the hands of every parent in Indiana. It is an Educational pamphlet. Send for several copies. Address The Indiana State Board of Health, State House, Indianapolis, Ind.

The picture of Miss Frances E. Willard should be given to a school building where the county convention is held.



MISS MARY E. WOODARD,
Corresponding Secretary, Fountain City, Ind.

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HOUSEHOLD ECONOMICS.

Dear Superintendents,

Last year I sent out report blanks without the asking; this year will only forward to all who desire them.

You have doubtless noticed that the new State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Dr. Ale, formerly of our State University, has decided to eliminate some of the studies of the school curriculum, to give place to others of more importance, one of which is the Science of Hygiene. This means much to our beloved organization, as it is in direct harmony with long and continual teaching. We will no longer have to implore legislation against the use of stimulants and narcotics, as it is a well conceded fact that impressions made in the school room in connection with the home outweigh all others. I have too much faith in Young America to believe when they learn scientifically that their bodies are sacred legacies from our Heavenly Father, to protect and develop and the more they are perfected, the more capable they are in advancing His cause, our efforts will be supplemented as never before. May we give as earnest co-operation to Dr. Ale as we gave to Dr. Wiley, is my prayer.

MARY A. MOODY,
State Supt.

219 E. Tenth St, Indianapolis.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP.

Dear Sisters:

I sent to county superintendents of this department, also to county presidents who have no C. C. superintendents, my report blanks. I hope you have sent them on to the local unions, and that very soon I may receive a full report of work done in this Department. I sent a blank for each union in the state as noted in the minutes. Reports must reach me by September 15.

GERTRUDE FULTON, Supt.

Portland, Ind.

LAW AND STATISTICS.

The following questions should be answered by all Presidents of unions that do not have a superintendent of this department. Of course if superintendent of the department will answer promptly so that the information may be received by the state supt., Mrs. Rowena E. Randle, Richmond, Ind., by Sept. 10.

1. Has your county voted? Give majority dry or wet.
2. How many saloons put out of business in your county? How many breweries?
3. How many arrests for drunk in county in 1909.
4. How many police in your county? What is total amount of their salaries?

(For information ask the chief of police and county auditor.)

Dear Franchise Superintendents and County Presidents:

This is the month for State reports—I trust you have something to report. We have not been as aggressive as we would like to have been—because of the Local Option Campaign—but of course there have been meetings held—Readings given, debates and contests decided. Please report every thing on this line of work. Study the leaflet with an interrogation point on front page. Some of the quizzes may be taken from it. Be prompt that we may be counted.

"A sphere with portals wide, to all of Human kind,
With no impeding laws, nor creeds of 'sex in mind.'"

(Mrs.) LIDA OUTLAND,
State Supt., Upland, Ind.

FLOWER MISSIONS.

The time for our final report is at hand, and yet we have time and opportunity to do much good in this beautiful department. Dear local Superintendent, please remember that the State Superintendent's report must be sent to the State Recording Secretary by Sept. 20. Previous to that time the final report must come from you. Last year seven of our best county reports came in too late for the State report. Do not delay but begin early to write your reports. I trust when you read this you will, many of you, have sent an excellent report to your county Superintendent. Any one who has not received blanks please send me a card and I will send them by return mail. Hoping and praying for full reports, and hoping to meet many of you at the State convention, I am

Lovingly yours for Flower Missions,

VIOLA R. HARVEY, State Supt.
Box 239, Mooresville Ind.

DEPT. OF PURITY IN LITERATURE AND ART.

Dear Co-Worker: If any of you who received the report card for the Department of Purity in Literature and art and have not returned the same to me before this "Message" reaches you, be sure to send it at once, and perhaps it will yet reach me in time to be included in my report to the State. I am very desirous of having a good report from every union in the State, and I feel sure that every union has done something in this department, if they will just report it, it will help so much in the general report. Do not fail but let me hear from you at once.

Very sincerely,

ELNORA G. McNAUGHTON,
Box 94, Ray, Ind., Steuben County.

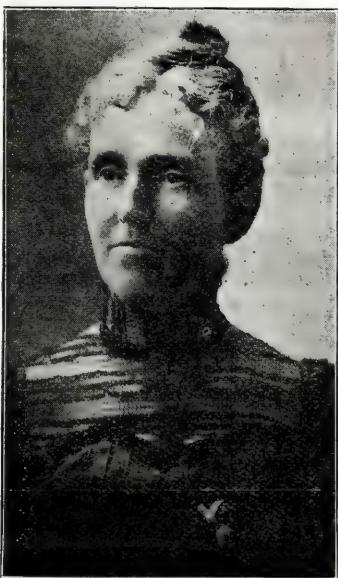
MEDICAL TEMPERANCE.

Dear Superintendents and President of Local Unions: Let me urge upon you again the importance of our department, the Department of Medical Temperance. Let us come up to the State convention this fall with the best report we have ever had. This will be impossible unless you keep a strict account of the work you are doing and send your report to me by Sept. 1st. Please put out all the literature your union can afford. If your union can't afford any, then hold a social or medal contest and let the proceeds be invested in medical temperance literature. Be sure to supply all the physicians in your community with a physician's package, which only costs you 5 cents. Send to Mrs. Martha Allen Mercellus, N. Y., for all literature for physicians. Get some temperance physician to write an article for your daily paper. We must educate the public upon the effects of alcohol upon the body as well as upon the subject of "Patient Medicine."

The family physician can help us do this work better than any one else. You can also get some splendid leaflets from the National Red Cross Society. "Physicians on Beer as a Beverage" and "Physicians on Alcohol" are both good and can be procured for just the postage by sending to Miss M. C. Metzger, 1530 Washington Street, St. Louis. My dear workers, do your best, for "in due season you shall reap if you faint not."

MRS. G. E. DENNY,
Madison, Ind.

Be sure to state your county when writing to me.



MRS. BELLE P. WHITNEY,
President of Vanderburg County W. C. T. U.

EXCHANGES.

Iceland, about half the size of Missouri, has "no jail, no penitentiary; there is no court, and only one policeman. Not a drop of alcoholic liquor is made on the island, and its 78,000 people are total abstainers, since they will not permit any liquor to be imported.

"There is not an illiterate on the island, not a child ten years old unable to read, the system of public schools being practically perfect.

"There are special seminaries and colleges, several good newspapers, and a printing establishment which every year publishes a number of excellent books on various lines."

Governor Glenn, North Carolina: "I am heart and soul against the saloon. After thirty years' experience as a prosecuting officer in the courts, I am firmly of the opinion that 60 per cent of crime is due to strong drink and that 95 per cent is indirectly caused by it."

Judge G. W. Stubbs of the Juvenile Court, of Indianapolis spoke on "The Saloon and the Boy" and told of instances which have come before him in the Juvenile Court in which a drinking father has been the direct cause of the presence of the boy in court. "Would to God that the local option law could wipe out every saloon in existence," said Judge Stubbs. He declared that nine-tenths of the boys who come before him on charges of delinquency or truancy have parents who are addicted to drink.

Bishop Newman writes of Africa: "I say it with all reverence, but so far as human eyes can see, Africa would be better off today without the presence of a missionary than that the ship that brings him should also bring strong drink." He adds: "Rum is the greatest barrier to our missionary work in Africa, and not only in Africa, but everywhere. If you can do anything, in the name of God, save the poor heathen. The work we do is quickly undone by the effects of rum; in other words, rum destroys in one year what we accomplish there in many years. We will fail in Africa unless we have the assistance of the Christian governments of the earth to suppress this terrible traffic."



MRS. KATE W. HOLLER,
State Superintendent of Sabbath Observance,
South Bend, Ind.

The purity of literature and art, the protection of the moral health of the generation and cleanliness of the nation demands that we at least bear testimony against this infection, this tendency to lower standards of thought.

The tendency to smoke in literature is a growing annoyance, and I have thrown several books aside, half read, because the tobacco odor oppressed me. The tendency to bring into continual prominence any small vice or disagreeable habit, even if it was harmless, in the literature of the generation, to go out of the way to introduce it over and over again when it is irrelevant to the story, and only detracts from it, is, to say the least, curious, and a blot on the progress of the art.

THE NATIONAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTION WILL BE HELD IN OMAHA, OCT. 22.

YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNIONS will please send full reports of work done and planned to the state secretary, Miss Laura G. Caffmack, Converse, Ind.

MARSHALL COUNTY has gained in membership as a result of the faithfulness of the old unions of which there are five that have for years been loyal and active in the fight for the home.

One new union is giving promise of efficient aid and prospect for the organization of another union before State convention. Marshall county is "dry." We expect every union to be represented at Muncie, October 1st.

THE FIGHT between the state of Indiana and Tom Taggart and Lee Sinclair, owners of the noted gambling resorts in French Lick and West Baden resulted in the gambling outfits to the value of \$30,000 being burned by the officers of the law in the street.

ON AUGUST 17 twenty one counties of South Carolina voted on Prohibition or the Dispensary. Fifteen voted dry. Six voted wet.

WINONA. Temperance week in charge of George R. Stuart of Tennessee was one of unusual interest. On the program were Gov. Glenns of South Carolina, Seaborn Wright, of Gr., Oliver W. Stewart of Ill., and others. The assembly W. C. T. U. has had some meetings. During the Bible conference much interest was expressed by White Ribboners in the project of permanent W. C. T. U. headquarters at Winona Lake. At Muncie no doubt there will be plans made by individual White Ribboners for the establishing of at least a REST ROOM next year at Winona.

DELEGATES. Every union should send its full quota of delegates to the state convention. Women of ability and deep interest should be selected. Delegates who are carefully selected and their expenses paid to Muncie will be of much greater help to the union than some women who are elected delegates because they are willing to go and pay their own expenses.

Field News

Miss Belle Kearney is open to engagements to October in this section of the country and will be until spring. Her address is 628 Library street, Evanston, Ill.

Morgan County convention was held at Mooresville. Mrs. Bettie Adams was unanimously elected county president.

The Jay Co. Institute was held in Pennville with Josephine Walmer as leader. Meeting opened with the county president in the chair. After the devotional exercise the county president gave the welcome address, and Mrs. Walmer responded in her own sweet, happy way which seemed to inspire all present with the same spirit. Mrs. Gertrude Fulton spoke interestingly on Abraham Lincoln as a prohibitionist. At night Mrs. Walmer lectured on a "Mother's Plea," to a good sized audience. The second day's exercises were opened with scripture reading and prayer and song ser-

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vice. The Misses Andrews of Pennville gave several selections of instrumental music. A paper by Millie Leavel of Redkey on "The White Slave Trade of Today," brought out a helpful discussion. Maggie Williamson of Redkey read an instructive paper on "Municipal Suffrage for Women." Mrs. Tormohlen of Portland read a paper on the "Passing of the Saloon in the North" which showed the rapid strides being made by the temperance forces. An interesting paper was read by Mrs. Snow of Dunkirk. Several ministers were present and gave good talks on "The Power of the Pulpit Against the Liquor Traffic." Freda Steed of Redkey gave two readings that pleased the audience. The ladies of Pennville W. C. T. U. served refreshments for all in attendance at the Christian church. Mrs. Walmer is a noble Christian woman and has done a good work in Jay county. Any county is fortunate that gets her for their leader. —Hannah H. C. Andrews, Co. Pres. W. C. T. U., Redkey, Ind.

Mooreville Union.—Under the leadership of our beloved president, Mrs. Rhoda Stalling, this union has held five silver medal contests since last March, and is preparing two classes for the Gold Medal. This has been the best year in the history of the Mooreville W. C. T. U. in attendance and interest manifested. The mothers meetings, superintended by Mrs. Margaret Thompson, with perhaps 75 mothers under its influence, has been a power for good and the interest in this department is growing rapidly.

Danville.—We are glad to send words of greeting and encouragement to White Ribboners through the medium of our worthy paper "The Message." The interest in W. C. T. U. work so far as engaged in your local organization bears unmistakable evidence of an increase. The general public does "take notice" and attends our public meetings and express approval of efforts that are made for the betterment of moral and helpfulness of the needy. Our Flower Mission day observance was a day of victory for our cause, as well as day of cheer and blessing to many who were graciously remembered with flowers and the appropriately printed Bible texts and eatable dainties of different sorts. The evening following Flower Day a public meeting programmed by local talent, was rendered. Editors were present and noted in the following issues fine comments on the excellent character of the meeting, which was accepted as "our bouquet" not alone of flower sentiment, but real endorsement and encouragement. Our present proposition, which is inciting greater interest than any undertaken is the erecting a "Drinking fountain" in our little city. The matter is in the care of a committee who have it before our county commissioners and already enough is known of their decision to give our women hope of giving our town a beautiful W. C. T. U. fountain. We are to have the "water free" which is said to be the best hydrant water in the State. Our interest in our Reading Cases abides; fresh temperance literature for the cause is in demand, as frequent visits to the cases by members of the union only to find them empty, testify to the demand for our literature. Send us some of your supplies dear readers, please, and oblige yours truly for God, Home and Native Land, to the annihilation of the American liquor traffic and saloon.—Sarah M. Hadley, Press Supt.

Muncie, Ind.—The Normal City W. C. T. U. held the annual picnic July 9, which occurred on the regular meeting day. The program was as follows: Song; Prayer by Rev. Asy; Devotional, Mrs. Martha Highman; Debate, Resolved that the elective franchise be extended to women, affirmative Mrs. Gal Calvert, Mrs. Mary Mathews, negative, Mrs. Edith Nuzum, Mrs. Girican. A few remarks were made on the subject by some of the gentlemen. A large number of members responded to roll call with scriptural texts, and several visitors were present. Supper was served to all.

Laporte union held an ice-cream social on July 28th. A play is now being prepared entitled "Signing the Pledge," which will soon be given. This union does not want to end the W. C. T. U. year with an empty treasury.—Mrs. Seth Pease, Press Supt.

Connersville.—On July 16th the W. C. T. U. ladies and their husbands gave Mrs. Etta Nickels, one of our charter members, a surprise on the occasion of her removal to Indianapolis. Refreshments were served to about 40 guests. Mrs. Nickels was presented with a silver sugar shell and butter knife. The guests departed at a late hour, wishing Mrs. Nickels success and happiness in her new home.—Mrs. Lulu Doner, Cor. Sec.

Redkey W. C. T. U. held a suffrage meeting Aug. 11th which created much interest. Following the business part of the meeting the program was taken up and Mrs. Millie Leavall led out on the topic, "Some Reasons Why Woman Should Vote." by asking each one present to give such reasons. The following are some reasons thus brought out briefly stated: Women should vote in order to crush out the liquor traffic, because it is woman's bitterest enemy and a curse to her and her children. God created man and woman equal, according to Scripture, and "gave them dominion over the earth." Women pay taxes and could improve the laws. It is morally right. Women are made responsible for the home and the rearing of the children and should have a voice in making and enforcing the laws regarding their surroundings. To save the boys and girls from evils men permit by license.

Woman could vote more intelligently, more girls graduate from the public schools than boys, The medical fraternity bears witness that the average woman is better morally than the average man. The church membership is two-thirds to three-fourths women, and how can it be a "church militant," as the clergy boast, when two-thirds to three-fourths of its members are deprived of the chief power to fight evil, virtually unarmed and commanded to take a back seat? A few men can plunge the nation into war and the women must submit to the burden of increased taxation and give their strongest and best husbands and sons to be devoured by it. Mrs. Millie Leavall read "Wooley on Woman Suffrage." Mrs. Sarah Steed gave Judge Lindsay's account of its working in Colorado. Mrs. Mina Williamson read a history of the progress of the woman suffrage movement, and Mrs. Maggie Williamson read leaflets on "Woman in the Home" and "Woman in the State." One new member was received into the union. Mrs. Kauffman was appointed to look after literature for the W. C. T. U. boxes.—Press Supt.

The Oxford W. C. T. U. visited the county farm. They took their luncheon with them and ate it on the beautiful lawn. In the afternoon Supt. Beran had all who live at the home assemble on the lawn, where they listened to a program of music and readings, which all enjoyed. Afterward each one was given a bouquet. The ladies were then shown through the home that is managed so finely by Supt. and Mrs. Berans. The day was ideal and one long to be remembered by all who were there. A public meeting was held the evening of July fourth in the M. E. Church. Mrs. Gillett presided and Mrs. Lilly Petree made an excellent address on "Christian Citizenship." Rev. Geo. B. Jones, of the M. E. Church, answered the question, "Is Our Nation Christian?" Rev. H. W. Steen on "Results of Local Option," said among other good things, that in this State the result will ultimately be State wide prohibition. One of the most helpful meetings of the W. C. T. U. for the year was that of July 23rd at the home of Mrs. May Wann. It was the regular "mothers' meeting" and Mrs. Wann, who is Superintendent of that department, had prepared an excellent program. The Misses Samuels, of Cayuga, assisted with the singing. The W. C. T. U. is striving to make the "mothers' meetings" of practical value to the mothers in the care of the child and the home. The interest was shown in the attendance, thirty-two ladies and six baby boys were present. Dainty refreshments were served by the hostess. Mrs. Hannah Ripple, a beloved member of the W. C. T. U. died very suddenly of heart failure at her home in Oxford, Ind. May 10, 1909. The funeral was conducted from the Christian Church the following Thursday by her pastor, Rev. D. N. Gillett. The W. C. T. U. held a brief service at the church. She was a faithful and devoted mother and earnest worker in the union. Those who knew her best loved her most. Her family have the sincere sympathy of the W. C. T. U.—Mrs. L. B. Evans, Press Supt.

The Harriet Brand Union of Indianapolis, met at the home of Mrs. Addie Smith Lancaster, 1235 Brookside avenue, July 6. The election was held and the officers were chosen as follows: Mrs. Lancaster pres., Mrs. Ida Darnell 1245 Brookside ave., secy; and Mrs. Laura Smith 1502 Brookside avenue treasurer. We are praying that we may be able to accomplish something for God, and Home and Native Land this year.

The Indianapolis Frances Willard W. C. T. U. met August 10 at Mrs. Shad's new home, Illinois and 37th streets. The air there seemed so fresh and pure, and with the large expanse of blue sky visible, one could imagine being transported to real rural scenes. Quite a number of ladies were present, and each one, in a few words, mentioned some circumstances for which she could be "thankful." Regretfully Mrs. Kemp mentioned a beer garden, where she saw a mother and daughter enter. What could one do? was the question. Removing the garden would not convert that mother and daughter, they would simply seek another one. It is too much like working from the outside. The reform must begin within. Prevention is our hope, beginning chiefly with the young. If the temperance movement continues its efforts, every generation will be better enlightened. The saloons and gardens will then close for want of patronage. In the meantime, every conceivable scheme is needed, that will tend toward this end. With these sentiments expressed, the discussion closed. The meeting was followed by an informal half-hour, during which Mrs. Shad gave beautiful flowers from her garden to each guests.—Mrs. McDermid.

The Gosport W. C. T. U. gave a flower mission program at the Christian church Wednesday afternoon, June 9. Miss Lillian Teague gave a paper on "The Advantage of Flower Mission Work to a Community." This was followed by a general discussion on the subject, "What Can I Do to Help?" By the talks that were given we were made to feel that it is not so much who actually needs flowers, jellies, etc., as it is who needs to know we think of and care for them. One may be surrounded with books and flowers, his pantry and purse may be full, while his heart and life may be empty of the love and good cheer that comes when one knows and feels that some one worth while cares for and is interested in him. At the close of the meeting bouquets were distributed among the sick. A mothers' meeting was held

Wednesday afternoon, June 24. The meeting was conducted by Mrs. Burton, supt. of that department. One reading that seemed to touch the hearts of many mothers present was given by Mrs. McClellan, entitled "Today." It must have helped each one to feel that in order to rightly discipline her child it must be given the loving, careful training today. That tomorrow brings her and her child past today's pleasures.

Tippecanoe.—A new union was organized in Colburn, Tippecanoe county. The meeting was held at the home of the county president, Mrs. Smock. The room was crowded with ladies, eleven of which gave their names as charter members of the new Colburn union. Members of the Frances E. Willard union of Lafayette were present and declared themselves fearless and persevering if Tippecanoe county did go wet.

John B. Hann, husband of Mrs. Lizzie C. Hann, President Board of Managers Hadley Industrial School died Sunday morning at his home, 3131 North New Jersey Street, Indianapolis. Services were held Monday evening and burial at Wabash, Ind., Tuesday evening. He had been ill for four years, spending his winters in California. Since his return in May, has been confined most of the time to his home. He was well known for his prohibition work throughout the State.

Indianapolis.—The prohibition meetings held recently under tents on Prospect Street, have been productive of much good temperance sentiment. The county President secured from there about twenty names of ladies who were organized into the "South Side" W. C. T. U. July 13. The meeting was held at the Emanuel Baptist Church. The officers are: Mrs. J. R. Henry, Pres.; Mrs. M. McDermid, Rec. Sec'y. There was much interest and enthusiasm shown and many ladies received appointments of work. It was decided to meet twice a month, for a time at least, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.

Mrs. J. W. Wadsworth, of 1611 Eastern avenue, Connersville, has some copies of local option literature, such as was used in the county campaign. Samples of these she will send to parties who write for them and enclose postage.

The Indianapolis Francis Willard Union held an interesting meeting at the Old Ladies' Home. The dear old ladies seemed really to appreciate it very much. Changes do not come often into their lives, but how blessed it is that they have a good home for their remaining years. Dear Mrs. Scott sang for them and Mrs. Hathaway repeated one of her own touching little poems for their especial benefit. The business part of the exercise was shortened and the devotional part a chief feature at this time. This union also remembered them on Flower Mission Day and we hope that some extra sunshine came into their lives.—Mrs. Mary McDermid, Press Supt.

The Bridgeport Union held a very interesting and profitable Children's Day at its regular meeting July 16th. It was given on the shady lawn of the Friends Church and a special effort was made to invite all mothers and their children. About seventy-five ladies and children assembled, and listened to an entertaining program given by the children, with music furnished by some of the young ladies, and two interesting talks by the wives of the pastors of the two churches, after which refreshments were served, and a very pleasant social hour enjoyed by all. This proved to be an excellent time for gathering in new recruits for our union and nine names were secured as applicants for membership and the names of nine little ones were added to our Cradle Roll. Our union is in a very prosperous condition, many new members having been added during the year, and a far greater interest in W. C. T. U. work in general being taken. We feel sure that this children's meeting has been not only an encouragement to us, but an inspiration in our community as well.

Lafayette.—Mrs. Jennie Conn, Supt. of railroad work for the Central Union, held a meeting at her home on Ferry Street Wednesday afternoon, at which time an interesting program was rendered. An original paper read by our State Superintendent, Mrs. R. P. Cole, was highly appreciated by all present. A social hour followed and refreshments were served. Our county President was with us and several ladies from other unions were visitors.

County Executive met at the home of Mrs. Henry Budge last Friday afternoon. Various subjects leading on both temperance and reform were discussed and plans begun for the coming County W. C. T. U. Institute to be held in September. It was decided to hold an all-day meeting at Columbian Park. Tippecanoe County now has nine unions, and the interest seems to be growing, the Soldiers' Home Union being organized at the spring institute.—Mrs. Lillian Hall, County Press Supt. and Cor. Sec'y of Central Union. 1913 Echo Street.

With the assistance of Mrs. Josephine Woods, of Syracuse organized a union at North Webster. Officers elected: Pres., Mrs. Emma Baugher; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Phoebe Daniels; Cor. Sec'y Mrs. Lida Warner; Rec. Sec'y, Mrs. Clara Rothenberger; Treas., Mrs. Alice Hile.

Our Promoted Comrades

MRS. SERENA RAMEY, one of our beloved members of Normal City Union, was called to the great beyond July 25th after a long illness. Although she was unable to meet with us often her heart was in the work. She leaves three little children and a husband with a host of friends to mourn her loss.

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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"SOCIAL CLUBS."

(By W. H. Blodgett, Staff Correspondent of The Indianapolis News.)

SULLIVAN, Ind., September 16.—Once there were sixteen so-called "social clubs" in Sullivan county. These clubs were incorporated under the state law and the ostensible purpose of them was "literary and social." In reality they were saloons under another name, saloons that did not pay any license, county or state, or even the government tax. The breweries did a big business sending in beer by the carload, more business in fact than if the purchasers had been legitimate saloons.

But there are no social clubs in Sullivan county now. Some of the "directors" are in jail, others are under bond and a few have paid fines. The promoters of the clubs have announced that they are ready to quit business and stay quiet if they are let alone. And what is the answer?

Sullivan county has a prosecutor who knows his business and is not afraid to do his duty. Prosecutor Walter Wood has shown that these clubs can be put out of business of the officers of the law go about it in the right way. Under the statute a corporation can not be sent to jail, but a corporation that is chartered by the state and does something not provided for in its charter, can be hauled up by the state, its charter can be taken away and the corporation may be dissolved. The prosecutor could have taken that plan, but he did not. Mr. Wood went after them under the criminal law.

Simply Saloons Without License.

So-called social clubs were in existence at Sullivan, Shelburn, Dugger, Star City, Hymera, Jackson Hill, Jericho, Carlisle and Bright Light. Every one of these institutions, though chartered by the state was simply a saloon. The manner in which these clubs are operated has been told. The members put up their money with an agent, the brewery sends the beer in cases to the agent of the club members and puts the name of each purchaser on the case of beer he is supposed to have bought. The pretense is that when the members go to the club-room each member drinks only his own beer. A search warrant was placed in the hands of James H. Willis, city marshal, and he raided the club here. He found in the club-room only three cases out of eleven that had the names of members on them. The membership of the club was eleven, but fifteen men were drinking in the room when the raid was made. Marshall Willis arrested Marlow Vermillion and Rollo Boone, two of the supposed directors, and they, being unable to give bond, have been in jail three weeks, and the Independent Club of Sullivan is but a memory.

At Hymera, a mining town in Sullivan county, Prosecutor Wood held a court of inquiry and had a lot of witnesses before a justice of the peace to ascertain just how the Hymera Hickory Club was conducted. He found that the Terre Haute Brewing company furnished the refrigerator and the beer to put in it for the club. The testimony brought out the further fact that the brewing company charged the club members \$1.65 for each case of beer and the club charged its members \$1.95 in dues for each case, thus making a profit. At Hymera the club was supposed to be a literary organization and Mr. Wood asked the witnesses as to their literary entertainments.

A "Literary" Debate.

"Did you ever have any debates at the club meetings?" asked Mr. Wood of a witness.

"Oh, yes; certainly," the witness answered.

"What question did you debate?" persisted the prosecutor.

"Well, we talked about a chicken fight one time."

That settled the literary end of the club and Walker Wilson and Fred Pinkston, two of the "directors," were bound over to court for operating a blind tiger.

Another court of inquiry was held at Shelburn and six "directors" were arrested for violating the blind tiger law. Five of them gave bond, the other one is in jail. Prosecutor Wood and his courts of inquiry brought out sufficient evidence to put any one of the clubs out of business and the officers confiscated a large amount of drink. He showed, beyond the shadow of a doubt, that these social clubs are nothing but saloons and are organized for the purpose of evading the local option law in territory where the people have voted out the saloons.

"There are three points in the law that these so-called clubs violate when drinks are served," said Prosecutor Wood. "By the provisions of the statute a brewing company, which is a wholesaler and manufacturer, can only sell its product to licensed retail dealers, and when the brewery sells to any one else they are guilty of violating the blind tiger act. And when they sell to so-called club members, the club members are guilty of aiding and abetting the brewing company in the violation of the law. And again, the presence of intoxicating liquors, beers, etc., in any building

except a bona-fide private residence is prima facie evidence that the liquor is there to be bartered, sold or given away. The law on that subject is very plain."

"How about liquor in drug stores?"

"The provisions of the blind tiger act do not apply to drug stores," replied Mr. Wood with a smile. "And another point on which I contend that the clubs are illegal is the fact that when the liquor or beer is disposed of to club members it is a straight-out sale."

"Could not these clubs be put out of existence by revoking their charters?"

"Yes, that could be done. They have a charter for one thing and do another thing under it. The prosecuting attorney could bring ouster suits and have the charters revoked, but there is no need of anything like that. The criminal law is strong enough."

So here is a prosecuting attorney who has found a way to abolish the "social clubs" that threaten to overrun every part of Indiana where the saloons have been voted out by the people.

It is just a question whether the prosecutor of any county wants to get rid of the clubs or not. Prosecutor Wood has shown how it can be done.

Dr. J. N. Hurty, Secretary of the State Board of Health, is agitating the subject of proper regulation of the sale of drugs which contain dangerous narcotics.

He is quoted as saying:

"Only a short time ago I observed a case which would have convinced me fully, had I not been convinced before of the need of a proper regulation of the sale of patent medicines containing dangerous drugs," said Dr. Hurty. "A young man came to my office carrying a small bottle of catarrh snuff, such as is for sale in a large number of drug stores in this city. He told me that his wife, a most excellent woman when he had married her two years before, had become addicted to the use of the snuff and that in the preceding twelve months her nerves had become shattered from its use and she spent almost all her time sitting in the kitchen at their home, sniffing it. For some time, he said, he had furnished her money to buy the stuff, but, observing its effects on her, he had refused. After that, he said, his wife would stop at nothing, even theft, to obtain money with which to buy the stuff."

Cocaine in the Snuff.

"I recognized the snuff at once as a preparation carrying a large percentage of cocaine, and told my caller that his wife had become a confirmed cocaine fiend. When he asked what he could do to break her of the habit, I told him there was nothing, that the self-murder must go on, and go on it did. The habit had become fixed and as long as the drug was procurable there was no possible means of saving the victim, except to make it absolutely impossible for her to obtain the drug."

"That is what we wish to do by law—make it absolutely impossible for any one, except in most pressing need, to obtain the drug and the need must be attested by a responsible physician."

Rev. J. G. Beane, vice president of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America in an address before that organization at Chicago in August said:

Soda Fountains Assailed.

The soda fountain as a foe to temperance was depicted by Rev. James G. Beane, of Pittsburg, vice president of the organization. Rev. Father Beane's attack was made in his annual report, delivered at the afternoon session, and was applauded by enthusiastic delegates.

Certain of the so-called "soft drinks" sold in drug stores were declared by the speaker to be the "curse of young women and young men patronizing soda fountains."

"There has spread over the country, like a devastating pestilence, an evil that we are led to overlook or that we do not recognize," said Father Beane. "This evil is striking down thousands of our youth every year, yes, every month, and it is not the saloon; it has the active hostility of the saloon, because for the present it is not a benefit, although it will become shortly a feeder for the saloon; and that evil is found in the drug stores and soda fountains of our country, where malt extracts and popular drinks that contain cocaine, and caffeine, and sirups heavily charged with wines are sold. By drinking such so-called temperance drinks, many a respectable young woman who would never enter a saloon has acquired the taste for drink without knowing whence came the desire. Here is a hidden enemy striking in the dark, striking the innocent victims who believe they are taking harmless, wholesome drinks. It is most important that the delegates realize the danger in these drinks and carry home the warning to their societies, and be prepared to wake an active warfare against what is proving the downfall of many."

DRINKING LESS WHISKY, USING MORE TOBACCO.

(To Indianapolis News.)

The Indianapolis New Bureau,
44 Wyatt Building.

WASHINGTON, August 3.—The wave of prohibition that has been sweeping over the United States in the last few years cost the government \$7,641,978.42 in revenue during the fiscal year ended with June 30. The loss is figured from a comparison with the returns from spirits and fermented liquors in the fiscal year preceding. Of this big sum the heaviest loss was traceable to the decreasing manufacture and use of whiskies. Beer, porter and other similarly fermented liquors came next in the proportion of lost revenue to the government.

In his report to Secretary of the Treasury McVeagh the acting commissioner of internal revenue, Robert Williams, Jr., sets forth some interesting figures. The revenue from whisky fell off more than \$5,500,000.

Using More Tobacco.

A peculiarity of the report is that the people of the United States, while throttling thirst, have let their craving for narcotics apparently go unchecked. The increased revenue from tobacco exceeded \$2,000,000, and the army of cigarette smokers contributed a good proportion of this, the increased amount paid in as a result of the growth of the habit over last year being \$722,245.30. That the cigarette is supplanting the cigar is shown by the fact that the loss of revenue on cigars over the previous fiscal year was nearly a half million dollars.

In summing up his report, Acting Commissioner Williams declares that losses are attributable to the falling off in consumption of certain commodities. The decrease in distilled spirits consumed exceeds five million gallons, and in ale and beer nearly 2,500,000 barrels. There were 152,185,830 fewer cigars smoked. On the other hand the cigarette smokers of the country burned up 703,105,065 more cigarettes than in the previous year.

A CALL FOR THE OBSERVANCE OF WORLD'S TEMPERANCE SUNDAY.

The Fourth Sunday in November of each year has been designated "World's Sunday School Temperance Sunday."

The highest ecclesiastical bodies of nearly all denominations have given recognition to this day. The appointment is also made by the International Sunday School Convention, through the International Lesson Committee, and provision is made for a World's Sunday School Temperance Lesson.

The drink curse is world wide, and young people in particular should be taught that it is a crime against the nation and a sin against God. It is fitting therefore that the subject be presented from both national and personal points of view.

We therefore call upon all Pastors, Sunday School Superintendents and Teachers, all W. C. T. U. workers in the Sunday School and all Friends of Temperance Teaching in the Sunday School to make the observance of World's Sunday School Temperance Sunday, a notable occasion. Let it be the great Annual Temperance Field Day for the Sunday Schools of the World.

MRS. WILBUR F. CRAFTS,
Supt. Sunday School Department, World's W. C. T. U.

MRS. STELLA B. IRVINE,
Supt. Sunday School Department, National W. C. T. U.

For Programs, Pledge Cards, Literature, and all materials needed for Sunday School Temperance work send to The Sunday School Temperance Bureau, Riverside, California. Sample package 35 cents.

For programs, literature and much helpful information needed for Temperance work in the Sunday School send for free samples to Presbyterian Temperance Committee, Room 72, Conestogo Bld., Pittsburg, Pa.

URGE TOBACCO CONSUMPTION.

Manufacturers Plan Campaign Against Anti-Weed Activity.

CHICAGO, Sept. 3.—The National Allied Tobacco Trades Association, composed of men of the industry from all parts of the country, was formed here today for the purpose of a cross-campaign against anti-tobacco activity. In educating the consumer in the use of tobacco the association will work through the retailer and endeavor to enlist physicians and scientists in the cause.

The headquarters of the association will be in Chicago.—Indianapolis News.

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The Message extends sincerest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Stout who have recently been married and established a home near Oak chapel with address, Marion R. R. No. 7.

Mrs. Stout was Mrs. Sallie Shugart Edgerton, our loved White Ribboner and Evangelistic worker.

J. G. Dailey Music Co. of 4918 Kingsessing Ave., Philadelphia, Pa., has many excellent temperance and gospel selections.

"Prohibition Chimes" at 25 cents postpaid would be a great help in arranging for a public meeting. It contains "Papa Be True to Me," "The Dawning Day," "More Religion Needed Inside," "We Conquer or Die," "Keep a-Goin'."

Every temperance family should have temperance music in the home. At every temperance meeting there should be temperance songs sung.

If the W. C. T. U. meeting is well planned there will be at least one temperance song and one short reading.

Few temperance or W. C. T. U. songs are known or sung by our local unions.

With this new year suppose Each union LEARNS the Indiana Song, 'Some Glad Day,' the Crusade Glory Song, and at least three other temperance songs.

At public meetings arranged by the W. C. T. U. there should be temperance songs, temperance readings and temperance literature distributed.

Successful public meetings are seldom arranged for and advertised in less time than three weeks.

How long will it take women to realize the necessity of announcing and advertising a meeting if they expect "the people" to attend.

A recent county convention was held two days and one evening. Families living near the church arranged to attend on the second evening had not heard that there would be only one evening meeting. In reply to a question concerning it a prominent W. C. T. U. worker replied well "it was given out on Sunday in the church." Persons not members and who did not attend that church could not have heard the announcement. Successful commercial enterprises advertise largely.

World's Temperance Sunday is the last Sunday in November. In every community special arrangement should be made NOW for a splendid program for the Sunday Schools on that day.

Write now for samples of literature, programs, &c. Interview Sunday School superintendents right away and impress upon them the fact that this will give opportunity for several members of classes to help on the program by readings, songs, &c. Such a program will arouse an interest in the Sunday School and bring a large attendance on that day.

Have an announcement or publish the "Call for the Observance of World's Temperance Sunday" in the leading newspapers with comment that no doubt all the Sunday Schools will observe this World's Temperance Sunday.

The publication of the "Call" would cause many people to think about the good that could be accomplished and arouse to action many an indifferent Sunday School superintendent who would not care to be considered "behind the procession."

Right there at the end of the procession is every Sunday School superintendent who is not on the alert to help the temperance cause.

PROMINENT INDIANAPOLIS WOMAN CANDIDATE FOR SCHOOL COMMISSIONER.

Miss Mary E. Nicholson is a candidate for school commissioner and a strong organization is backing her. It is indeed fitting that a woman of the rare ability, discretion and experience of Miss Nicholson should become a member of the Indianapolis School Board. For more than thirty years Miss Nicholson has been most intimately connected with the schools of Indianapolis as a teacher and later as principal of the Normal Training School. Concerning her candidacy a prominent Indianapolis woman said:

"Miss Nicholson has been recognized by the highest educational boards, the council of education and the National Teachers' Association. One better fitted for the place, in training and in personality, can not be found. It is upon these grounds that we will ask the men to vote for our candidate."

Before a name can be filed as a candidate for Indianapolis school commissioner a petition to the election board must be signed before a notary public by not less than three hundred voters who are householders. Miss Nicholson's petition was largely oversigned. Many people recognize the desirability of having a woman on a board so vitally related to the home and are enthusiastic in support of Miss Nicholson. The election will occur in November. The election of school commissioners is non-partisan, the candidates' names will be on separate ballots from those of other officers.

Remember this fact and urge voters to bear this in mind. Begin today to talk to voters about this matter and appeal to them to vote for Miss Nicholson.

NATIONAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTION WILL BE HELD AT OMAHA, NEBRASKA, OCT. 22-27.

Every delegate elected should go on time and remain during the entire time.

Visitors are very welcome. All friends of the W. C. T. U. are cordially invited to go.

FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

The fortieth anniversary of the organization of the National Prohibition party will be celebrated at Chicago on Sept. 24th. Three great meetings are to be held, a public meeting in the afternoon, a reception at five o'clock and a banquet in the evening. At the banquet addresses will be made by former national candidates and by members of the National Committee. From our State Hon. Felix T. McWhirter, treasurer of the National Committee, will respond to the toast "The Prohibition Party—The Hope of Labor."

Other speakers are: "The Prohibitionist—a Pioneer"—Col. Sobieski; "An Educator," Dr. Cranfill; "A Champion of Free Speech and Free Press," A. G. Wolfenbarger; "A Constructive Statesman" Oliver W. Stewart; "A Patriotic Politician," W. G. Calderwood; "The Prohibition Party—the Advance Agent of Prosperity," Hon. A. A. Stevens; "Attitude Toward Other Great Reforms," Finley C. Hendrickson; "National Prohibition—the Next Step in Political Reform," Dr. Dickie.

The editor of the Message will attend this notable anniversary with her husband and will report some of its proceedings in the November issue.

(Associated Prohibition Press.)

WHEN FRANCE refused to loan money to the Finnish government because of its prohibitory law, it is now stated that the loan was secured from England without any difficulty whatever. All the newspapers of any influence in the Finnish language are refusing to accept advertisements of alcoholic drinks. In no house or club of Finnish workmen is the serving of alcoholic drinks allowed.

"THE LIQUOR TRADE has not yet seen its worst days," declared the Financial World, New York and Chicago, the well-known banking journal, and it continues under the editorial headline 'Growth of the Prohibition Wave': "That the investors in stocks and bonds of the breweries and distilleries are looking to the future with the greatest misgivings is not surprising. The opponents of the liquor industry have the powerful press, the churches and the women's organizations on their side, and the outcome of their war on the saloon seems hardly to be in doubt."

TEXAS has only twenty-four totally wet counties. In 1887 there were only five totally dry counties. County Prohibition now prevails in 157, and Prohibition is in force in large parts of the 64 remaining counties. In the Northwestern section of the Lone Star State there are 80 dry counties in one solid block, covering an area of nearly 75,000 square miles.

ONLY THREE COUNTIES in West Virginia are wholly wet, namely, Ohio, Fayette and McDowell. Forty counties are dry, and 12 are dry with the exception of one or two places. There are still 600 saloons, but Superintendent R. P. Hutton declares West Virginia will be dry in less than four years.

In four weeks of enforcement of the Sunday closing law in Newark, N. J., Monday's deposits of the workmen in four banks increased \$57,000.



MRS. LIZZIE HEATH
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Sept. 6-10 at the State Fair we had space contributed for a booth which was beautifully decorated with our banners, flags, charts, pictures, &c. Ice water, rocking chairs and couches were provided for tired mothers.

Many friends interested in Temperance registered with us. I spent the week at the booth, with the splendid help of the local women we were enabled to distribute 61,000 pages of literature and 3,000 postal cards.

The courtesies shown this line of our work by the Fair officials were much appreciated. There could be no better place than the Fair grounds, especially the State Fair to present our work display and distribute our literature and bring the stray W. C. T. U. sheep again into the fold, and let the people of this vast state, who flood the grounds and buildings at this time know that God and Temperance are a living issue. No other religious or philanthropic society is ever represented.

YOURS FOR SERVICE.

FROM EXCHANGES.

The Business Men's Association of Creston, Iowa, reports that out of 100 men who pay their bills promptly, only three are drinking men.

Three years prohibition in Union County, S. C. decreased drunkenness fifty per cent and increased the valuation of property \$2,000,000.

The true temperance method is one of education and elimination. It educates the people and eliminates the saloon.

The last addition to the Prohibition column, from the large cities, is Worcester, Mass., with a population of over 143,000.

Many thousands of dollars' worth of opium pipes have been publicly burned in China of late. "The smoke of these fires of freedom and reform will perfume the world."

Science once said: "Let the fittest survive." The Church of Christ says: "Fit as many to survive as possible."

The wettest county in West Virginia has fifty-two more prisoners in the penitentiary than the thirty-two dry counties combined.

No city or colony, or land company or manufacturing plant, or any other place in civilization ever advertises liquor saloons as among its advantages when seeking to attract people to their neighborhood.

Good Saloons and bad have alike only one product—debased manhood, ruined families and increased vice and crime.

We have never found a saloon where whisky would not make a man drunk, or one that would not send its patron out to make a fool of himself, or one that would not send a man home to terrorize his family.

A MOURNER WRITING A LETTER ABOUT PROHIBITION IN BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

I was in Birmingham the other day. You know it is a "dead town." Prohibition killed it. Since it dried up, the railroads running through it have built a Union Station at a cost of \$2,000,000. The railroads knew nobody would ever come to this dead town, but they wanted a big station anyhow hence the \$2,000,000 investment. A nine story office building has just been completed. The builders of course do not expect those offices to be occupied, hence this investment. The Chamber of Commerce has just built a six story building. No commerce is expected to exist in Birmingham, but the business men built a six story building just for amusement. A sixteen story building has just been completed also. The owner of this building had a lot of surplus money and knowing the town was dead and that no further business would ever be transacted, he just wanted to put his money where it could not be lost. He does not want all these offices to be used. A company is now being organized to build a \$1,000,000 hotel. The stockholders do not expect any guests to come to the dead town but they just wanted to invest \$1,000,000. The Empire

Building fifteen stories is now being constructed and is almost half completed. This is being erected simply as a monument to mark the place where life once existed. This building would be a credit to a live town. There are no vacant houses either in the business or residence parts of the city. New homes are being constructed by the dozen. I saw these things with my own eyes, and yet Birmingham is "dead." Bowling Green, Ky. is dying the same way.—A Mourner, in Exchange.

Field News

Brightwood Union has been too busy to write for sometime. May 19, Rev. C. M. Fillmore gave his lecture on "Mother," in the Brightwood Congregational church. June 22 we held a lawn fete on the R. R. Y. M. C. A. lawn. We gave Hadley school \$5.00 toward the new well. Mme Jarley and her wax figures were quite an attraction at this fete. July 22 we took the L. T. L. children to Garfield Park for an all day picnic, which the children enjoyed very much. We have had three county workers to visit our meetings this summer. Mesdames Heath, Miller and Morgan, county treasurer, superintendents of R. R. work and Sabbath observance, respectively. We used the Crusade Pledge cards in a membership contest, gaining twelve members. The Blue side won by two members. We gave to Door of Hope 11 jars of fruit and 4 glasses of jelly. We are planning a rummage sale to be held soon by which we hope to add quite a neat sum to our treasury.

Posey County W. C. T. U. met in convention at Poseyville in the M. E. church, Thursday, Sept. 16, morning and afternoon. The entire morning session was devoted to the business of the county union, after the convention was opened with a devotional service consisting of songs and prayer and the reading of the 103rd Psalm—this was conducted by Mrs. May Cleveland. After roll-call of the officers there was a brief review of the year's work of the two unions forming the county union. Reports were given of good work in some of the departments. Some red letter days had been observed as "Frances Willard Day" and "Flower Mission Day." A state lecturer had given six lectures in the county and an effort had been made to organize new unions but no permanent organizations were effected. The Press superintendent of Poseyville, when giving her report expressed their gratitude to the editor of their papers for past kindness. The matter of sending a delegate to the state convention, to be held at Muncie, Oct. 1-5, was next considered and Mrs. Lou Rogers was chosen to go. The county treasurer gave her report which showed a small balance on hands after sending on State and National dues. The annual election of officers was the last business of the morning. The following were chosen: President Mrs. Lou Rogers, Poseyville; vice president, Mrs. Chas. Copeland, Poseyville; recording and corresponding secretary, Miss Inez Lysle Williams, Mt. Vernon; treasurer, Mrs. May Cleveland, Poseyville.

The afternoon session was opened with a devotional service conducted by Mrs. Rogers; she read the Crusade Psalm and Rev. Rader led in prayer. Mrs. I. Fletchall next read a paper on the subject "The Great Mothers of the Bible," in which she interestingly gave a brief account of some of the Bible mothers, beginning with Eve, "so chosen because she was the mother of all living" and closing with Mary, the mother of Jesus. This was followed by an instrumental duet by the Misses Fletchall which was beautiful and faultlessly rendered. Rev. Rader, of the Christian church of Poseyville, gave an address on "How Can the Church Co-operate in a More Effective Temperance Work?" in which some splendid points were given. In the course of the address he spoke of the success of the Prohibition in Alabama and in Kansas, too, saying he knew whereof he spoke since he had been there. But he reminded us that a Prohibition law is just as sure to be violated in some instances as is the law against theft or murder, and those laws have been in the statute books for years. "But," said he, "let us make it easy for the law to be kept." He also said that the liquor element realize that it is not just a few fanatics who advocate the temperance and a temperate life are things thought out and lived and become an accepted thing with the Christian people of today. Miss Lura Davis sang a beautiful sacred solo. A paper on "Why Should Scientific Temperance be Taught in the Schools," was read by Miss Inez MacGregor. The facts were brought out that the W. C. T. U. has secured the passing of laws in each state of our U. S. requiring the teaching of the effect of alcohol and narcotics on the human system in all public schools including army and navy schools. In this way, by agitation and education our Union is helping to secure the observance of these laws. Rev. Bradbury of the Gen'l Baptist church of Poseyville, gave an interesting and helpful address on "What Can Be Done for Temperance by the Y. P. Societies." He spoke of its being one of the hopeful signs of the times the fact that the young people are doing things along these lines—that we can afford to be optimistic and not discourage just as Luther and his co-workers during the reformation when much of discouragement was to be

found, when he learned that a group of youths were congregated and were praying for the reformation; took heart and went to work with renewed life and hope and won the victory. He said 'tis a hopeful sign that so many young people now consider strong drink a decidedly bad thing, when once they spoke tolerably of it, and that "we are striking at the roots," when we put the work into the hands of the young people. After a few closing remarks by the president, the convention adjourned.

Franchise report of Jay county at annual convention at Dunkirk, Ind., Sept. 17, 1909: "Some movements in history have been brought about by the stroke of a pen or the sudden uprising of the people, like a great tidal wave, sweeping every thing before it, others have come more slowly as the result of years of effort." Seventy years ago women could not vote anywhere except to a limited extent in Sweden and a few others places in the old world. Now they have equal political rights in the States of Colorado, Wyoming, Utah and Idaho, and in New Zealand, Isle of Man, Australia, Tasmania and Finland, and while many states and countries have conferred limited suffrage. The past year has seen many victories. More and more the "Leading Periodicals" open their pages to the cause of Woman Suffrage. In commenting on the election of Ella Flagg Young as superintendent of the Chicago schools, "The St. Louis Mirror" says: "A woman has been made superintendent of public schools of Chicago, at a salary of \$10,000. But the laws of Illinois do not permit such a woman to vote. Woman has demonstrated an intelligence equal to the demands of most important and complicated affairs of a complicated civilization, but her mind isn't equal to the performance of a function which we freely accord to the lowest and most ignorant classes of the male population. We 'revere' and 'idolize' woman, but we don't give her credit for the simplest common sense. If all women do not want to vote, they need not but for that reason it is absurd to deny the ballot to the intelligent women who do want it and can and will use it for their own benefit and that of the general public. I believe the true underlying reason why most men do not want women to have the vote is that women would make an end of hypocrisies in politics. Women are honest, save as man's domination has made them otherwise. Women with the ballot would not stand for the miserable subterfuges whereby politicians contrive to palm off upon the people shadows for substances. The woman who has been made superintendent of public schools of Chicago has the most important administrative and executive office of any woman in the world. If she doesn't go straight to the mark of perfecting the efficiency of the schools it will be for no other reason than that she is subordinate to a school board."

Thirty-four states write encouragingly of their work for Woman's Enfranchisement. Co-operation of the "Equal Suffrage Association" has proved helpful in twelve states. The National Progressive Woman's Suffrage Union has invited foreigners to its headquarters to learn English, and become familiar with the principles of Woman Suffrage. The 4,000,000 working women of France are getting ready to demand equal pay for equal work. Dear Sisters, don't you see the importance of every local union having its Franchise superintendent and getting to work in earnest. The ballot is the only weapon which can kill the saloon. And we must use all the means in our power that will enable us to secure advance ground in the enfranchisement and universal right of women. In our county we have 3005 women tax payers. We feel the injustice of this "taxation without representation." We have held two parlor meetings, one lecture, circulated six petitions, secured signatures and distributed franchise leaflets. We take four franchise papers. Sarah Platt Decker, of Colorado, President of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, says: "There is an undecipherable uplift in the thought that one is no longer classed with criminals, paupers and idiots." There is a splendid womanly independence in being a voting citizen, and an absorbing interest in fulfilling the duty of citizenship; and there is a much more chivalrous devotion and respect on the part of men, who look upon their sisters, not as playthings, nor as property, but as equals and fellow-citizens."—Mrs. Maggie Williamson, Co. Supt. Franchise.

The Benton County convention met at the Presbyterian church in Earl Park, Sept. 14 and 15. Mrs. Amanda Smith, president for seven years presided. The superintendents of each of the sixteen departments gave a report of the work done for the past year. The papers read were both interesting and instructive. The presidents of the four unions, Boswell, Otterbein, Oxford and Earl Park gave a review of the work done by each union. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley was with us and gave several talks on both Tuesday and Wednesday, and lectured at the opera house Tuesday night to an appreciative audience. Benton county is very grateful to Mrs. Stanley for her help in making Benton "dry." She has the deep earnestness and rare eloquence that convinces her hearers that she stands for Temperance once and always. Her memorial service for the departed members of the W. C. T. U. at our convention was most beautiful and touching. The white ribbon was pinned on three babies, sons of Earl Park members. This union, with 42 members, has furnished six baby boys for the "cradle roll of the Prohibition party" since last April. The convention adjourned Sept.

14, after one of the most profitable sessions ever held. The officers re-elected were: President. Mrs. Amanda Smith, Oxford; vice pres. Mrs. Minnie Barr, Earl Park; rec. sec., Mrs. Nellie Stevenson, Otterbein; cor. sec., Mrs. Lily Petree, Oxford; treas., Mrs. Estella Smith, Boswell.—Mrs. Erma McMahan, Press Supt.

The Decatur County W. C. T. U. met in annual convention Sept. 8 in the Methodist church at Letts. The convention was called to order by Mrs. Laura Thompson, of Greensburg. After devotional exercises Mrs. Thompson was asked to preside in the place of the president, Miss Mary Gray, who was not able to do so on account of recent illness. Several interesting testimonies were given, also a short address by Mrs. C. C. Meek of Forest Hill. A luncheon was served at noon by the Letts Union to the delegates from Greensburg. The afternoon session was opened by prayer by Mrs. C. C. Meek. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Miss Mary Gray, Greensburg; Vice President, Mrs. Nettie Parker, Greensburg; Recording Secretary Mrs. Ella Wright, Greensburg; corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Cora McDowell, Sardinia; Treasurer, Mrs. Zella Fraley, Letts. The reports of the superintendents showed progress all along lines represented. A beautiful vocal solo by Miss Rose Meredith, of Sardinia, was enjoyed, and Rev. Davis and others gave short but interesting talks. Fifteen delegates were present from Greensburg, and eight from Sardinia. A vote of thanks was tendered the church board for the use of the church, and to the people of Letts for their hospitality. The next annual convention will be at Sardinia.—Cora McDowell County Corresponding Secretary.

Normal City: The annual election of officers held with following result: Pres., Mrs. Ella Bond; Vice Pres., Mrs. Edith Nuzum; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Emma Williams; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Della Chambers; Treas., Mrs. Mary Ebright; Supts., Miss Mabel Morrow; Flower Mission, Mrs. Girken; Medical Tem., Mrs. Caroline Wallace; Press, Mrs. Mattie Hasily; Proportionate Giving, Mrs. Mary Covolt; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Mary Mathews; Sunday School, Mrs. Gay Calvert; Oratorical contest, Mrs. Hattie Dawson.

The Annual Decatur County convention of the W. C. T. U. was held at the Methodist church at Letts Corner on Wednesday, Sept. 8. About 20 members of our local organization were in attendance, in addition to a number of the Sardinia union. The morning session was opened by devotions conducted by our local president and was given over to short talks by members of the various unions represented. At the afternoon session the following officers were elected: President, Miss Mary Gray, Greensburg; Vice President, Mrs. Nettie Parker, Greensburg; Cor. Sec. Mrs. Ella B. Wright, Greensburg; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Cora McDowell, Sardinia; Treas., Mrs. Zella Fraley, Letts. At the conclusion of the business a program was rendered, consisting of a synopsis of the work being done by superintendents of different departments of Sunday school work, medical temperance, flower mission and press. There was a beautiful solo by Miss Rose Meredith of Sardinia, and several brief but interesting talks.—Mrs. Lillie B. McKim.

The Union County W. C. T. U. annual convention was held Sept. 11 in the M. E. church at College Corner with good attendance. Meeting opened by singing hymn 246, scripture lesson and prayer by the Vice President, Mrs. Fyler. Superintendents' reports were fine, especially that of the flower mission superintendent. Election of officers as follows: Pres., Mrs. Bertha Miller; Vice Pres. Mrs. Conklin; Sec., Miss Anna Buck; Tres., Mrs. Ada Garett. Fourteen superintendents of departments were appointed.

Mrs. G. E. Denny, of Madison, organized the Vayhinger Senior L. T. L. at Morris chapel.

Grant County—Aaron Worth union met recently on the shady lawn of Mrs. Nettie Ware. Two departments had place on the afternoon's program. Four little girls sang beautifully, Mrs. India Payne had charge of the devotional. Mrs. Gulie Shugart told us "How Our Union Can Extend Its Influence." Little Ina Dilts gave an Anti-Cigarette selection. Reading by Mrs. Eva Dare, "Reasons Why Women Should Vote." Mrs. Sallie Edgerton gave us one of her very helpful and inspiring Bible Readings, The Leaflet. Some fake patent medicine advertisements were read, followed with a lively discussion.

Seymour meetings were held during the hot weather with usual enthusiasm and with a good attendance. The following officers were elected for the year:

President—Mrs. Wilbur Pfaffenberger.
Vice President—Mrs. R. R. Short.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. J. E. McKinney.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. F. Teckenmyer.
Treasurer—Mrs. Wylie.

The Washington County W. C. T. U. met in an all day's convention at the home of Mrs. Fannie B. Ellis, Salem, Ind., Thursday, Sept. 23, 1909, and was one of the most successful and pleasant meetings held in recent years. The reports of the presidents of the different unions represented showed that they were in good condition financially and in the point of membership. It was decided to observe Thursday, Oct. 21, as a day of conference and prayer.—Campbellsburg.

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Wells County Convention: Wells county had another great convention on Sept. 14 at Keystone, surpassing on more than one line any convention ever held in the county. The ladies of Keystone secured the fine "Woodmen's hall" in which to hold the day session, serving dinner and supper in the dining room. They had spared no pains in providing royally for the entertainment of their guests and performed their part in a magnificent manner. The attendance was fine, interest deep and enthusiasm high. The usual routine of business was transacted rapidly, satisfactorily and harmoniously. The election of officers resulted in the re-election of all but the treasurer; although the president, Mrs. Willis, had made special earnest request that a new president be elected. The ladies made answer "No!" with fifty out of fifty-four votes on first ballot. Officers elected were: Pres., Mrs. E. A. Willis; Vice Pres., Mrs. Belle Hacker; Rec. Sec., Mrs. D. T. Smith; Cor. Sec., Mrs. E. Ellingham; Treas., Mrs. Fannay Garrett. Mrs. Natling who served the county last year declined the office this year. She expects to spend much of her time away from home with her child. The evening session was held in the M. P. church, which was filled to overflowing with interested listeners. This meeting was a new departure for our county it being a demonstration of "Department Work." Nine of the departments were explained and demonstrated. We believe the people got a much clearer understanding of some of the things we are doing than could have been had in any other way. It was a source of the greatest pleasure to the county president and the W. C. T. U. ladies of Keystone who had the work in charge, that men, women and children of every age, responded so heartily when it was known they would be needed. The young men and women had entire charge of the music and singing, using none but temperance songs, and also gave voluntary service in carrying out the demonstrations. We wish you had the space to let us tell you all about it, but we know how you have not, but listen! The old gentleman that acted the grandfather in the Sabbath observance department is 87 years of age and at the close of the meeting donned the white ribbon. He had never used tobacco nor intoxicants.—Mrs. A. B. Hacker.

Owen County: The members of the W. C. T. U. of Owen county met in the M. E. church at Spencer Aug. 27. The convention was called to order by the president, Mrs. Walter Jones. An organ voluntary was given by Miss Mary Mead, devotional services by Mrs. Jones. The Gosport and Carp members were welcomed by a short address given by Mrs. M. C. Bumgartner, was fittingly responded to by Mrs. Zala Wampler, of Gosport, Ind. After business reports from local unions were read. The following officers were elected:

President—Mrs. Bessie Strain of Gosport.
Vice President—Mrs. McClaren.
Treasurer—Mrs. Florence Lawson, Spencer.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Vernon Stone, Gosport.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. Haltom.
Prison and Jail Department—Mrs. James Laymon, Spencer.
Contest Work—Mrs. Lawson.

Mothers' Department—Mrs. Alice Wampler.
Sabbath Observance—Mrs. Dr. Rice.
Flower Mission—Miss Estell McHenry.
Literature Department—Mrs. Dora Haltom.
Franchise Department—Mrs. Morgan.
L. T. L. Department—Mrs. John Christy.
Railroad Department—Mrs. Will Hoadly.
Mrs. Bessie Strain rendered a pleasing solo, after which dinner was served to all in the dining room of the church and a delightful social time was enjoyed by all. In the afternoon an excellent program was rendered. An organ voluntary by Miss Mead, singing and prayer service was lead by Mrs. Eastes. A paper, "The Importance of a Flower Mission to Any Community" was read by Miss Lillian Teague. After a ten minutes discussion a recitation was given by James Westfal. A duet, "Holy Father Guide Our Footsteps" was sung by Mrs. Dr. Gray and Mrs. Drescher. A paper, "The Power of Influence," was read by Mrs. Dr. Rice. Another recitation was given by James Westfal. "How to Deal with the Blind Tiger," was interestingly discussed by Rev. D. L. Thomas and Mr. Fred Pochin. A quartette rendered by Mrs. Strain, Mrs. Haltom, Mrs. Fox and Miss Teague, of Gosport, was much appreciated. The Spencer and Carp unions were invited to Gosport next September by Mrs. Wampler. The convention was pleasant and helpful.

Allen County: The annual reunion of the Frances Willard (Fort Wayne) union was held at Sweney Park, Aug. 18. The unions of the county were invited and all who were able to accept this invitation returned with glowing accounts of the day and that pleasure and business were combined. Mrs. Hunter, our county superintendent of Fair and Open Air meetings, with willing White Ribboners to help, are planning to do good work this coming week at the county fair and will have a "home" on the grounds and distribute literature and try to "help a little." Our county convention is to be held Sept. 8 in the assembly room of the Court House. An all day and evening session. The evening to be given to a grand gold medal contest in charge of Mrs. Florence Barnhardt, county contest superintendent. We hope to close the year with good reports and meet our sisters at Muncie with the glad greeting that we: For

God and Home and Native Land, still gladly toil, still firmly stand.

The Gibson County convention was held at Princeton in the First Baptist church Tuesday, Sept. 14, at 2:30 p. m., with a large attendance. The convention was called to order by our county president, Mrs. Lizzie Pfohl. After a hymn from our White Ribbon hymnal, the reports from the superintendents of the different departments were heard. Following a vocal solo by Mrs. Morrison. a literary program consisting of two papers was much enjoyed. These papers "On Woman's Suffrage," were carefully prepared and read by Mrs. A. L. Smith and Mrs. S. J. Simpson. They gave strong evidence of the importance of the ballot being placed in our hands, such a result will bring to the front the moral issues rather than the commercial issues in politics. The same officers of the present year were re-elected for the coming year. We rejoice in the great victory we have gained over the state during the past year, but realize that we have much more work to do and may we keep on working and praying for the still greater triumph, "State wide Prohibition."—Katherine Youngman, Co. Press Supt.

Dearborn County convention was held in Bellevue M. E. church in Homestead Sept. 10, with Mrs. Margaret S. Gibson, county president in the chair. Each union in the county was represented. Rev. Wilson of Lawrenceburg, Rev. Scott Rader, of Aurora, and Rev. Leffingwell of Guilford, were present. These are all honorary members and their presence and interest was most encouraging to the workers. Reports of presidents and superintendents showed much activity in the work. Guilford union reported having more than doubled its membership. The county Sunday school banner which has been held by Bright union for several years, was awarded to Moores Hill union for best Sunday school work. Rev. W. B. Grimes of New Albany was with us throughout the day and in the afternoon gave his lecture entitled, "The Water Wagon," which was both interesting and instructive. A spirit of unity pervaded the sessions and we feel that we are better organized than ever before for the fight against King Alcohol.—Mrs. A. E. Rynerson, Co. Press Supt.

Hamilton County convention was held at Carmel. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Margaret Cox, Westfield; Cor. Sec., Miss Florence Trittapo, Fishers Station; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Etta Pierce, Hortonville; treasurer, Mrs. Etta Briles, Westfield.

Montpelier: The visit of the Montpelier W. C. T. U. to the home of Mrs. Roy Kitterman, a member residing in the county, is one long to be remembered by all who were present, both on account of the beautiful day for the affair, and the pleasant time enjoyed by all. The major part of the crowd went out on the 10:47 car, while several drove and upon arriving they found the table spread and Mrs. Kitterman in midst of preparations for dinner. At the noon hour all were seated and served with a bountiful dinner consisting of fried chicken, pumpkin pie and countless other good things from the farm. To say that all enjoyed the dinner would be putting it very mildly for the occasion was one of the most pleasant which has taken place within the circle of the union for some time.

In the afternoon a business session was held and three new members received after which the time was spent socially and it was a late afternoon car that brought the party home.

The Jay County convention was held on the 17th at Dunkirk. Mrs. Faulkner, of Dunkirk, made a bright and appropriate welcome address, which relieved a response from Mrs. Leavalle, of Redkey, who briefly reviewed the history and work of the W. C. T. U., urged renewed effort for state and national prohibition and warned members that the necessity for the existence of this world-wide union would not cease when prohibition of the use of intoxicants is accomplished. Many other evils will remain and much education is needed to eradicate them. The report of the recording secretary, Mrs. Gertrude Fulton, shows a membership of 182, a gain of 27 in the last year. The membership is divided up into seven local unions. The reports of superintendents of departments showed a surprising amount of work accomplished, both charitable and educational. After superintendents' reports, election of officers was held and the union re-elected for another year those who have served it so well in the past: President, Mrs. Hannah Andrews, Redkey; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. T. Gillum; Treasurer Mrs. Nettie Stovenour; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Gertrude Fulton.

LaPorte Union held its annual meeting August 30th. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Linora Hanchett Vice President, Mrs. Ella Canare; Corresponding and Recording Secretary, Mrs. Seth Pease; Treasurer, Mrs. J. N. Harmon. The Vice Presidents from the churches are: First Baptist, Mrs. Mary Baumgardner; First M. E., Mrs. Lizzie Harmon; the Friends' church, Mrs. Joanna Adams. A \$5.00 collection for Hadley school was taken.—Mrs. Seth Pease, Press Supt.

W. A. Gates, Secretary of the California board of charities in an address at the convention of the American Prison Association, said:

"The county jail has been charged, indicted, tried and convicted time and time again for ruining the bodies and souls of its victims, but each time the execution has been stayed, and it is still

unwhipped of justice," said W. A. Gates, secretary of the California board of charities, in an address at the convention of the American Prison Association today.

"To reform the county jail and make it an instrument of good instead of evil the following steps are necessary:

"District workhouses for all prisoners sentenced to terms in jail and a proper labor system installed therein.

"A separate cell for each prisoner, well lighted and ventilated, and supplied with sanitary plumbing.

"Sufficient rooms or departments, so prisoners may be classified according to sex, age and apparent criminality, and each class be completely separated from the other.

"Trained jailers with humane instincts and high character, who appreciate the opportunity of making better the persons placed in their charge.

"The improvement of our county jail system however depends upon a general improvement of social order. No material advance will be made until man puts a higher value upon his fellowman. Society must feel that men are worth saving before it will throw out the life line. This will not come until we forsake the worship of the 'golden calf' and give obedience to the Golden Rule."

The Marion County W. C. T. U. held its annual convention in the Fletcher Place M. E. church Sept. 14 and 15. Mrs. J. H. Boyer, vice-president, presided in the absence of the president, Mrs. Mary Kinzer, who had been called to the bedside of her youngest daughter who was critically ill. Marion county has less than 550 members, but if the wish of its treasurer, Mrs. Lizzie Heath, be fulfilled, which is that "each woman secure at least one new member this year," our county will measure up more nearly to what may rightly be expected of us. There are 15 unions in the county. Palmer union has the banner senior L. T. L., 80 members enrolled. Reports from the superintendents of departments showed much work done, several reports being unusually fine.

At the closing session of the convention Rev. Harry G. Hill delivered an able address in which he paid a glowing tribute to the work of the W. C. T. U. and intimated that saloons would be banished if temperance men would concentrate their efforts as do the women of the W. C. T. U. Mrs. Luella McWhirter told in a practical way "How the W. C. T. U. may assist Indianapolis Mothers." The Memorial service was conducted by Mrs. Martha Gipe. The convention was favored with a solo by Mr. J. L. M. Kerr with Mrs. Coe Brennan pianist. By request Mr. Kerr sang our State song. Miss Ida Virginia Smith won the gold medal at the contest which was held Tuesday night. The election of officers for the coming year resulted as follows:

President—Mrs. Judge S. R. Artman.
Vice President—Dr. Martha Kellar.
Recording Secretary—Miss Susan McWhirter.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Nina Brigham.
L. T. L. Secretary—Mrs. Mary Kinzer.

The list of superintendents of departments given below shows few changes: Italian work, Mrs. E. B. Cummings; Hungarian, Miss Della Brown; medical temperance, Dr. Martha Keller; scientific temperance Mrs. W. A. Fox; Sunday school work, Mrs. George B. McKee; mercy work, Mrs. Nina Murphy; purity in literature and art, Mrs. Robert Stockman; literature, Miss Bessie Eckman; press, Mrs. Ella Oaks; narcotics, Mrs. Amanda Lambert; oratorical contests, Mrs. Cora Harper; Hadley industrial school, Mrs. Lizzie Hann; proportionate giving, Mrs. J. H. Boyer; jails and prisons, Mrs. L. E. Scott; evangelistic work, Mrs. Ellen Davis; railroad work, Mrs. Susan Miller; soldiers and sailors, Mrs. Dotia Dougherty; Sabbath observance, Mrs. Julia Morgan; mothers meetings, Mrs. Martha L. Gipe; flower committees Mrs. G. D. Thornton; Christian citizenship, Mrs. W. N. Norris; musical director, Mrs. Coe Blodgett Brennan.

The convention adopted the following resolutions

Whereas, Stimulants and narcotic are provided for the inmates of some of our public institutions at the public expense.

Resolved, That the Marion County W. C. T. U. condemns this practice as insanitary and dangerous and a misuse of the public funds.

Resolved, That the Marion County W. C. T. U. approves of the new policy of the superintendent of public instruction, in his effort to incorporate hygienic instruction in the public schools of the state, and that the Marion County W. C. T. U. co-operate as much as possible in bringing this about.

This closed one of the most helpful and enthusiastic convention ever held in Marion County.—Ella D. Oakes, Co. Press Supt.

Our Promoted Comrades

Miss Sopha Burtch, the beloved and honored flower mission superintendent of Gosport Union, has passed from labor to reward. She was a faithful earnest, consecrated worker, always in her place when ever her health would permit. We thank God for the life and work of Miss Burtch and may His blessing continually abide with our union.—Mrs. Mattie Kingman.

THE MESSAGE.

Miss Myrtle Kyger

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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State Convention at Muncie

The membership of the State Convention consists of State Trustees, Branch Secretaries, Editor of the Message, State Organizers, State Superintendents and County Presidents with the elected delegates from the local unions.

From the report of the credential committee we see that the following number of elected delegates were present:

Adams Co.—Linn Grove, 1.
Allen Co.—Ft. Wayne, Willard, 7; Boston, 2; Ft. Wayne, col. 1.
Blackford Co.—Hartford City, 9; Fairview, 1; Montpelier, 5; Millgrove, 3 Roll, 3.
Benton Co.—Boswell, 4; Earl Park, 2; Oxford, 4; Otterbein, 3.
Bartholomew Co.—Columbus, 2; Hartsville, 2.
Boone—Lebanon, 4.
Clay Co.—Brazil, 6.
Clinton Co.—Frankfort, 4; Kirklin, 3; Mulberry, 2.
DeKalb Co.—Auburn, 4; St. Joe, 1; Waterloo, 2.
Delaware Co.—Albany, 3; Eaton, 3; Muncie, 3; Normal City, 5; Shidlier, 2.
Decatur Co.—Greensburg, 4; Sardinia, 2; Letts, 1.
Dearborn Co.—Lawrensburg, 1; Moore's Hill, 1; Guilford, 3; Cold Springs, 2; Bright, 2.
Elkhart Co.—Elkhart, 1; Goshen, 2.
Floyd Co.—New Albany, 1.
Fayette Co.—Connersville, 4; Connersville, Willard, 2; Teviston, 1.
Franklin Co.—Willard, 3.
Gibson Co.—Princeton, 2.
Grant Co.—Marion Central, 4; Willard, 2; Back Creek, 2; Deer Creek, 4; Wilson, 3; Fairmount, 4; Farrville, 2; Fowlerton, 2; Gas City, 3; Grant, 3; Hanfield, 2; oJnesboro, 1; Little Ridge, 3; Maple Run, Oak Ridge, 1; Oak Chapel, 2; Shugart, 2; Swayzee, 5; Sweetser, 3; Van Buren, 4; Love, 3.
Henry Co.—Greensboro, 3; New Castle, 2.
Hamilton Co.—Carmel, 1; Elizabeth Stanley, 2; Lamong, 1; Noblesville, 1; Pleasant View, 2; Sheridan, 4; Westfield, 4.
Hendricks Co.—Danville, 2; Plainfield, 1. . .
Howard Co.—Greentown, 3; Kokomo, 3; Rus-siaville, 1; S. Kokomo, 2.
Huntington Co.—Huntington, 3; Harriet Brand, 2; Warren, 3.
Jefferson Co.—Dupont, 1; Kate Lee, 2; Kent, 1; Madison, 2.
Johnson Co.—Bargersville, 2; Franklin, 1; Whiteland 4.
Jackson Co.—Brownstown, 1; Seymour, 2; Jennings Co.—N. Vernon, 2.
Jay Co.—Balbec, 1; Bryan, 2; Pennville, 1; Dunkirk, 4; Portland, 4; Redkey, 3.
Knox Co.—Vincennes, 1.
Kosciusko Co.—Syracuse 1.
Lake Co.—Crown Point, 2.
Lawrence Co.—Bedford, 1; Michtell, 1; Oolitic 1.
La Porte—La Porte, 1.
Marshall Co.—Argos, 1; Culver, 1; Plymouth, 1.
Monroe Co.—Bloomington 4; Ellettsville, 1; Stinesville, 3; Smithville, 1.
Madison Co.—Anderson, 3; Anderson J, 2; Alexandria, 1; Elwood, 2; Lapel, 2; Perkinsville, 1; Summitville, 1.
Marion Co.—Indianapolis Central, 7; Meridian, 5; North East, 3; Palmer, 3; Thurman, 1; Vayhinger, 1; Bridgeport, 2; Board Ripple, 3; Brightwood, 2; Esther, 3; Mapleton, 2.
Morgan Co.—Martinsville, 2; Morgantown, 5; Mooresville, 2.
Miami Co.—Amboy, 2.
Noble Co.—Kendalville, 2.
Ohio Co.—Rising Sun, 1.
Owen Co.—Gosport, 2; Spencer, 2.
Porter Co.—Hebron, 2.
Pulaski Co.—Winamac, 1.
Randolph Co.—Arba, 3; Farmland, 2.
Rush Co.—Arlington, 1.
Steuben Co.—Angola, 2; Hamilton, 1; Pleasant Lake, 1; Ray, 2.
St. Joseph Co.—South Bend Chapin Park, 1; Colfax Ave., 1; Pleasant View, 3.
Tippecanoe Co.—La Fayette, 4; La Fayette Central, 3; Christolisle, 1; Edgerton, 2; La Fayette Willard, 2.
Union Co.—Liberty, 2; College Corner, 3.
Vermilion Co.—Dana, 1.
Vanderburg—Howell, 1.
Wabash Co.—S. Wabash, 2; North Manches-ter, 1.
Wayne Co.—Richmond, Willard, 1; McColl, 1; Mary F. Thomas, 3; Mary W. Hill, 2; Fountain City, 1; Economy, 2.

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HOW DID YOU DIE?

Dear Mrs. McWhirter:—When discouraged I always look toward the goal of absolute prohibition and repeat over and over:

Did you tackle that trouble that came your way,
With resolute heart and cheerful,
Or did you hide away from the light of day,
With a craven soul and fearful
A trouble's a ton, or a trouble's on ounce,
A trouble is what you make it.
It isn't the fact that your hurt that counts,
But only "how did you take it?"

You're beaten to earth, well, well, what's that?

Come up with a smiling face,
It's nothing against you to fall down flat,
But to lie there—that's disgrace.
The harder you're thrown, the higher you'll bounce.

Be proud of your blackened eye.
It isn't the fact that you're licked that counts,
But it's how did you fight; and why?

And though you are dunned to the death
What then, if you battled the best you could,
If you played your part in the world of men,
The critic will call it good.

Death comes with a crawl, or it comes with a pounce,
But whether it be slow or spy
It isn't the fact that you're dead that counts,
But only, "how did you die?"

Note—Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley read the above with telling effect at close of her Response on Welcome Night.

THE MEDICAL ASPECT OF THE LIQUOR QUESTION.

(Dr. F. F. Hutchins.)

It is an honor you have extended and a pleasure for me to address the representatives of this great organization tonight. It is to be regretted that I am not sent here by the physicians of the state because these two organizations both laboring for a common cause should bear a closer relationship to each other. The medical profession has recognized the action of alcohol on



the human system and for a long time has been trying to overcome the evil effects. The W. C. T. U. also has recognized the action of alcohol on the human system, but it has gone directly to the root of the matter declaring that the evil effects would not exist if alcohol were prohibited. There are no grounds for an argument. We have labored along the lines of science to correct a condition ;you following a principle, have sought to prevent this condition. Naturally we have adopted your ideas, and it is to be hoped all forces may soon be united in overcoming this greatest evil of our times, the use of alcohol as a beverage. It is not alone on the alcohol question that our profession has changed. Physicians are no longer mere dispensers of powders and pills. They are not contented with the overcoming of human suffering but have great laboratories and hundreds of the most skilled and scientific observers studying causes. Prevention is one of the keynotes of today. Every condition is studied, the cause is carefully sought for, and a means of prevention worked out along scientific lines. So much of this information,

especially on the alcohol question, has been published in the various magazines and periodicals that even the indifferent are forced to be observant. Great men from the laboratories of both Europe and this country are publishing the cold unbiased facts about alcohol. Prof. Welch, of Johns Hopkins University is the most eminent pathologist of this country. Physicians everywhere revere him and respect his opinion. He says in an extended article that "Alcohol is a poison to all living organism, both animal and vegetable." I could go on indefinitely quoting from high authorities, opinions against the use of liquor, but even a speaking acquaintance with members of the W. C. T. U. will soon convince one that they are alive to the situation. However there is one field that not much has been written about. One of the divisions of our laboratory and research work is given over to the investigation of the probable needs of the future, with the view to present development along lines that will help to meet the strains to come. This led to the establishment of great centers for psychological study and information. It was the natural outcome for in the past man was a

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CHICAGO'S GREATEST PARADE.

Chicago had a great temperance parade Sept. 25. It was the most remarkable demonstration in the history of any reform movement the great temperance and law enforcement parade—Gen. Frederick Dent Grant, commander of the Department of the lakes of the U. S. Army, with a mounted escort of veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic, 40,000 people in the parade.

Mrs. Emily M. Hill, president of Cook Co. W. C. T. U., conceived the idea of the parade. The newspapers said the parade was ten miles long. This we do know that on Saturday afternoon from three to six o'clock all traffic on State street, south of Marshall Field's store for many blocks was entirely stopped, the street cars did not run. The parade was the most wonderful temperance parade in the history of the movement. It consisted of representatives of all the temperance societies in Chicago and suburbs, the Sunday schools, churches and many other Christian, philanthropic fraternal organizations and Law and Order societies.

This marvelous parade was witnessed by tens of thousands of Chicago's busy citizens.

The Loyal Temperance Legions had many wagons and floats, all of these filled with girls and boys singing their songs and giving rallying cries to the throngs of people on the sidewalks. It was a thrilling sight. The educational features of the parade against lawlessness and the saloon was telling. One feature of the parade was called "57 Varieties"—a big wagon with high standards all covered with white, somewhat in semblance of a hearse was drawn by four horses. In it was a black coffin, following behind it were 57 persons in single file with white shrouds and white face masks, representing ghosts. Each one carried a large white banner on which was a statement of how he died in a certain saloon in Chicago, mentioning the street number and date. This was an awful portrayal of Chicago's annual crimes. Tallyhos, wagons, floats, carriages and automobiles by the hundreds were in line while members of many societies walked. Every vehicle had Prohibition or Law Enforcement banner. All had American flag decorations. The liquor men saw the spirit of the hand writing on the wall, their traffic is doomed. Every city can have a temperance parade, not like this Chicago parade perhaps, but an educational parade.

INDIANAPOLIS, NOV. 9-10.

A meeting of the National Inter-Church Temperance Council will be held in the Y. M. C. A. Building Indianapolis, Indiana, November 9th and 10th. This promises to be not only a most inspiring and instructive gathering, but far reaching in its influence and possibilities. Eight denominations have now united through their official temperance agencies for the furtherance of this reform. The prayer that the Church would undertake to do her full duty on this subject promises to be fulfilled. After so many years of waiting almost every denomination in the United States has established a temperance agency of its own and several of these churches have placed from one to a half dozen men in the field who are authorized to represent the Church and speak with authority for the Church. These are the men who will gather at Indianapolis, November 9th and 10th. On the program will be some of the leading scientists, educators, editors, authors, ministers, judges and specialists to be found in the United States.

This is not a political gathering nor is it designed for political purposes. It is a meeting of the official representatives of the churches and purposes to confine itself to the lines of work laid down in the Basis of Agreement previously adopted.

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Treasurer, Mrs. E. P. Hutchinson, National Headquarters, Evanston, Illinois.

The Meeting of the National Inter-Church Temperance Council meeting to be held in the Y. M. C. A. building, Nov. 9-10 will be of greatest importance. Every person interested in this great church movement in all Indiana should attend if possible.

Mrs. Edith Smith Davis will make an address. Mrs. Davis is our W. C. T. U. National Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction. Prof. Charles Scanlon will be present also. He writes that Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, National President of the W. C. T. U., and Hon. John G. Woolley are expected to be present. Plan now to attend this meeting and urge church people to attend. Let us help to make this the greatest temperance meeting ever held in our Capital City. First session Nov. 9, 10:00 a. m.

THE WORLD'S CONVENTION WILL BE HELD

IN GLASGOW, SCOTLAND, JUNE 4-11, 1910.

The delegates elected from Indiana are as follows: Mrs. Rose Pearce, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, Mrs. Amanda Shedd, Mrs. Katie Holler, Mrs. Amanda Whitson, Miss Mary Woodard.

Alternates—Mrs. S. R. Artman, Mrs. Gulia Shugart, Mrs. Retta Jones, Mrs. Ida Mix.

Invitation was received to hold the State Convention of 1910 at Fort Wayne, on motion referred to the executive committee.

Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger was made a delegate to the Annual Convention of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the North Indiana Conference.

WORLD'S TEMPERANCE SUNDAY.

The 28th of November will this year be one of the most important Sundays in the whole Sunday-school calendar. It is the World's Temperance Sunday, and peculiar significance is given to the day because of the remarkable onward sweep of the temperance movement.

Read "The Daughters of the Poor" in the November issue of McClure's magazine.

"A nation rises no higher than its mothers." DEPARTMENT OF MORAL EDUCATION AND WHITE RIBBON RECRUITS.

Dear Sisters, I send this list of questions to you through The Message. Now, dear Sisters, you will have the questions that the National Superintendent asks and that you are expected to answer, before you in the beginning of the year. Wont you please keep a record of all work done until next September and then send your reports promptly to your County and State Superintendents.

How many local unions in your county? How many local Superintendents? How many reported? How many mothers' meetings have been held? What was the average attendance? What topics were best received. How many parents' meetings have been held? Give results. How many subscribers to Union Signal? How many original papers read? How many books in your loan libraries? How many pages of literature distributed? How many White Ribbon Recruits enrolled? How many meetings or receptions have been held for these children or their mothers? How many mothers have been won for our cause? Have you the Curfew ordinance? Please keep this list of questions for reference.

Yours for Service

MRS. S. M. STAHL.

Hartford City.

REPORT OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF LAW AND STATISTICS OF INDIANA.

Sisters of the State W. C. T. U.:

I have come before you with a report, not what I would like it to be by any means, but I have sent out cards to County Presidents where there were no County Superintendents of Law and Statistics and have received fifteen answers in all, so my report will be approximate all the way through.

In sending out my cards I asked the following questions:

(1) Has your county voted on Local Option? (2) If so, what majority for wet or dry? (3) How many saloons put out of business in your County? (4) How many breweries? (5) How many arrests for drunk in your county, 1909? (6) How many police have you in your county? (7) What is the total amount of their salaries?

To the above questions I have received fifteen answers which total the following:

Ans. 1—Yes 14; No 1.
2—16725 for Dry; 751 for wet.
3—298.
4—4.
5—1348.
6—188.
7—\$227,222.

By my personal investigations I find the following:

Number of counties in the State, 82.
Number organized for W. C. T. U., 72.
Number of organized counties that have voted Dry, 49.
Number of organized counties that have voted wet, 8.
Number of organized counties that have not voted, 15.
Number of organized counties, dry by remonstrance, 5.
Number of unorganized counties, 20.
Number of unorganized counties that have voted dry, 8.
Number of unorganized counties that have voted wet, 4.
Number of counties that have not voted, 10.
Whole number of counties voting wet, 12; and they have 716 saloons.
The ten counties that have not voted contain 2,623 saloons.

Total number of saloons now in State, 3,339.
Total number of saloons closed by Remonstrance and Local Option elections, 2,661.

I have sent 136 postal cards, with the above numbered questions to County Presidents, where there were no Superintendents of Law and Statistics and also sent 14 cards to County Superintendents of Law and Statistics, and have received only fifteen replies.

There is one fact that is very gratifying to the Temperance Host and that is that no County "Dry by Remonstrance" has returned to the wets by Local Option vote.

We have 1,016 Townships in the State, of which 116 are wet.

We now have but one county, Vanderburg, in which every Township is wet.

Of the 68 counties that have voted drys have a majority of 68,880.

Each saloon pays to the City, County and State, an average license fee of \$250, making the total license \$834,750.

Number of police in State 1,000 approximately.

Total salaries to police, \$906,000.

A conservative estimate would show that three-fourth of all arrests are caused by whisky.

Number sent to County jails, 920.

Cost of Board for drunks, \$27,600.

We now have 1,800,000 people living in dry territory in the State of Indiana.

I have sent out nine letters in answer to inquiries on points of Law.

SECRETARIES' MESSAGE.

Dear Comrades of the White Ribbon Army:

Our great convention in Muncie is a mater of history, but I hope the enthusiasm generated there has already reached to every local union, awakening in each greater activity and intensifying our love for the great cause in which we are engaged. And now with renewed faith and courage, let us turn our faces to the future with a determination to win greater victories than in the past. Here is the battle cry for the next year; "100 new unions and 10,000 members in Indiana by Sept., 1910. This means a gain of about 2,500, which when apportioned out among the unions means one new member to three old ones. Think of it! Any three of us can certainly persuade one woman to join our ranks. Begin now. Ask some neighbor to read the account of our state convention in this copy of "The Message." Get a copy of the state minutes when they are out and ask her to read the magnificent address of our State President, which, by the way, should be read by every White Ribboner in the state. Ask her to attend your

meetings, and have a good program to interest her when she is there; watch for opportunities to push our work; don't wait for open doors—open them. Let your community feel your influence, and the good women will want to be long.

Our gain last year was not what we expected. Hundreds of new women came into our ranks during and since the local option campaigns, then why not a greater gain? Because there was a corresponding falling off among the old members, many of whom concluded that because their particular county voted "dry," there was nothing more to do. No one ever made a greater mistake. The great danger to our cause now is that our forces will go to sleep, satisfied with the victories won. If so, the old story will be repeated, "While they slept, the enemy sowed tares." We must be on the alert to hold the ground we have gained and ready at any moment for a forward march. Keep your armor bright by use, dear sisters, and we will make this the greatest year of our history.

At every state convention, over and over, we hear the plaintive cry, "I could not get reports from local unions." May we not have an improvement along this line this year? Every local superintendent should procure a note book for her department, and at each meeting should write in it the work done in her department not only by herself, but by every member of the union. Superintendents do not always understand this, but think they are to report only the work done by themselves. A superintendent should suggest plans for the union, and then report all work done by the union, either as a whole or by individuals in that line. Local superintendents, if you have not already prepared your note books for this year, do so as soon as you read this.

Mrs. Mary Sibbitt, of Kansas, well known to many of you, will come to our state in November. County presidents should write to me at once for terms and dates and arrange a tour for her through your counties. She will help you to make your part of the 2,500 gain in membership. Remember that counties making a gain of fifty or more will be on the program on jubilee night and share in the collection.

"The Model program for Local Unions" is ready for distribution. If your union is not supplied, send at once to our State Treasurer, Miss Clara Sears, 222 West 14th St., Anderson. Even if you do not wish to follow the program entire, I am sure you will find many helpful suggestions in it. Price one cent each.

Now for a "pull altogether" for 100 new unions and 10,000 members by September, 1910.

Yours for service,

MARY E. WOODARD.

KNOX CO. LOCAL OPTION CAMPAIGN IN VERSE.

A fight is on! What is it? Why?

I see some women taking poll
Of "Old Vincennes," who want it dry
Before two more years o'er them roll.

I see some men of high renown

From early morn till late at night
Speaking, singing in the town,
Against saloons with all thir might.

Telling of the awful crimes

Vincennes has witnessed in the past,
Telling too in merry chimes

Why local option votes are cast.

Election day arrives at last,

The sun sheds down its ray of hope.
That "dry" would be the ballot cast

To save Vincennes from awful dope.

Women at the voting precincts,

Serving coffee all day long
But denied the right of voting

Out the the stuff that does them wrong.

Women with the voters pleading,

Asking them to weigh their deed,
Of the ridicule never heeding,

Their's an issue of right and need.

That night at eight the shocking cry

Went forth o'er wire and telephone
"The wets a majority over "dry"

Sent many a shudder to the home.

That night a Mother's hope was gone,
That she could save her wayward boy,

That night a young wife's tears were shed,
And in that home there was no joy.

Some voters of Vincennes will see

Before two years roll o'er the town,
That they have let an evil be,
And also brought more evil down.

On their own homes and all that's dear,

On other homes, and children too,
Who can not help what they have done
In licensing the sale of rum..

O rally with your forces,

The battle ne'er give o'er,
Till Prohibition conquers
And saloons exist no more.

—Mrs. Alice Crabbs.

Vincennes, Ind., 1309 Fairground Ave.

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STATE CONVENTION. (Continued from Page One.)

Warrick Co.—Boonville, 3.

Warren Co.—Williamsport, 2.

Wells Co.—Bluffton, 5; Elhanan, 2; Keystone 3; Liberty Center, 4; Rockford, 1; Sixmile, 2; Tocsin, 1; Willis, 1; Blanche Chapel, 1.

The Muncie Convention was the largest convention ever held by the W. C. T. U. of Indiana. President Vayhinger's address was able and comprehensive.

The reports of the State officers showed that aggressive work had been done and many new unions had been organized. Splendid work was reported by the Department Superintendents.

Welcome night was of unusual interest, the Welcomes by Rev. Crawford, Mrs. K. Waler, County President, and Mayor Guthrie were expressive of a hearty welcome from those in sincere sympathy with the great temperance reform. Mayor Guthrie belovied in Muncie for his splendid work against the liquor traffic and excellent work for a "Dry Delaware Co." was enthusiastically received. He spoke with great earnestness.

Our dear Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley's response was beautiful and received with great appreciation.

"The Medical Aspect of the Alcohol Question" was the subject of an excellent address by Dr. F. F. Hutchins, of Indianapolis, professor of Mental and Nervous Diseases in Indiana University School of Medicine.

Demonstration night was of unusual interest.

A good Diamond Medal Contest was held on Saturday night. A Marion County High School boy, son of Dr. Jennings of Bridgeport, won the medal.

W. C. T. U. women and Mr. F. F. McWhirter were the Sunday speakers in the Muncie churches. The old officers were all re-elected:

President—Mrs. C. J. Vayhinger, Upland.

Vice President—Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Liberty.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Mary Woodard, Fountain City.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Rose Pearce, Darlington.

Treasurer—Miss Clara M. Sears, Anderson.

Branch Secretaries—Young Women's Branch, Miss Laura Cammack, Converse.

Loyal Temperance Legion Branch, Mrs. Ida Mix, Kokomo.

Editor The Message, Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter.

Monday Night the pennants were awarded as follows:

Y's, Madison Co.; L. T. L's Jefferson Co.; colored Work, Wayne Co.; Physical Culture, Blackford Co.; Health and Heredity, Grant Co.; Medical Temperance, Wabash Co.; Institutes, Hamilton Co.; Scientific Temperance Ins., Grant Co.; Parliamentary Usage, St. Joseph Co.; Temperance Literature, St. Joseph Co.; Moral Education and White Ribbon Recruits, St. Joseph Co.; Purity in Literature and Art, Elkhart Co.; Anti-Narcotics, Steuben Co.; Law and Statistics, Elkhart Co.; Household Economics, Grant Co.; Summer Assemblies, Jefferson Co.; Mercy, Howard Co.; Jail and Prison, Knox Co.; Soldiers and Sailors, Foyd Co.; Sabbath Observance, St. Joseph Co.; Social and Red Letter Days, Elkhart Co.; Flower Mission, Delaware Co.; Evangelists, Floyd Co.; Fairs and Open Air Meetings, Allen Co.; Christian Citizenship, Elkhart Co.; Franchise, Jay Co.

The following superintendents were not present to award pennants: Sunday Schools, Medal Contest, Press Purity, Peace and Arbitration, Rail Road Employees, Systematic Giving.—Kathryn Wert Holler, Pres. Board State Supts.

The following is a letter sent out by the Board of the Hadley Industrial School and the pledge for subscriptions, trusting all unions will respond:

Dear Sister—

We are asking for a definite pledge from unions this year to be paid quarterly. If every union could send us \$5.00 to be paid as per enclosed card indicates, we could take care of our Hadley School and not be obliged to call on you so often, if we had a pledge from unions or individuals. Please send the cards when filled out to Miss Clara M. Sears, State Treasurer, 222 West Fourteenth street, Anderson, Ind. We will be glad to have you visit the home, and ask for your help, prayers and co-operation.

Lovingly your committee,

Pres.
Farm Supt.
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THE MEDICAL ASPECT OF THE LIQUOR QUESTION.

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creature of motion, the amount of force and endurance determining his worldly welfare. The physicians of his day must needs treat the muscles and grosser anatomy that the individual might shelter, feed and protect himself. Later this mere power of motion as a means of sustenance gave way to finer and more delicate forms of action. The fleet footed runner could not compete with the steam locomotive, nor the man with a spade outdo the steam shovel. Recently the typesetting machine, glass blowing machine, automatic lathes and other ingenious contrivances have caused another shift in the energies of mankind. The adding machine, piano-player, mechanical computer, and similar inventions cause us to wonder what energy will be left for human beings to exert. However, no one has yet produced a mechanical thinker and no one ever will. The development of the future man must be along the higher intellectual lines and hence the special departments have been established to study the brain and its action. Their conclusions should carry great weight, especially in regard to anything that might interfere seriously with mentality. Does alcohol interfere with mentality? Observe a man under the influence of liquor and no man with common sense would require any detailed, scientific argument to convince him that it does. That he was under the influence of liquor is a common excuse and acceptable that the man is not mentally responsible for anything he might do. To be sure, in some instances alcohol increases the brain activity, but always at the expense of its accuracy. This is, in fact, the very reason for much drinking. To forget dull care with wine and song, and in the exhilaration of the moods and senses to lose all thought of facts, truth, reason and judgment. The revelry of animalism. Intelligence is judgment, and judgment is the result of reasoning with facts. When judgment is swayed out of the paths of truth by the emotions, we approach the realm of insanity. But as mental action is dependent upon the physical condition of the brain cell, alcohol must have some effect upon this delicate tissue. Let us see what the laboratory tests and autopsies reveal in cases addicted to the use of liquor even in moderate quantities. First—Without looking for remote causes, the alcohol itself is found in the brain substance, and may be distilled therefrom. The cell is bathed in this poison which coagulates albumen and separates the lipid from the non-lipoid elements, excellent structure. It has a peculiar affinity for protoplasm which is the nutrient part of the cell, causing it to become granular and disintegrated. The cell wall shrinks, the nucleous, which is the life element, migrates from the center to the border, numerous swellings appear on the delicate processes or fingers by which the cell body reaches out for information or transmits its energy. This of necessity interferes with the cell function and if continued the cell becomes watery and finally dies. The brain is different from many other tissues. We are born with a certain number of brain cells, never have any more. If any are destroyed they are not replaced, while if a muscle is cut or a bone broken, new tissue is formed and when repair is complete the organ can functionate as well as before. The brain cell is the most precious and delicate organism of the body, and naturally suffers most from a general disturbing agent, but all cells are affected more or less. The purpose of this mass of cells we call body is either to carry out the intention of the brain, or else to nourish and protect the brain and the organs necessary to the performance of its functions. Hence there is a close relationship, the disturbance of one upsetting more or less the function of the whole.

The second characteristic effect of alcohol is its stimulating action upon the connective tissue elements, causing an increase in the growth and development of these structures. Connective tissue is merely the framework or supportive element for the true gland substance. Increasing its amount above normal, gives less space for the active gland cells, and crowds them out of action. While it gives more strength and firmness to the organ it lessens the natural function for which the organ was intended. This hardening process is called fibrosis or sclerosis resulting in a substance something like scar tissue. We find this process especially in the liver and kidneys of alcoholics preventing these organs from sewerage out the poisonous products of the body. These poisons remain in the blood to be carried throughout the body and their evil effect on brain tissue cannot be over-estimated.

Third—The action of the lungs is to oxidize the blood and throw off carbonic acid, a violent poison. Alcohol interferes with this process resulting in an accumulation of carbonic acid in the system. A glance at one under the influence of liquor shows the bluish livid color of non-oxidation.

Fourth—Alcohol taken into the stomach in moderate quantities causes increase in the blood supply of the membranes. This means stimulated function and a large amount of digestive juices, giving rise to the claim sometimes made that alcohol increases the digestive power. Further analysis, however, shows that the pepsin is precipitated out of solution and rendered inactive. This prevents digestion in the stomach. Fur-

thermore, alcohol by its very nature is a preservative and by its presence interferes with the dissolution process so necessary to digestion. This means that certain kinds of food are not prepared properly for absorption into the system and the body is deprived of very important nutrient material.

While riding a few days ago with a physician who is an authority upon the action of drugs and chemicals this subject came up for discussion. He told me that a series of carefully conducted experiments had caused him to prescribe pepsin and pancreatin in dry form as that various tinctures and elixers contained alcohol which prevented the desired action in the stomach.

Fifth—Indigestion means fermentation and putrefaction further on in the bowels. This generates some violent poisons and toxins which when absorbed causes serious conditions to develop.

Sixth—The sclerosis or hardening before mentioned as caused by alcohol is not confined to one group of organs. The arteries suffer severely. Carrying as they do the poison loaded blood their inner linings come directly in contact with it. The connective tissue is stimulated to increased growth causing a condition known as arterio-sclerosis. The elastic muscular coatings are displaced, the arteries become hard and rigid, the walls thickened and the calibre reduced in size. This prevents a sufficient quantity of blood from reaching its destination, also it causes the arteries to break, a frequent cause of paralysis.

Seventh—The thickened and hardened walls of the finer blood vessels prevent the blood from passing through into the tissues needing nourishment, causing starvation.

Eighth—Alcohol causes fatty degeneration of the heart muscles which with the hardened arteries greatly weakens this organ. The life pump, is unable to give the proper force to the burdened blood stream which really requires more power than normal to do its allotted work.

Ninth—The venous congestion and sluggish current in the veins retards the poison laden corpuscles in reaching a place where they can unload their unwelcome burdens. The tissues are thus longer submitted to the degenerating influences of the various poisons.

Tenth—The little lymph spaces or vestibules about the cells become swollen and distended with tissue detritus and debris from the general stagnation. This increases the general pressure and mechanically interferes with the organ functioning. This is especially noticeable in the brain where such conditions become serious matters at once.

To resume briefly:—

The man who drinks submits the most delicate and important cell in the body to chemical poison, uraenic, poison, carbonic poison, potmain poison; to poor blood, insufficient blood, tissue debris and mechanical pressure.

Certainly sufficient.

Physical reason is here for all the queer and erratic manifestations of brains belonging to the man who drinks. Neither is it a matter of mere will power. He is physically incapable of doing his best mental work even though he may possibly appear not to be under the influence of liquor he is, just that far short of being at his best.

This all seems very serious indeed, enough to cause any man who cares, to stop and think, but only one-third of this one phase of the subject has been touched upon.

We have been considering the effect of nourishment, poisons, and elimination upon the brain cell, but its physical condition is due to much more than that.

Heredity and training each plays its part in determining the mental ability. The potentiality or power to do must be inherited from the parents. The child cannot start with more than the parents are able to give him. It is doubtful if parents realize that each day's acts modify the character just that much and that this must be transmitted to their children. This subject is a great field for the psychologist and educator, but does not prove the purest results of alcoholism in the parent upon the child's mental ability. The question with regard to pronounced drinkers is, not presented. Statistics show that most of their children die early and what few do grow up are either feeble minded or epileptic. In regard to moderate drinkers statistics are again the best answer to the question. Berkeley of John's Hopkins University states "that Alcohol and heredity are so closely associated in causing mental weakness, that it is impossible to separate them." He refers to several families where the father was intemperate. The first children were normal but later children showed progressive enfeeblement until in one case the last child was idiotic. There are any number of similar cases on record right here in Indiana. In the Insane Hospitals of this State we put the first cause of insane conditions as heredity, and the second cause as alcohol direct. In looking over the hereditary cases, intemperance was noted in a majority of instances. These statistics on alcoholic effect through the parents upon the children proved so alarming in Europe that governments were forced to take up the question. The reports of Bezzola and others to the Swiss government showed that more degenerates were conceived during the period of drinking festivities than in all the rest of the year. An old accepted fact laid down by Marel is mod-

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erate drinking first generation, immorality and irritability of temper, second generation; impulsive acts and insane conditions, third generation; and in the fourth idiocy and imbecility. The records of the Indiana State Board of Charities are interesting reading and are unanswerable arguments to those questioning the facts in our own community. Every one can recall one or more instances coming under his own observations bearing out the facts as shown in the general statistics.

The question of education and environment and the effect that alcohol has upon these factors is so broad and far-reaching in its scope that it would take many evenings to consider it. Besides the doctors have found so much to do directly in the line of their own work that they have had to turn this part over to the educators and good people of the country to keep from being swamped with their end of the Medical Aspect of the Liquor Question.

THE NATIONAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTION.

Omaha, Oct 22-27, the following delegates and alternates were elected. Each delegate represents a groupe of counties having five hundred paid members:

Groupe No. 1—Del., Mrs. Iva Wood Parker, 922 Weaver's Court, Elkhart, Elkhart Co. Alternate, Mrs. A. R. Shedd, Argos, Marshall Co.

Groupe No. 2—Delegate Mrs. W. J. Ride-nour, 1117 LaFayette St., Ft. Wayne, Allen Co. Alternate, Mrs. Elnora McNaughton, Ray, Steuben Co.

Groupe No. 3—Delegate, Mrs. F. B. Perkins. Alternate, Mrs. Sarah E. Morgan.

Groupe No. 4—Mrs. Emily R. Newcomb, 647 Charles St., Huntington, Huntington Co. Alternate, Miss Winona Hoffman, Linn Grove, Adams Co.

Groupe No. 5—Mrs. Julia Overman, S. Bronson St., Marion, Grant Co. Alternate, Mrs. Nettie Hollingsworth, Fairmount, Grant Co.

Groupe No. 6—Mrs. Nettie Stovenour, 208 W. Race St., Portland, Jay Co. Alternate, Miss Amanda Turner, 1115 N. Armstrong St., Kokomo, Howard Co.

Groupe No. 7—Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City, Blackford Co. Alternate, Mrs. Kate Waller.

Groupe No. 8—Miss Grace Sloan, Sheridan, Hamilton Co. Alternate, Mrs. Retta Jones, Alexandria, Madison Co.

Groupe No. 9—Mrs. C. C. Robinson, LaFayette, Tippecanoe Co. Alternate, Mrs. Sarah Roberts.

Groupe No. 10—Mrs. Carrie Brinkhoff, Mulberry, Clinton Co. Alternate, Mrs. Dora Keith, Brazil, Clay Co.

Groupe No. 11—Mrs. J. B. Heath, 312 E. Walnut St., Indianapolis. Alternate Mrs. Sam'l R. Artman, 1933 N. New Jersey St., Indianapolis.

Groupe No. 12—Mrs. S. P. Toner, Martinsville, Morgan Co. Alternate, Mrs. Mary G. Webb, Greencastle, Putnam Co.

Groupe No. 13—Mrs. Edith Pfaffenberger, Seymour, Jackson Co. Alternate, Mrs. M. E. Brooke, Brownstown, Jackson Co.

Groupe No. 14—Mrs. Rowena E. Randle, Richmond, Wayne Co. Alternate, Mrs. Laura Thompson, Greensburg, Decatur Co.

Groupe No. 15—Mrs. S. M. Fields, 503 Scott St., Vincennes, Knox Co. Alternate, Mrs. Lou Rogers, Poseyville, Posey Co.

Delegate-at-Large elected by the whole Convention—Mrs. Edith Nuzum, Muncie. Alternate, Mrs. A. C. Masters, Muncie.

Mrs. C. J. Vayhinger, State President, is a member of the convention and of the National official Board.

Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall is a member of the National Convention as National Superintendent of Institutes, is a member of the National Executive Committee.

Field News

South Bend, the Pleasant View W. C. T. U. held the regular monthly meeting at the home of the President, Mrs. Thomas Vanbuskirk, Michigan Ave., with 26 present. Special music by Miss Plant and Miss Smith. Superintendents were appointed: Medical Temperance, Mrs. David Augustine, Michigan Ave.; Sab. Observance, Mrs. Jacob Miller, 717 Sanconee Ave.; Flower Mission, Mrs. McDonald, Howard Ave.; Parliamentary Law, Mrs. R. Smith, 1505 Michigan Ave.; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Otis, Howard Ave.; Sunday School, Mrs. Howard Webster, E. Lavare St.; Mothers' meetings, Mrs. Uel, Blaine Ave.; S. T. T., Mrs. E. L. Hull, Diamond Ave. It was decided to use the State programs. Mrs. L. Wells and Mrs. Nash, President of Colfax union, gave interesting reports of the Muncie convention. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Blackford Co. Convention. The twenty-first annual convention of the Blackford Co. W. C. T. U. held at Roll, Ind., County President, Mrs. S. M. Stahl presiding. The reports showed that \$402.40 had been spent besides clothing, meals and fruit given to the sick and needy. Much good literature distributed and lectures given.

Mrs. Vayhinger gave a strong and impressive lecture. Her plan for the future is state-wide prohibition. She urged the W. C. T. U. to double

its efforts and appeal to the state to help make old Blackford white.—Miss Gora E. Wilson.

Elhart: "A Glowing Success" is the term applied to the annual convention of the Elkhart County W. C. T. U. which was entertained by the Elkhart Central Union in the Trinity M. E. church Sept. 22, 23 and 24. In point of excellence both members and non-members voice it to be the largest and best convention ever held in the county. It was a spiritual uplift and a soul education to all who attended. The church was beautifully decorated with the local and county banners, county pennants, bunting, the picture of Frances Willard, prohibition map and posters, palms, ferns and huge bouquets of fall roses.

The first session opened on Wednesday afternoon, Sept., 22 and was presided over by the county president, Mrs. Milton Wertz. Every officer responded to roll call.

The "Anniversary Hymn" was sweetly sung by Mrs. Ford Overlease, and Mrs. Harry Zeigler spoke appropriate "Words of Welcome." In part she said: "While this is the twenty-third annual convention, it does not mean '23' to the temperance forces, but 'skidoo' to saloons."

A happy response was voiced by Mrs. Emma Garver, president of Goshen union.

"Echoes from Our W. C. T. U. Missionaries" was the subject of a most excellent paper read by Mrs. I. H. Church. She also read a letter written to the convention by Miss Mary Orr, our W. C. T. U. missionary at Ellis Island.

Special temperance music was a great feature throughout the convention. The devotional periods were all inspiring. Reports were given by county superintendents and the unions doing the best work in the various departments were awarded the pennants.

The following subjects which opened with five minute talks afforded interesting discussions.

"The Rules That Govern Us," Mrs. B. C. Rowley. "Why Am I a Member of the W. C. T. U. and In What Way Has It Benefited?" Mrs. J. E. Tilman. "Medical Temperance," Mrs. J. A. Work. "Fruits from Trees Planted by the W. C. T. U.," Mrs. Mary Bechtel. "How Can Department Work be Made Effective?" Mrs. Jennie Young. "What Is the Real Value of Medal Contest Work?" Mrs. C. H. Whiteman. "Methods for Holding and Building Up a Flourishing W. C. T. U.," Mrs. E. Teal. "Our Tools," Mrs. B. C. Rowley. "Need of Curfew Law," Mrs. Harry Zeigler. "Loyalty as Shown by Wearing the Badge," Mrs. J. D. Salsig.

Immediately following the discussion on the last subject, Mrs. Ira Stauffer recited, "Wear It," and Mrs. Frances Styers sang, "My Mother's White Ribbon."

Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger gave the address on Wednesday evening and a pleasing feature was a "Dry Magazine Demonstration" given by children who carried banners upon which were placed the covers of the forty-one magazines which will not accept liquor advertisements. These children sang a "welcome" song to the W. C. T. U.

A very handsomely framed picture of Frances Willard was presented by the State President in behalf of the Elkhart W. C. T. U. to the high school. The gift was accepted with a very appropriate address by Prof. S. B. McCracken, principal of the Elkhart high school.

On Thursday evening an exceptionally high grade gold medal contest was held and Miss Mary Paul, of Elkhart, received the medal.

The flag drill given by sixteen perfectly trained girls created so much interest that the audience cheered during its presentation.

The large choir of Trinity church rendered beautiful music both evenings and Mrs. I. H. Church, one of Elkhart's best soloists, sang the famous song, "Vistory," which was heartily applauded.

The duet, "This Country's Going Dry" by Miss Barbara Welner and Miss Gertrude Nelson captured the house.—Iva Wood Parker, Co. Press Supt.

The Elkhart County W. C. T. U. was so fortunate as to secure Clinton N. Howard, of Rochester, N. Y., better known as "The Little Giant of the American Platform," for his noted lecture, "A Ride on the Water Wagon," which was delivered in Trinity M. E. church, Sunday evening, and started at 7:30 o'clock, then came a "snap shot at passengers;" "flight of water wagon express;" blessings in the wake of the train;" "taking on new passengers;" winning the battle;" arrival at Washington;" and "news of victory reached heaven and the world below."

At the close of this magnificent lecture the cyclone speaker was given the Chautauqua salute by the enthusiastic audience that tested the capacity of the large church and he was invited to return in the near future with the second section of his train. Iva Wood Parker, Co. Press Supt.

La Porte union meets every week alternate afternoons and evenings. At the last meeting two new members were enrolled. More departments of work were taken up. State convention report given by returned delegate.

Indianapolis Vayhinger Union met at the home of Mrs. Cravens, 822 N. Temple Ave. The devotions were led by Mrs. Gilman. After the regular routine of business little Miss Florence Sept. 26. This "Water Wagon Talker" "got a

Smith sang a solo, and Mrs. Dr. Birchfield gave a reading. The reports of County and State Convention heard and recommendations adopted, which in brief were as follows:

1. That we strive to double our membership this year.

2. That each superintendent provide herself with a note book for the purpose of keeping a record of work done in her department.

3. That each superintendent hold at least one public meeting this year.

4. That we distribute more literature this year.

5. That we make an effort to place a framed picture of Frances E. Willard in each of the schools in our immediate vicinity and if possible a copy of her life in each library.

Having interviewed the supervising principle on this matter I learned they would be delighted to accept this for the schools—the greatest reason for which was that she was a woman.—Mrs. Altwater.

The Indianapolis South Side W. C. T. U. met at Vila avenue church and Mrs. McKeehan led the devotions. Mrs. Weaver was appointed msical director. Mrs. Anderson gave a good flower mission report, after which Miss Nora Norcott, who graduated from the Missionary Training School in Chicago, spoke of her work and said that: "In almost every instance of destitution and misery, drink was the main cause. She spoke of two little German boys who after listening to a temperance talk from her in Sunday school, carried the bucket of beer—for which they had been sent—home on a pole in order not to touch it." She spoke of mothers who make home made wines, and thus cultivate the taste for such things in their children.

This union has twenty-four paid members and is ready for work. Two meetings a month will be held.

Deputy...The Silver Gray Contest given on July 3rd was a decided success and since invitations have come to give the same elsewhere. Mrs. Clara Robertson was the winner of the medal. At our County Convention four of the Silver Grays drove eighteen miles to speak again, thereby wining much praise and also bringing home the medal and second place of honor, M. C. Robertson being first, Andrew Zan second.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Presi., Mrs. Rebecca McClelland; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Dora Gudgel; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Nettie Sullivan; treas. Mrs. Nettie Hansel

Allen Co. W. C. T. U. Convention met in Fort Wayne, in the Assembly Room of the Court House, September 8th. Was called to order by the President, Mrs. Martha Ridenour. Reports of superintendents showed a surprising amount of work done in many lines. Plans of work for the coming year and election of officers made a busy afternoon. The election resulting as follows: President, Mrs. Martha Ridenour, of Fort Wayne; Rec. Sec., Mrs. F. A. Thomas, Fort Wayne; Cor. Sec., Mrs. M. A. Smith, Monroeville; treas., Mrs. Ida Youse, Monroeville.

At 7:30 p. m. The large Assembly Room was quite well filled to listen to the Grand Gold Medal Oratorical Contest. The contestants were Mrs. Ethel Fortney, Miss Vickie Meyers, Miss Cloe Meyers, Miss Florence Bansemen and Miss Ethel Barnhart. Medal won by Mrs. Fortney. The contest was fine. The Fort Wayne union delightfully entertained all delegates and visitors at the Y. W. C. A.—Florence Barnhart.

Our Promoted Comrades

Mr. John Parker Wise, the beloved son-in-law of our dear loyal friends, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. McWhiter, died suddenly at Metucken, N. J. The remains will be brought ot Indianapolis for burial.

The prayers and sympathy of the White Ribbon host of Indiana go out to the grief stricken wife and relatives.

Mrs. Margaret Dillingham died at her home one beautiful Sabbath morning, Oct. 3, 1909. She had made all preparation for Sabbath school Saturday night. She being a widow for thirty years. She spent her time in church work, Sabbath School was one of her Special Duties. She loved the children, she was faithful in the W. F. M. S., she was treasurer of the W. C. T. U. Local in Newburgh, and helped to reorganize it about three years ago. She paid her dues and wore her white ribbon bow, when there was no local here, She carired the remonstrance papers at different times and did all she could in the War-rick Co. Local Option. The W. C. T. U. met at her home twelve days before she died. She had been sick, but had been out to church once. Our loss is her Eternal gain.

John W. Ridgway departed this life, October 9th, at a ripe age of 85 years. He was the husband of our departed sister, Malinda Ridgway, who went to her reward in 1904. He was an honorary member of the W. C. T. U. for many years. He erected and had rooms dedicated to the W. C. T. U., which the organization uses at the present time.—Mrs. Seth Pease, Press Supt.

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Miss Myrtle Kyger

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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NATIONAL INTER-CHURCH TEMPERANCE COUNCIL IN SECOND BIENNIAL MEETING.

(Associated Prohibition Press.)

The second biennial session of the National Inter-church Temperance Council held at Indianapolis, Tuesday and Wednesday, November 9-10, canvassed the present status of the Prohibition reform and planned an aggressive co-operate propaganda for the carrying on of Nation-wide agitation in favor of "total abstinence for the individual, the absolute annihilation of the liquor traffic by the State," and the securing from the United States Government of "every effective means possible to aid the states and sub-divisions thereby in carrying out this policy."

The executive officers of the Council chosen at Pittsburg, January 31st, 1907, were reelected as follows: President, Dr. Samuel Dickie, member of the Methodist Episcopal Temperance Society; vice-president, Joshua Levering, member of the Temperance committee of the Baptist Church, Baltimore, Md.; corresponding secretary, Charles Scanlon, field organizer for the Temperance committee of the Presbyterian Church, Pittsburg; Treasurer, Dr. Homer J. Hall, secretary American Temperance Board of the Church of Christ; financial secretary, H. D. Fulton, Canonsburg, Pa.

Officials representing the following thirteen denominations participated in the Conference, and every hour of the two days' session was filed with interest and suggestive addresses: Methodist Episcopal, Presbyterian Church of North America, United Presbyterian, Southern Presbyterian, Reformed Presbyterian, Congregational, Methodist Protestant, Evangelical Lutheran, Friends, African Methodist Episcopal, Disciples of Christ and Unitarian.

In the absence of president Samuel Dickie, Hon. Felix T. McWhiter of Indianapolis called the Council to order Tuesday morning. Rev. E. C. Dinwiddie of Washington, D. C., chairman of the Temperance committee of the General Synod of the Lutheran Church, was chosen secretary of the Biennial Session.

Over one hundred delegates were chosen from the above denominations, and all parts of the country were represented.

Wednesday afternoon the Council adopted the following report of the Committee, as the statement of its attitude upon current phases of the liquor question:

Resolutions Approve President Taft's Effort To Suppress Opium Trade.

"In harmony with the position taken by our constituent bodies, we declare ourselves unalterably committed to the doctrine of total abstinence for the individual, the duty of the absolute annihilation of the liquor traffic by the State, and the urgent necessity that the United States Government provide every effective means possible to aid the states, and sub-divisions thereof, in carrying out this policy.

"The call by President Taft of a conference of Nations, to meet at The Hague in the near future, to aid China, and other nations, in their efforts to suppress the opium trade, meets our most hearty approval, and we pledge our steadfast support to this movement; and we request that the secretary of this council do all in his power to have this matter presented to the leaders of the churches so far as possible in every country, to the intent that the united voice of Christendom be now heard in behalf of this movement.

Council Urges Local and State Federation of all Churches For More Effective Union Against Liquor Traffic.

"We urge that the plan of this Council be extended to, and made effective in every town and city, by the federation of all our churches, for active and aggressive temperance work. And to this end, we invite a careful consideration of the possibility of establishing co-operative lecture courses upon temperance and other reforms, similar to the Chautauqua circuits, when the best talent of the world is placed within the reach of all at lowest cost and smallest waste of time, and we recommend that the general officers of this Council undertake, if possible, to test this plan in one state, believing that if it can be made effective in one State, it may easily be extended to all.

"Large municipal posters containing the latest word of science upon the harmful effects of intoxicating drink, and the physical degeneracy caused by alcoholism, are being extensively used by the city governments of France, England, and Australia, in such fashion that no one who can read may escape the knowledge and warning. We earnestly commend this wise method of temperance education, and urge that it be adopted wherever possible.

Asks Congress for Establishment of Prohibition Zones Around Indian Reservations.

"We urge upon Congress the establishment of Prohibition zones surrounding the Indian Reservations in the territories within the United States, as embodied in the Hamilton-Owen Bill pending before the appropriate committees of Congress.

"We re-affirm our belief in the inquiry, value and desirability of an exhaustive official, by authority of Congress, into the effects of the alcoholic liquor traffic on society in its various relations, and in the different departments of the Government.

"We favor improved temperance legislation for the District of Columbia and urge our co-operating church constituencies actively to promote the efforts of our forces at the national capitol to this end.

"We are opposed to the sale of intoxicating liquors in all buildings, and upon all premises controlled by United States Government, and favor legislation by Congress to this end.

Launches Movement For Territorial Prohibition In Hawaii By Congressional Action.

"RESOLVED, That we authorize petition to Congress also in behalf of the Johnson Bill to prohibit liquor selling in Hawaii.

"That we recognize the importance and the value of non-ecclesiastical temperance agencies in the prosecution of temperance work, and bid them Godspeed in their noble efforts."

Among those present were Hon. Felix T. McWhiter, Indianapolis, treasurer Prohibition National Committee; Rev. Thomas H. Hanna, Jr., pastor U. P. Church; Rev. W. F. Crafts, general superintendent of the International Reform Bureau; Hon. A. E. Wilson, secretary of the Methodist Episcopal Temperance Society and superintendent of the Lincoln Temperance Chautauqua; Mrs. Zilia Foster Stevens, Temperance secretary of the International Sunday School Committee; Rev. William Parsons, D.D., secretary National Reform Federation and a member of the Presbyterian Temperance Committee; Rev. T. H. Acheson, D. D., moderator of the General Synod, Reformed Presbyterian Church; Rev. F. L. Sigmund, D.D., member of the Lutheran Temperance Committee; Dr. Homer J. Hall, secretary American Temperance Board of the Church of Christ; Rev. J. T. McCrotty, chairman of the temperance committee of the United Presbyterian Church; Dr. Charles Blanchard, president of Wheaton College; Rev. William H. Ramsey, representing the Unitarian Temperance Society; Rev. J. P. Cowan, ex-moderator of the United Presbyterian General Assembly; Mrs. Elith Smith Davis, director of the Bureau of Scientific Temperance of the National and World's W. C. T. U.; Rev. J. S. Martin, D.D., general superintendent of the National Reform Association; Rev. E. L. Eaton, D.D., representing M. E. Church; Hon. Frank L. Young, representing the Unitarian Temperance Society; Judge Samuel Artman, chairman of the American Temperance Board of the Church of Christ; E. M. Haggard, M.D., Rev. C. H. Mead, D.D., Editor National Temperance Advocate; Rev. E. C. Dinwiddie, chairman of the temperance committee of the General Synod of the Lutheran Church; Mrs. Frances Beauchamp, State president of the Kentucky W. C. T. U.; Hon. John G. Woolley, editor, author and lecturer; Rev. E. S. Shoemaker, Indianapolis; Rev. Dr. Taylor, Indianapolis; Rev. E. G. Clutten; Hon. Charles R. Jones, Chicago.

WHY SCIENCE IS ENDORSING TOTAL ABSTINENCE FROM ALCOHOLIC DRINK.

Significant Conclusions Reached by American and European Authorities.—Startling Confirmation of Scientific Views Found in Investigations in American Schools.

(Associated Prohibition Press.)

(Significant excerpts from address at National Inter-Church Temperance Council by Mrs. Edith Smith Davis, national superintendent of scientific temperance instruction, W. C. T. U., "Fundamental Scientific Truths of the Temperance Reform.")

"That total abstinence rests upon an absolutely scientific basis is a fact that needs to be emphasized in every possible way in the present day temperance agitation. Sir Victor Horsley, not long ago publicly said: 'From the scientific standpoint total abstinence must be the course, if we are to follow the plain teaching of truth and common sense.'

"Our international congress which was held last July in London is no longer denominated, 'The International Congress against the Abuse of Alcohol,' but is now 'The International Congress against the Use of Alcohol, for as Dr. Koppe so tersely said, 'The Abuse of Alcohol commences with its use.'

"What then are the scientific truths respecting alcohol which we deem fundamental in reaching the conclusion that we must have total abstinence from alcohol? First, that alcohol is a narcotic drug and poisonous in its action. Alcohol is usually classified by pharmacologists with such narcotics as chloroform and ether for it has a two-fold action. (1) Temporary exhilarant; (2) Depressant. But as the depressant action of alcohol is much longer continued than the ex-

hilarant it is rightly termed a narcotic. In all its form it acts as a depressant on normal activities.

"That alcohol is a poison is not a new scientific discovery for as far back as the golden age of Greece, we read in Xenophon's Memorabilia. "Temperance means first moderation in healthful indulgence; and secondly, abstinence from things dangerous, as the use of intoxicating wines.

And even Homer speaks before that of "In-flaming wine, pernicious to mankind, unnerves the limbs and dulls the noble mind."

Dr. David Starr Jordan of Leland Stanford, Jr., University, says: "The basis of intemperance is the effort to secure through drugs the feeling of happiness when happiness does not exist. Men destroy their nervous system for the tingling pleasures they feel as its structures are torn apart. The evil in drink is not primarily intoxication, but nerve disturbance.' Without doubt the greatest peril of alcohol is to the nervous system."

WHY SCIENCE IS ENDORSING TOTAL ABSTINENCE FROM ALCOHOLIC DRINK.

"In visiting the schools it is sometimes my sad duty to go to those for mentally deficient children. To such a one I went in the city of St. Louis. It was a private institution for idiotic children. In reply to my question as to the causes of the condition of these children, the superintendent replied: 'In almost every case the cause is the drink habit of the father and mother. These children are from some of the wealthiest homes of St. Louis.

"In an ungraded room in the City of Boston, I found thirty-five children, all foreign born. In answer to my questions as to how many of these children were mentally deficient, the teacher replied: 'I think there are seven in this room.' Could you give me the causes of this mental deficiency? the teacher replied. "That would be a little difficult," was her reply. "These classes all closely inter-marry, but all of these children use the home-made wines as did their fathers and mothers. That, of course, is one of the main causes."

"In the city of Springfield, Mass., I went at the invitation of the teacher, to see a room full of little Italian boys take their baths. The thin emaciated bodies vividly reminded me of the pictures of the India famine sufferers. I asked, 'Why are they so thin and emaciated? 'Insufficient food,' was the reply. "These children will soon go home to their lunch which will consist of bread and some kind of home-made wine or beer. They will come back to school so stupid that for the first hour after luncheon, we can do little or nothing with them.

"Dr. T. B. Hyslop of England says: 'Intemperance does not necessarily mean only obvious and palpable drunkenness. From the very mo-

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S BRANCH.

The plans given below which come to us from the National Woman's Temperance Union, will, I am sure, meet the approval of every White Ribboner who has the interest of the young people at heart. We must have the young people, the boys and girls to help us in our great work, and I trust that the suggestion of our State President at the last State Convention, will be carried out and that a woman will be appointed in each Union to have charge of the young people's work, and that she bend her energies to have a Young People's branch organized at an early date, using the suggested Constitution as a basis for their organization, electing officers from their own number who will take charge of the work in their locality.

The books for the Study Course are not yet ready, but the Year Book will be out soon with programs, so that no society need be inactive.

The Union Signal will be the official organ of the new Branch and each month we are to have one edition with a number of pages devoted to Branch interests. There will be extra copies of this edition printed and furnished monthly to branch members at 25 cents per year. There will also be a Question Box each month in The Signal, sending all questions to Miss Rhena Mosher, Rest Cottage, Evanston, Illinois.

My dear sisters, let us make a strong pull, and a pull altogether to get the young people. This change will in no way weaken our work, but rather strengthen it, so let us exercise wisdom, love and patience and make this glorious year of service. I have some excellent leaflets for young people, and will gladly send to all who will ask for them. Please send me your orders for the Year Books early, and as soon as they are out, I will fill your orders. You will find these books very helpful, I am sure.

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CHRISTMAS.

And, to, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them: "Fear not, for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying:

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will to men."—Luke 2. 9:14.

In contemplation of the wonderful significance of Christmas, we should spend an hour every evening for three weeks before Christmas, talking with the children about what the advent and life of Christ has meant to the world. Tell the children of the conditions among men before Christ, how one tribe or nation conquered another by physical force or war made captives and slaves of the conquered. Tell them of the life and teachings of Christ and something of its effect upon mankind. Especially should emphasis be laid upon the contrasting conditions in our country and other lands where the people do not know of Christ or of His teachings.

What a blessed privilege it is to be born in Christian America instead of in heathen India or China! The difference is that here we have had the teaching of the gospel of Christ. Too much stress cannot be laid upon this fact. Children will readily understand and appreciate much that is told them. History of nations is very interesting and combined with the great story of Christ will have much of lasting value to each child who hears.

The exemplification of the Christ spirit, "gift giving" to the poor and unfortunate should be encouraged among children. Mothers and fathers who encourage their children in "scattering, sunshine" among the poor and "shut-ins" on Christmas will find it helpful in developing the Christian character of their children.

If the mother in the home is sensible and just to herself and to her husband, in the selection of useful, helpful presents for members of the family there will be great pleasure, without after regrets.

Children should be discouraged from spending money for Christmas gifts. All children should be urged to make their gifts.

In homes where the boys and girls plan to make the children less fortunately situated happy with gifts there will be Christmas joy.

The making of candy, popcorn balls and cookies, dressing dolls, potting little plants, planting bulbs and seeds in boxes or pots for winter blooming and fixing of sleds and wagons for poor girls and boys will create a new interest in Christmas. It will bring into many a child life a real joy and will emphasize the wonderful significance of the birth and life of Jesus Christ.

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At the Christmas Season. The unwarranted extravagance and expenditure of strength and energy so common now with the average home is not prompted by a spirit of praise and adoration.

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Of all Women, the American women are the most favored with opportunity and privilege. The spiritual and intellectual atmosphere of the American home is safely gauged by the desires and purposes of the American woman.

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Gifts Easily Made by boys and girls are often a great pleasure to friends or to the sick or poor.

SUGGESTIONS: Candy, boxes and cornucopias in which to put candy, Christmas cards, scrap books, calendars, address books and shaving pads, &c. having paper backs tied with tiny ribbon and decorated with water color paints or with gilt.

Small scrap books can be made on such subjects as Christmas, love, happiness, wireless telegraphy, air-ships, &c. Household, cooking or candy receipt books make a useful interesting gift.

"Open House on New Years Day," kept by the W. C. T. U. would be greatly enjoyed in many a community. One day of real old-fashioned hospitality would give much real pleasure.

If it was announced two weeks ahead of time that the W. C. T. U. would keep "Open House" at the home of Mr. and Mrs. on New Years Day" and a genuinely good time planned the day would be a success.

Let the refreshments consist of apples, nuts, coffee, doughnuts and coffee cake, &c., such good things as our grand mothers used to make and serve generously. During intervals of the afternoon and evening have vocal music and short readings. On a table near the hall door let there be an ample supply of wholesome temperance literature to be taken by the guests who may be interested.

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A Christmas Plan. Give into the charge of one member of the family all of the well wrapped and plainly addressed Christmas presents including those received by mail, these should all be put into a basket and placed in an unused room to remain until after the Christmas morning work is all done and the house in order.

On Christmas morning the household should be up early and all promptly at the breakfast table. An impressive little program should be arranged and carried out before the breakfast is served. The family is usually alone at breakfast. Suggestive program:

Singing followed by the reading of the story of the blessed Christ child by the head of the family.

Appropriate short poems or quotations read by each person at the table.

Singing a song in which the boys and girls can join.

Prayer, closing with the repetition of the Lord's Prayer by all.

Breakfast over the house put in order before the gifts are distributed.

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S BRANCH. (Continued from page 1.)

CONSTITUTION RECOMMENDED FOR LOCAL YOUNG PEOPLE'S BRANCH.

NAME.

Article 1. The name of this organization shall be the Young People's Branch of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of

OBJECT.

Article 2. The object shall be to unite the young people of this community for the promotion of total abstinence, purity and prohibition.

MEMBERSHIP.

Article 3. Any young woman or man between the ages of fourteen and twenty-five may become a member by the payment each year of dues into the local treasury and signing the following pledge:

"I hereby solemnly promise, God helping me, to abstain from the use of alcoholic liquors, including wine, beer and cider, from tobacco and narcotics in every form, and to discourage the use of and traffic in the same."

AUXILIARYSHIP

Article 4. This organization shall send each year, in the manner prescribed by the State cents for each young woman member to the treasurer of the State W. C. T. U., who will forward 10 cents of this to the treasurer of the National. This shall constitute auxiliaryship in the State and National W. C. T. U. Such payment shall entitle the Young Peoples' Branch to the same representation in convention as is accorded the W. C. T. U., but in all cases the delegates and ex-officio representatives must be young women.

OFFICERS.

Article 5. Young women and young men are equally eligible to office.

STUDY COURSE.

Article 6. A four years' study course shall constitute a part of the local work of the Society and every pledged member satisfactorily completing the full course shall be entitled to a National diploma.

GENERAL SECRETARY.

Article 7. The local General Secretary of the Young Peoples' Branch shall be appointed by the local W. C. T. U. and shall have general oversight of the branch.

AMENDMENTS.

Article 8. Articles may be added to this constitution in conformity with State and local needs, but no change can be made that will weaken the pledge or alter conditions of auxiliaryship as defined in Article 4.

SUGGESTION: When in the judgment of the officers of the State W. C. T. U. and the General Secretary of the Young Peoples Branch, it seems desirable to frame a State organization of the Young Peoples Branches, a convention may be called for this purpose.

Yours for service,

LAURA G. CAMMACK,

State Y. Sec.

Converse, Ind.

PLAN OF WORK FOR LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

- I. (1) That renewed emphasis be placed upon Junior work and that this be known as the Loyal Temperance Legion Branch.
- (2) That the Loyal Temperance Legion Manuals shall be used in the Loyal Temper-

ance Legion, and that all pledged members completing the course shall receive diplomas.

- II. (1) That emphasis also be placed upon the work among young people, and that this be known as the Young Peoples Branch of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.
- (2) That in organizing new societies for young people the age limit shall be from fourteen to twenty-five, except in colleges, where there shall be no age limit.
- (3) A study course shall constitute a part of the local work of each Young Peoples Branch of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and all pledged members completing the course shall receive diplomas.
- (4) That a committee be appointed to prepare a four years' course of study for the Young Peoples Branch on the principles for which the W. C. T. U. stands, beginning with total abstinence.
- (5) Young Peoples Branch of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union shall become auxiliary to the National through the State W. C. T. U. by the payment of the same auxiliary dues for the young women members as are paid by the members of the W. C. T. U. and shall be entitled to three same representation; in all cases the delegate must be a young woman.
- (6) That the Constitution be so amended as to harmonize with the provisions of this plan.

JOHN PARKER WISE. The untimely death of J. Parker Wise of Metuchen, N. J., son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. F. T. McWhirter brings great sorrow into the home of the editor of "The Message." Mr. Wise belonged to an old and prominent Cincinnati family, he was the son of Capt. Robert W. Wise. Mr. Wise was graduated from De Pauw University at the age of twenty-two years with the honor of Phi Beta Kappa, entered Denver University Law School and in one year won such distinction in scholarship as to entitle him to the position of secretary to the Dean of Columbia University Law School, New York. He was graduated from Columbia with credit in June, 1905. In the same month he was married to his college sweetheart, Miss Ethel McWhirter who was graduated in the same class with him at De Pauw. Mr. Wise had been made trustee and financial agent for a family of wealth who reside in Europe, so immediately after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Wise went to live in an old mansion on a fine old estate in New Jersey across the Hudson River from New York City. Mrs. Wise although a very young woman had served Indiana as State superintendent of Flower Mission Department. Soon after going to New Jersey she organized a W. C. T. U., Union of which she was a most successful president. She was also county corresponding secretary. The hospitality of their magnificent home was enjoyed by many White Ribboners. No effort or sacrifice was too great for Mr. Wise to make to help his wife in her W. C. T. U. work. The prestige and influence given the cause meant much in the community. Mr. Wise himself was very much interested in the work for humanity and in social reform. He zealously studied the problem of the working man from a sociological standpoint and believed that a new adjustment of economic conditions is imperative before the teachings of Jesus can be followed in their true spirit. Mr. Wise was a thinker, a writer of ability and a forceful interesting speaker. His last public address was made before the "Brotherhood" of his home church on Christian Socialism. In his position as trustee necessarily many working men were under his direction as far as possible under existing economic conditions, he put into practice his convictions in his dealings with them, and they revered him. From his happy, sunny charitable disposition the Christ life he lived shone forth continually and all who knew him felt the strength of his personality, the sweetness of his character and his ever present faith in the goodness of God. Through Mr. Wise's death after a few days illness of acute Bright's disease a full rounded remarkable life of thirty years was closed. The church, the W. C. T. U., the community and the State have suffered the loss of a man whose brilliant intellect and magnetic personality were untiringly used for the progress of humanity.

The young wife has returned to her father's home in Indianapolis.

DEPARTMENT OF PURITY IN LITERATURE AND ART.

My dear co-workers:

Another year has begun and we must get to work.

We came from our great State convention full of enthusiasm and plans, now let us keep up that spirit through the entire year. Let all presidents, local and county see that this department is taken up in their immediate territory and then see that the work is done. So much is said about the influence of the press in these days that we ought to feel a keen interest in striving to make it what it ought to be. No Union is so small or of so little account but what it can

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make its influence felt in this work. Sisters will you not do it?

Please do not read this article and then forget it because it does not mean you, for it does mean every white ribboner in the State. No superintendent can do the work of a whole Union especially in this department, but every woman can do her share to bring about the desired results, namely, a clean press for the State of Indiana and billboards that do not disgrace the community where they stand. Some of you did fine work last year that was reported and I presume much was done that was not reported. Let us double our efforts this year so that when the annual report blanks are sent out you will each have a good report to send to me.

I intend to send literature to each county during the next week or two and I sincerely hope that you will read it and use it in each Union, otherwise there is no need of my sending it.

Wishing you all abundant success, I am loyally yours.

(Mrs.) ELNORA G. McNAUGHTON,
Steuben County. Ray, Indiana.

DEPARTMENT PENNANTS.

I have in my possession the following pennants that were not claimed:

W. C. T. U. demonstration night at Muncie, "Soldiers and Sailors" Sunday School, "Peace and Arbitration" and "Railroad Employees."

If I can be notified where they belong I will gladly send them. There seems to be a few pennants missing, if any have been taken through mistake, please send them to me.

(Mrs.) GERTRUDE FULTON,
Portland, Indiana.

PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

Editor "Message":

Kindly convey to the Sisterhood of Peace my greetings for our opening year. It is a cheering token to me that several of them have already written for leaflets needed in preparation for the second December meeting, and for "Peace Sunday," December 19.

I hope many more will send, and will ask that they remember to enclose a few cents to pay for cost of literature and postage; as it saves both them and myself extra postage on exchange of letters inquiring cost and reply. Ten cents will pay for the literature they require for preparation of the program, and it will be sent as promptly as may be. If leaflets are wanted for distribution at the meetings, that of course will require more, and may need letters of inquiry. The booklets "Grotius" and "Prince of Peace" are 3 cents each; two for 5 cents.

(Mrs.) LAVINIA DAILY,
State Superintendent.

Richmond, Indiana.

MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY WOODARD.

Dear White Ribboners of Indiana:

When I say "dear" I do not use the term as a mere courteous address, for with every woman who wears the white ribbon I feel there is "a tie that binds our hearts in Christian love." In meeting so many of our true and tried workers at our recent Muncie convention, and in reading the account of our great national convention at Omaha in the "Union Signal," I seem to have had a "fresh baptism" of love and zeal for our great organization and all it stands for and my heart burns with a desire to enlist the women of our State in this holy warfare for home and country.

Good news comes to my desk from many parts of the State, showing that our brave comrades are awake and active. Public meetings are being held, contests prepared for, and regular campaigns for membership are being planned in many counties. Here a county president says, "our work is starting out nicely." Another says, "we are at work and will organize some new Unions this year." Another, "I mean to do all I can to build up the work in my county." And many others have made the same resolution that have not written me about it.

We have a number of splendid organizers in the State who ought to be kept busy. Will not county presidents and local Unions plan for some of these at unorganized points and prepare the way for organization. Our dear Mrs. Haughton, who served us so long as State Evangelist was made a State organizer and lecturer at our recent State convention and is free to go to any part of the State on short notice. She will hold one meeting or a series of meetings as desired. Send for her and she will do you good.

Mrs. Mary Sibbitt is afieid holding enthusiastic meetings and winning new members for us. She will be in the State until holidays and perhaps longer.

For leaflets called for in the "Model Program," write to me.

Yours for service,
(Miss) MARY E. WOODARD.

NOTICE.

Magazines and periodicals that carry wine, beer, or liquor advertisements should not be included in the subscriptions from any White Ribboners home for 1910. Now is the time to agitate this subject. Do this in every way possible. Urge Christians to refuse to subscribe for any periodical that carries liquor ads. Yes, of course

many of the great daily newspapers carry liquor ads. and it will be so until the church people make a loud enough protest to make the business unprofitable.

For Christmas a very practical and appropriate gift would be a years subscription to "The Union Signal." Address: Evanston, Ill. Price one dollar.

Every woman of intelligence and interest in Christian temperance work would appreciate fifty-two visits of this, the greatest woman's reform periodical in the whole world.

Subscriptions to "The Crusader Monthly." Address: Evanston, Ill. Price, twenty-five cents per year.

Better far to have this splendid paper visit a boy or girl twelve times this year than to give the same amount of money for little "presents." The price of subscription in stamps can usually be safely placed in letter.

Hon. John G. Woolley made two very able addresses in Indianapolis during the time of the National Inter Church Temperance Conference. One address at the Conference and one for the First United Brethren Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Woolley return soon to Hawaii for a year.

Our State Officers were all with the exception of Mrs. Pearce in attendance at the Inter-Church Temperance Conference. President Vayhinger sat upon the platform with the noted speakers of our nation.

Lecturers and Organizers of ability should be secured for services in January, February or March. To get great results a great deal of hard work must be done in planning and advertising the meetings for weeks previous.

Our W. C. T. U. women are very efficient in all lines of work and do everything else pertaining to our organization better and more thorough than in advertising and working up public meetings.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP.

My Dear White Ribboners:

I have my "Plan of Work" ready to send out as soon as I receive the State Minutes with directory. So I may be able to have the names and addresses of every county Christian Citizenship superintendent, as well as every county and local president. You will notice the proship program. I will ask you to carry this out fully in your Local meeting, therefore, when you receive my "Plan of Work," please put it away carefully, so you may have it when the time comes to use it. I hope you will begin now to make notes of work done in this department so when the time for reporting comes you will have a reminder.

Praying for this to be the greatest year for awakening along the lines of Christian Citizenship. I am,

Faithfully yours,
(Mrs.) GERTRUDE FULTON,
State Superintendent.

Portland, Indiana,
422 E. Main Street.

WHY SCIENCE IS ENDORSING TOTAL ABSTINENCE FROM ALCOHOLISM DRINK.

(Continued from page 1.)

ment in which alcohol has disturbed the health exercise of the mental faculties, or has impaired the moral sense by unduly exciting the animal passions, or has in any way unfitted a person for discharging his duties in the proper struggle, for survival, from that moment has there been guilt of intemperance.

"This balanced controlling force is destroyed in the man whose brain cells are poisoned by alcohol. The valuable controlling mechanism is no longer at work. It is more or less paralyzed. Dr. Jordan says: 'To be able to hold liquor in excess, without drunkenness, indicates not strength, but a depressed and disordered nervous system.'

"Count Von Hasler of Germany, says: 'The soldier who abstains altogether, is the best man. He can accomplish more, can march better, and is a better soldier than the man who drinks even moderately. Mentally and physically he is better. Lord Kitchener and Lord Roberts give like testimony and Sir Frederick Treves says: 'As a work producer, alcohol is exceedingly extravagant, and like all other extravagant measures leads to a physical bankruptcy. It is also curious that troops cannot work or march on alcohol.'

"Another conclusion of science is that alcohol is in no sense a food. The popular belief that it is a food probably comes from the fact that it allays the sensation of hunger. This it does by its narcotic action upon the brain.

"Sir Victor Horsley says: 'The truth is that the physiological effects of real food-stuffs on the one hand, and alcohol on the other, are totally different. Fats, carbohydrates and nitrogenous food after mastication, at once begin to be digested and assimilated, and to fulfill the true functions of a 'food' by maintaining the natural temperature, pulse-rate, and tissue repair of the body without any disturbance of its mental and physical functions and activities. Alcohol on the other hand, pursues a very different course.

It is absorbed by the stomach unaltered by the digestive processes; circulating in the blood in its original form, it at once interferes with the ordinary activity of the brain and other organs, and by its anaesthetic action hampers our mental and physical activities. It further interferes with the living chemical processes of the body, in such a marked manner that we have been obliged to acknowledge that alcohol is a prime factor in causing such conditions as gout, eczema, headache, lumbago and certain neuralgic pains.' Indeed Sir Victor Horsley names forty diseases due to alcohol alone or as a contributing cause. It may be well to remember in this connection that at the International Congress of Tuberculosis which met in Paris in 1905, the following resolution was passed: 'That in view of the close connection between alcoholism and tuberculosis, this Congress strongly emphasizes the importance of combining the fight against tuberculosis with the struggle against alcoholism.'

"At the recent Congress against the use of alcohol in London, no paper was more attentively listened to, or regarded as of such value as the one read by Prof. Taav Laithinen of Finland, on "The Influence of Alcohol on Immunity." It was the third of the Norman Kerr Memorial lectures. After giving, in a most carefully tabulated form, the result of his experiments for a period covering more than three years of the action of alcohol on the resistive power of human red blood corpuscles, Dr. Laithinen reached this scientific conclusion: 'That alcohol, even in comparatively small doses, exercises a prejudicial effect on the protective mechanism of the human body.' A specific effect of alcohol is the injury to the white corpuscles of the blood which constitute our direct protection against contagious diseases.

"Fiction in its own fashion, voices the conclusions of science and it is indeed pertinent that Robert W. Chambers put into the mouth of the physician who speaks to the young clubman, such words as these: 'Alcohol is poison, and it has not and never had in any guise the slightest compensating value for internal use. It isn't a food. It is a poison. It isn't an aid to digestion. It is poison. It is a life saver; it is a life taker. It is a parasite, forger, thief, liar, brutalizer, murderer. There isn't and there never has been one word to say for it, or any excuse, except morbid predisposition or self-uneducated inclination for swallowing it. You can take your choice.'

"There is but one scientific conclusion. Every child in the public schools as well as every student in our colleges should be taught the truth, and then, in the words of the great teacher of the world: 'Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free.'

INDIANAPOLIS HAS A WOMAN ON THE SCHOOL BOARD.

Systematic campaign work on the part of the Woman's School Commissioner Organization resulted in the election of Miss Mary E. Nicholson to the Indianapolis School Board.

The use of a beautifully furnished room in the new Odd Fellow Building was given for headquarters. Telephones were installed and Mrs. Carrie Goodwin Rexford, a woman of ability and experience was employed as office secretary.

For six weeks a strenuous campaign was conducted by the women. Letters were sent out by the hundreds to prominent men and women explaining the plan and need of the campaign. Small explanatory leaflets and announcement cards were printed and distributed by the tens of thousands.

Friends, both men and women contributed their services as workers and speakers, often paying their own street car fare. Much help was given the Organization by men with automobiles who took the speakers to night meetings.

All kinds of societies of men and women were addressed by our speakers and leaflets and cards distributed. It was the time of the city campaign and many of the official precinct meetings were attended. These were sometimes held in a store room, office or private parlor.

A courteous hearing was always granted our speakers. An appeal for a "woman on the School Board" met with courtesy, kindness and often with approval from precinct workers representing many phases of society. Men know that women should have a voice in all that pertains to the education of the child.

Among all classes of women there were individual workers pledging men to vote for Miss Nicholson. Many men were not only pledged to vote for Miss Nicholson but pledged to get three, five or ten men to vote for her. Leaflets and cards were carried by the women in their hand bags and handed out to men wherever possible.

Many W. C. T. U. women did effective work for Miss Nicholson and they helped greatly by their presence at the polls on election day. Effort was made to have two women at all the polls handing out cards to the voters, however, not that many women were out. Everywhere they were treated with the greatest courtesy and respect.

Money in small amounts was contributed by women and a few men amounting in all about five hundred dollars which paid all expenses and left a small balance.

The Woman's School Commissioner Organization committee consisted of the following persons: Dr. Amelia R. Keller, chairman; Miss Harriet Noble, secretary and treasurer; Miss

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Adelaide Burch, Mrs. Grace Julian Clarke, Mrs. J. H. Barnhill, Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, Mrs. Corrina Robbins Barnes, Mrs. Albert Metzger, Mrs. Martha L. Gipe, Mrs. W. S. Johnston.

MAGAZINES AND PERIODICALS THAT EXCLUDE LIQUOR ADVERTISING.

This list was secured by Mrs. Zillah Foster Stevens and published in the Sunday School Times:

All-Story, American Boy, American Magazine, Arena, Argosy, Century, Circle, Collier's, Country Life in America, Current Literature, Delineator, Designer, Everybody's Magazine, Garden Magazine, Good Housekeeping, Housekeeper, Housewife, Ladies' Home Journal, Ladies' World, Literary Digest, Living Age, McClure's Magazine, New England Magazine, Ocean, Outlook, Railroad Man's Magazine, Review of Reviews, Saturday Evening Post, Scrap Book, St. Nichols, Suburban Life, Success Magazine, Uncle Remee's Magazine, Woman's Home Companion, World Today, Youth's Companion.

Ohio W. C. T. U. convention was held in Toledo. State membership 30,208, a gain of 2,189 members this year. The following report was made by the State Board of Trustees:

The funds invested for the Ohio W. C. T. U. and interest thereof used as a superintendents' fund are, Vinal Fund, \$700; Brakefield Fund, \$2,077; Margaret Peebles, \$1,000; Franchise, \$644; A Friend, \$500. Fifteen hundred dollars were given this year, with instructions to invest and use the interest.

We also hold 48 shares of Sturges, Proctor & Gamble, worth 1,200. Expended for one share stock \$245, for Franchise work \$150, Literature \$10, Postage \$10—\$108.28 accrued interest is on hand for superintendents the coming year.

The discussion on Trustees report showed that our president had taken advantage of a special offer of Proctor & Gamble (Ivory soap firm) and had secured a share of their stock for \$245.00, which was worth \$300.00 market price. Also that Mr. Edwards, brother-in-law of Florence Richards, was giving 5 per cent interest on \$4,921.00 in his bank, which is one per cent. more than other banks give. Mrs. Jaite told of a \$1,000 bequest from Miss Margaret Peebles, a former member of the Board of Trustees.

The Publisher of the Messenger reported receipts \$3,065.37 also for advertising \$172.25. As \$200 above receipts had been expended, it was decided to try six months longer, and if expenses were above receipts to reduce the size of the paper at Mid-Year Meeting. The State treasurer reported receipts as \$18,121.71, disbursements \$15,233.37.

Salary estimates were: State president, \$600; stenographer, \$425; corresponding secretary, \$300; treasurer, \$360; clerical help for the State treasurer, \$50.

The printing of the State Minutes was left in the hands of the State president and State corresponding secretary. The editor and publisher of the Ohio Messenger were to receive \$20 per month each. The State superintendents all \$10 each except contests, L. T. L. \$30 and superintendent of Work Among Colored People \$15.

The interest of the Margaret Peebles fund to be paid toward organization. The receipts of the superintendent of Contest work had been \$162.34 and expenditures \$100.56 carried that she receive 20 per cent. of the net proceeds contest night at State convention. The receipts at Lake Side Cottage this year were \$208, which paid for all repairs and expenses and left \$50 in the treasury.

\$12,046.45 was raised by Unions for campaign purposes and other work outside of membership dues and department work.

Idaho almost "dry" outside of incorporated towns while many of the cities will soon be "dry." Hon. Paul Clagstone, a millionaire rancher, speaker of the last Legislature of Idaho and aspirant for governor, successor to Governor Brady, has decided to make a determined fight against the saloon element in the State. He said, "State after State has demanded and obtained prohibition and the majority of Idaho counties are declaring against the saloon system."

Field News

The Gosport W. C. T. U. held a parlor social at the home of its president, Mrs. Alice Wampler. Several departments of work were splendidly demonstrated by something original from the various superintendents. Each one was very cleverly done, but the prettiest and most effective was the Mother's department demonstration, in which Mrs. Martha Burton, the superintendent of this department rolled a baby cab into the back parlor and silently and fondly rocked the baby while Mrs. Daisy Sexson played and softly recited, "The Hand That Rocks The Cradle Rules The World." We were all made to realize more forcibly than ever that the mothers of today are molding the characters that must make or mar tomorrow and that it depends largely upon the wise and careful training the mother gives her child that must determine what this shall be.

Sunday evening, November 7th, Mrs. Sibbitt of Kansas lectured to a large and enthusiastic audience at the M. E. Church. The manner in which she handled her subject, "The Bugle Call of The

20th Century" showed her to be a speaker of great power and influence.

We have had four new members the past week. We feel that our efforts are not in vain and that the Master in his own good time will right every wrong.—Lulu S. Wampler, press superintendent.

The Madison Union held a very helpful Mother's meeting with Mrs. Newman on West Main Street and for one week conducted a Rummage Sale with profit.

La Porte Union has enrolled four new members since the State convention. Our Dear State corresponding secretary, Miss Woodard has made plain in the November "Message" the way to gain enough new members to make the 10,000 by September 15th, 1910. Surely this can be done easily by any three members. La Porte is going to try hard to double its membership by the end of the W. C. T. U. year.—Mrs. Seth Pease, press superintendent.

Brazil (Clay County) Union had Mrs. Mary Sibbitt of Kansas for the afternoon and evening of November 3d. In the afternoon at the home of Mrs. Harry Falls, the mother's of the city were invited and when the hour for speaking had arrived the house was full. They did not go away at all disappointed but said it was the best talk to mothers, they had ever listened to.

Mrs. Sibbitt gave her lecture, "Bugle Call of The 20th Century" in the evening to appreciative audience. Not so many voters were present as the Union wished for. All went away saying the message was true and to the point.

Mrs. Sibbitt surely sets stakes for State-wide Prohibition in two years. You can't miss it, in having Mrs. Sibbitt.—Ella C. Falls, press superintendent.

The South Bend Pleasant View W. C. T. U. held the November meeting Wednesday, November 10th, at the home of Mrs. W. M. Baker, 725 Cedar Street. Mrs. E. L. Hall gave a very interesting talk on scientific temperance after which we were favored with a temperance reading by Miss Irine Kizer.

Plans were made during the business session for a Pastry Sale November 20th. We were pleased to have one new member added to our Union, and during the social hour refreshments were served by the hostess.

The December meeting will be held with Mrs. C. McDonald, 801 Dunond Avenue.—Mrs. Jacob Miller.

Mooresville W. C. T. U. is steadily growing in interest and membership annually. An all day meeting is held in Autumn when the delegates make their reports of the State convention. On the second day of November we met at the Christian Church for this purpose. A splendid program consisting of songs, solos, speeches and a reading by Mrs. Lillie Latta, the most important was the glowing report given by Mrs. Sadie Day. Two new members joined our ranks that day and at noon a splendid dinner was served to all and on the 9th and 10th we had the lecturer, Mrs. Sibbitt with us. Great good for our cause will be the result. We feel sure that her lectures here have caused a great revival in our W. C. T. U. work. Two new members claimed the white ribbon through her influence. We are planning now to entertain our physicians, teachers, school board and ministers.

In reality our revival dates from our county convention held here in August when we had our Dear Mrs. McWhirter as our leader and who spoke so many good words of encouragement and cheer to us. Mrs. McWhirter was an inspiration to our Union. She left many lasting impressions and imbued our members with new hope and renewed zeal. We are expecting great gains this year.

Brightwood Union of Indianapolis, met at the home of Mrs. E. C. Mulholland, 2405 Station Street, October 21. Mrs. A. J. Clark gave a reading, "Why Our Union Did Not Disband." We advise Unions to secure Mrs. Clark for a reading.—Mrs. Edgar F. Brown.

Madison W. C. T. U. have just closed a very successful Rummage Sale which was held in a room recently vacated by a saloon. Our town will be "dry" after November 16, excepting a few blind animals hiding about some of the soft dring parlors. However, they will not be in hiding very long, for the W. C. T. U. have their eyes and ears open and the Mayor of our city is running them down. Blind animals are expensive in Madison.—Mrs. G. E. Denny.

The Brownstown W. C. T. U. held a regular meeting on October 19th. The new officers were present and ready to discharge their duties. The officers are: Mrs. O. S. Brooke, president; Mrs. J. B. Burrell, vice-president; Mrs. Dr. Zaring, secretary, Mrs. Elmer Shepard, corresponding secretary; Mrs. H. H. Prince, treasurer. superintendents for the department were appointed as follows: Red letter days, Mrs. H. E. Kattman; Flower Mission, Mrs. Shannon Gray; superintendent press, Mrs. Elmer Shepard; woman's franchise, Mrs. R. H. Cribb; medal contest, Mrs. Caleb Tovey; evangelistic work, Mrs. Wright Vermilya; secretary "Y.", Mrs. William Endebrock.

Our delegate to the State convention made an interesting report of the proceedings of same.

An enthusiastic spirit pervaded the meeting, and there is a hopeful outlook for much work to be done the ensuing year.—Mrs. Elmer Shepard.

The November Everybody's Magazine contains a valuable and interesting article by Judge Ben B. Lindsey of Denver Juvenile Court, "The Beast and the Jungle." Have it read aloud some

evening every member of the family will be interested.

The Union Signal should be read by every temperance woman in Indiana and by all ministers and Sunday school superintendents and teachers. Price including a years subscription and price of money for sending is 2 cents a week. It will help every reader. Some rich women often do not feel their need of it, little do they realize what they miss. The ambitions valuable W. C. T. U. women realizes her need of the "Union Signal."

W. C. T. U. meetings should begin promptly on time and adjourn as promptly, if busy housewives are expected to attend. Long programs for public meetings are hurtful to the cause. People who are really friends get tired and say they cannot be bored by attending Woman's meetings for they never know when to begin and when to quit.

The Bath W. C. T. U. of Franklin county held a public meeting in M. E. Church at Bath Sunday evening, October 24. Echoes were heard from State convention. The president Mrs. Daisy Dare presiding. The meeting opened with song followed by prayer by Mrs. O. S. DuBois. The following delegates read reports from the State convention held at Muncie, October 1-5: Mrs. Winnie Smith and Mrs. Margaret Smith. These papers were good and very interesting. Mrs. Alie Van Ausdall, Mrs. Christina DuBois, Mrs. Lida Farr, Miss Grace Myers, Mrs. Carrie Sha er, Mrs. Don Moore and Mrs. Mary Bourne also attended the convention and gave reports. In closing her paper, Mrs. Shafer recited well the poem, "The Bridge." Miss Grace Myers in her usual winsome manner entertained the audience with a recitation entitled "Indiana Is Going Dry." After singing "The Fight Is On" the audience was dismissed with benediction. During the winter months we will meet with our co-workers at Bath, thinking the change beneficial all around.—Mary McCarty, press superintendent.

Howard County. As to the work of Howard county, we can say a great deal, and being an old W. C. T. U. transferred to new quarters, it will not be boasting, for me to say that, Howard county is alive and able to do hard work. A good county convention was held at an open parlor meeting with Mrs. Pedigo was given the report of our national delegate, Miss Amanda Turner and the report of Mrs. Ida Mix to the convention of the State Board of Charities and Correction, (Kokomo Union having sent her as their delegate.) These reports were interesting, instructive and inspiring. The evangelistic department, led by Mrs. Jennie Wooten, doing good work, having services at County House every two weeks. Services are also held at the jail on every Sunday morning. On Tuesday evening, Aunt Jennie (as she is familiarly known), informed me that there were only two prisoners in jail last week, the outcome of a "dry town." The superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction department called on the county superintendent of schools and on the superintendent of the Kokomo schools asking for information concerning the enforcement of the State law requiring the teaching of the effect of alcohol and narcotics upon the human system. Sabbath observance department is doing good work. At a recent all day session of the County executive Committee and the Board of Superintendents, a resolution was passed urging all W. C. T. U. women in the county to buy groceries on Friday instead of Saturday, thus helping to distribute their labor so as to prevent over work on Saturday and Saturday night for proprietors. Relief is needed on Saturdays for the men and for the dumb animals that are driven to delivery wagons. If not over worked on Saturday man will be better prepared to enjoy the sanctity and the spiritual privileges of the Sabbath Day. The Press Department has saved since the State convention temperance news besides notices, items to the number of a total of 1,440 have been collected over four feet of—column wide—of contributed by this department during its duration. Flower Mission, Sunday school and medal contest departments are all planning aggressive work. We hope soon to report work done by all the twenty-one departments in Howard county.—Mrs. Irene Gard.

Our Promoted Comrades

MISS SOPHRONIA BAYLEES, died October 7th, 1909. She was a faithful member of the Christian church, and a charter member of Madison W. C. T. U., organized in 1904. She was a faithful attendant to her church, Sunday school and mid-week prayer meeting and an enthusiast on the temperance subject, being well read she did in her quiet way much to bring about the Local Option success which made old Jefferson "dry" last April. Though afflicted with rheumatism she marched in the middle of the street demonstration night in the big parade, along with her great niece. The Madison W. C. T. U. sent for her casket a beautiful floral offering tied with a big bow of white ribbon. One brother and nieces and nephews survive her. Though afflicted since early Spring time she was confined to her bed but three days and nights. She passed peacefully away, her frail form succumbed to Bright's disease. Her spirit had flown to her Heavenly home, where loved ones, and a loving Saviour awaited to greet her.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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LOCAL OPTION CONSTITUTIONAL.

The Supreme Court of Indiana has settled the question of the constitutionality of local option. The will of more than 68,000 majority of voters in the total registered vote, including nearly all the territory of the state and indicating unmistakably the overwhelming majority of the entire vote of the state against the liquor traffic; such an uprising of the people could not be overlooked by the Supreme Court. Greater than antiquated decisions, greater than the power of organized anarchy headed by brewers and distillers the people have proved themselves a mighty educator of public conscience and of judicial decision.

Now with the vantage ground dry communities and dry counties will be encouraged to press the issue until every saloon and every brewery and distillery is driven from the state by state-wide prohibition.

The splendid children of this great commonwealth should have as a priceless heritage in prohibition of the entire liquor traffic and riddance of the brewer, saloon keeper and distiller written in the constitution of Indiana.

New York State has appointed Jan. 6th to be observed as a Day of Prayer by all local unions, not a special program, but a meeting for Divine blessing upon the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in all its departments; upon the work for total abstinence and prohibition; for the abolition of the white slave traffic, and for the protection of the homes.

Ohio has 31,000 paid members. Their gain last year was 2,189 members.

Of Kentucky's 119 counties, 96 are "dry" under the county option law. The breweries and distilleries remain, they are not affected by county option.

Memphis, Tenn., has been the largest prohibition city in the world since July 1st.

In Oklahoma the Supreme Court has declared it to be a criminal offense to advertise intoxicating liquors.

Thirty-three States were on Benefit Night at the national convention this year.

Ohio made the greatest gain, then Pennsylvania, then New York. Montana did best of all, its gain was 400 over its entire membership of 500 last year.

Ohio has the largest membership of any state over 31,000 and New York has 29,320 members. Indiana has 7,626 members.

OMAHA CONVENTION.

The National W. C. T. U. met in Omaha, Neb., Oct. 22-27. The Indiana delegates met the White Ribbon Special at Chicago and enjoyed the company of white ribboners from the North, South and East during the remainder of the journey.

Our hostess city was in her best attire and tried in every way to show her appreciation of the work in which our organization is engaged. As we filed into the station, 250 strong, we greeted our Omaha sisters with:

"Omaha, Omaha, we love you.
Omaha, Omaha, we'll see you through
To prohibition, prohibition, prohibition!"

Flags and banners bearing the words, "Welcome W. C. T. U." fluttered in windows and from the towers and cupolas. Across Farnam street was suspended "Welcome, W. C. T. U." in electric lights. Each night this greeted the eye of the visitors and reminded residents of the presence of this white ribbon throng. The meetings were held in the great auditorium and while many delegates could not hear because of the poor acoustic properties of the building, Indiana was fortunate in securing a most excellent seat near the platform. The meetings were full of interest from the prayer meeting, the morning of the first day, to the jubilee demonstration the evening of the last day. A gain of more than 20,000 members made all jubilant.

The annual address of our National President, Mrs. L. M. U. Stevens, was characterized by all who heard or read it as the most logical statesman-like address ever delivered before an Omaha audience.

The convention was welcomed by His Excellency, Ashton C. Shallenburger, the Governor of Nebraska. He dwelt on the victory won in the last legislature when the law closing all bars at 8 p. m., was passed. Hon. James E. Dohman, mayor of Omaha, gave the next greeting.

The keynote of the convention was struck in the first meeting when the women rose and amid the waving of flags, handkerchiefs and banners, sang "We're Out for Prohibition" to the tune of "Dixie." The two cornetists who lead were young women, one, the trumpeter for the Veterans of the Confederacy the other the daughter of a Union soldier. While almost every license state reported work along the lines of local option or remonstrance, yet all agreed that nothing less than state and national prohibition will do the work. Prayers were offered that we might step over into this promised land without wandering forty years in the wilderness.

Ex-Governor Robert Glenn of North Carolina

gave the address on Sunday evening. He proved beyond a doubt that a party, standing on a prohibition platform with its candidates pledged to this policy, was a necessity in attaining it. He is a conscientious Christian man and when in the night hours he heard the voice of his Master calling him to arise and write his message urging the legislature to action and to take the platform for prohibition, he answered "I will, Lord." He went over North Carolina as a flame of fire, and friend and foe alike call him the father of prohibition in North Carolina. May God raise up such a Moses for Indiana!

He paid the highest possible tribute to the W. C. T. U. as the band that has blazed the way and made present victories possible.

Each succeeding program seemed better than the last and when the delegates parted to go to their respective fields of labor for another year Nebraska brewers and distillers were not so confident of their position as when the women came, but felt that possibly their greeting upon their arrival might be a prophecy of a coming time when for the sake of the common good they might be retired from business.

Indiana was on Jubilee night, having made a gain of more than 500. We invited the convention for 1910, but Baltimore won it because it was time to go East. We must have it in 1911.

Yours,

CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

ANARCHY FOSTERED.

The Indiana Brewers' Association construes President Taft's expressions as a license for anarchy. President Taft is quoted by the Brewers in a flaming advertisement which disgraces the daily papers in these words:

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"Nothing is more foolish; nothing more utterly at variance with sound policy than to enact a law which, by reason of conditions surrounding the community, is incapable of enforcement. Such instances are sometimes presented by sumptuary laws, by which the sale of intoxicating liquors is prohibited under penalties in localities where the public sentiment of the immediate community does not and will not sustain the enforcement of the law. In such cases the legislation usually is the result of agitation by the people in the country districts, who are determined to make their fellow citizens in the city better. The enactment of the law comes through the country representatives, who form a majority of the legislature, but the enforcement of the law is among the people who are generally opposed to its enactment, and under such circumstances the law is a dead letter. In cases where the sale of liquor can not be prohibited in fact it is far better to regulate than to stamp it out. "By the enactment of a drastic law and the failure to enforce it, there is injected into the public mind the idea that laws are to be obeyed or violated according to the will of those affected. I need not say altogether pernicious such a loose theory is. . . . The constant violation or neglect of any law leads to a demoralized view of all laws."
.....

The Brewers would have less excuse for fostering anarchy if our President had said that a sentiment which makes law possible against a lot of murderous, treacherous and lawless liquor dealers would be easy of enforcement if the people should follow up their vantage ground by electing men who had neither sop nor comfort for anarchists. But then he might have lost support from one element of voting strength, which has neither patriotism nor party loyalty.

CALL FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING JAN. 4, 1910.

The Executive Committee is called to meet in Parlor D, in the Y. M. C. A. building, Indianapolis, Ind. at 10 a. m. Jan. 4, 1910. The committee consists of the board of trustees, Secretaries of Y. & L. T. L. branches, editor of State Paper, Presidents and the President of each organized county.

Business of the greatest importance makes it necessary for a full meeting. There will be no entertainment unless by friends of the members. The meeting will continue one full day.

CULLA J. VAYHINGER,
State President.

GOLDEN RULE FOR POLICE CLEVELAND, O.

Recently Cleveland's chief of police has spoken of his plan of procedure in treating criminals in that large city.

Fred Kohler, one of the most daring, original and notable chiefs of police in the country gives the following results of the two years' experience with the golden rule in its application to law-breakers:

He has driven a swarm of lawyers and pro-

fessional bondsmen from the Police Courts, closed all the gambling rooms in the city and extinguished the red lights in the tenderloin district.

If a man accidentally kills another, he is permitted to go about his business and his name is kept out of the book of arrests. The day of branding the innocent or the unfortunate is past.

Intoxicated persons are sent home in carriages or are detained until sober and then ordered to be at their work places when the 7 o'clock whistles blow. Thus no wages are lost and women are saved from disgrace and hardships.

His scheme of repression, by which any disorderly house can be shut up, is by posting a patrolman at the door armed with a pencil and a tablet of paper.

The present policy of treating criminals is wrong, otherwise there would not be calls for more jails and larger penitentiaries.

There is more hope for the old thief who tells the truth than for the man who has stolen but once and then lied about it.

Chief Kohler began radical work on the law breakers of Cleveland as soon as installed in office. He had all the gamblers of the city asked to report at his office, they were ordered to quit their business at once. Some of them were given twenty-four hours and others a week in which to get their paraphernalia out of town and orders obeyed or it would be destroyed. Not any gambling except secret games in Cleveland since.

Proprietors of houses of ill repute were sent for, orders given that red lights must be extinguished and names taken off of windows or doors immediately. When it was deemed necessary to raid a house a policeman was ordered to stand on the sidewalk near the door with a tablet and pencil and demand the name and address of every person who entered the house. Within a few days the house thus picketed would be vacated. Threats of court proceedings did not at all intimidate him. They were less willing to go to law than he was. The number of the red-light district women has been reduced in Cleveland in two years under this administration from 2,500 to 300. The entire district is cleared out.

What Cleveland's chief of police has done every chief in Indiana could do if he would.

Concerning the saloons and the lawlessness of the liquor business, this chief says "that has to do with the policy of the city administration and is therefore not in my control."



MRS. MARY E. BALCH

Former Indiana officer died recently at the home of her son in Louisville, Ky.

There is proposed legislation for Federal control of the so-called "White-Slave Traffic" with a view to its suppression. The question of state rights has been raised, men think that each state should deal with the matter. The Mann bill aims to suppress the white-slave traffic "by prohibiting transportation of women of a certain class from one state to another." The Bennett bill provides that aliens shall be amenable to the proposed law at any time after entering the United States, where Mr. Mann provided a three-year limit.

LOCAL UNIONS.

One of the greatest blessings that could come to the average W. C. T. U. would be to have a real active calling committee, a committee of four or six earnest members who would go in "twos" to call on the members, friends, those desired for members and all elderly people and shut-ins in the town.

To tell them of the plans and purposes of the great World's and National W. C. T. U., the work done in our own state and emphasize the need of work in the town. One afternoon a week devoted to such work by discreet level-headed sweet-spirited women would accomplish much in any community.

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JANUARY, 1910.

The State Executive Committee meets in Parlor D, Y. M. C. A. building, Indianapolis, Ind., at 10 a. m., Jan. 4, 1910. Important business makes this early call for mid-year necessary. There will be no entertainment unless by friends. The meeting will last one full day.

CULLA J. VAYHINGER,
State President.

The National Minutes should be in the hands of all state and county workers. They contain much information. President Stevens' address, the National Officers' reports for the year and the reports of the National Superintendents of departments are published in the National Minutes. Late information concerning the mighty work of the W. C. T. U. of this whole country. Price 15 cents, National W. C. T. U., Evanston Ill.

The State Minutes contain a directory of the county officers, county superintendents and local union officers.

Every state superintendent can easily reach all her county superintendents and the officers of all the counties and local unions.

Local superintendents can easily get the addresses of the county and state superintendents.

Every local superintendent should read the annual report of the state superintendent of her department as published in the minutes. Some of these reports should be read at public meetings.

Every State Superintendent who has not yet—Jan. 1—heard directly from her national superintendent since the national convention in October, has good reason to know that she is not energetically pushing the national department work. Such fact should be reported to our state president. State superintendents who have ability, interest and energy will plan and work for Indiana and not wait longer than Jan. 1st to get plans from the national superintendents.

If you are interested to know how much money is received and for what expended in the national and our state W. C. T. U., read in the Annual Minutes of each organization the report of the appropriation committee. No other organization does such far-reaching work with so small amount of money.

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Information concerning the great work at large can be secured from the "Annual Leaflet" and the Union Signal. The Annual Leaflet, price five for 10 cents, address Mrs. E. P. Hutchinson National W. C. T. U., Evanston, Ill.

Information concerning the W. C. T. U. work in Indiana last year can be secured from the "State Minutes," price 15 cents. Address Miss Mary Woodard, Fountain City, Ind. The minutes contain the state president's address the state officers' reports and the reports of all the department superintendents. How can any W. C. T. U. worker afford to be without a copy. Every officer, superintendent and interested member should have a copy.

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS.

There are several that every W. C. T. U. woman should consider.

To wear a little white ribbon bow every day. Never to let the family, neighbors or friends see you without it on.

To attend every meeting of the Union. Few have many talents, but every member can count one and thus help by influence and encouragement.

To talk every day to at least one person about some phase of the W. C. T. U. work, even though that person does not seem interested and is the same one talked to the day before. Talk to some one person, preferably a boy or girl.

To secure and distribute some W. C. T. U. or temperance literature every week this year. Ten cents buys many leaflets and much valuable information.

To tithe. Every woman who tithes can give definitely and proportionately. W. C. T. U. women who tithe should plan to set aside a certain part of the tithe for W. C. T. U. work.

To keep smiling. Smiles get smiles in return.
To subscribe for the Union Signal and to read

it every week this year. In many a home there would be greater respect and admiration for the work of women and for the W. C. T. U. if items or short articles from the Union Signal were read aloud in the home occasionally. So long as a W. C. T. U. woman does not read the Union Signal she can not be informed upon the great work of the organization. One dollar a year. Will you subscribe?

To pray once a day for the overthrow of the liquor business in Indiana.

THREE TOOLS ARE NECESSARY FOR THE USE OF EVERY INDIANA W. C. T. U. WOMAN WHO IS A SUCCESSFUL WORKER AS A LOCAL OR COUNTY OFFICER OR LOCAL OR COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT. THEY ARE: FIRST, THE UNION SIGNAL, PRICE \$1; SECOND, THE STATE MINUTES, PRICE 15 CENTS; THIRD, THE NATIONAL ANNUAL LEAFLET, PRICE 2 CENTS.

OFFICIAL.

At the recent meeting of our State Board of Trustees, a proposition offered by the L. U. Snead Company, Upland, Ind., was approved and heartily indorsed, after careful consideration.

The plan as outlined offers the W. C. T. U. of the state an exceptional opportunity to place in the treasuries of the Local Unions abundant means for carrying on a still more vigorous warfare against the saloon and legalized vice.

The increased activity of the liquor forces and their lavish expenditure of vast sums of money, in the avowed determination to regain the territory lost in the last few years of temperance gains call for eternal vigilance and active work on the part of every friend of temperance.

One of the greatest needs in our work is the securing of money sufficient to meet conditions in every campaign, with call for considerable amounts to meet the legitimate expenses essential to success. Here, in the past, has been a weak spot in our midst, for often the funds have been so low as to seriously hamper our work.

If every Union in Indiana will at once undertake the plans proposed and each member will give but a little time and interest in furthering its success, many thousands of dollars can be paid into our treasuries within a few months.

The L. U. Snead Company publish a book of excellent worth on the Bible, entitled "The Bible Students' Cyclopedic," and thousands have been sold within a few years. This book is highly indorsed by hundreds of pastors, Sunday school teachers, and Bible students everywhere, and is of especial value and has been greatly blessed of God, in creating and enlarging in the home life of thousands of families a new zeal and love for God's Word, and His cause. The mere placing of this book in thousands of homes in Indiana would mean a work of great importance and benefit to the causes of righteousness and truth. But the W. C. T. U. now has the opportunity of placing these books in Indiana's homes and at the same time paying the profits on its sale into the treasuries of the Local Unions.

A special edition, containing in addition to the regular contents, several pages giving a brief history of the W. C. T. U. work in nation and state, with a fine cut of Miss Willard and another of the state officers, together with other data of interest and value, is now being published.

This edition of the "Bible Students' Cyclopedic" will be sold at the regular price of the general work \$2 per copy. One dollar from each book to be paid into the local treasury of the Union where it is sold and the other dollar to be paid the L. U. Snead Company for the book.

Full particulars can be obtained by writing to the L. U. Snead Company, Upland, Ind., and we urge upon every local president and Union the importance of at once writing them and helping to make a real success of this plan, which should mean so much to our W. C. T. U. work, in money secured for our funds and in great good accomplished.

We would seek to impress upon each member of the Indiana W. C. T. U., the magnitude of this present opportunity and again urge every Union to send, without delay, for full particulars.

There are nearly 8,000 members of the W. C. T. U. in Indiana, and if each one will, on the average, aid in the sale of but three copies of this W. C. T. U. memorial edition, over \$20,000 will be secured for our treasuries within a year. Is not this worth the interest and active support of every true white ribboner? Let us work together in this for a grand success. It can be done—and we will do it by God's help.

PLAN OF WORK FOR 1909-1910.

Membership Gain.

It is our aim to raise our active membership to 10,000 this year and to secure such number of honorary members as shall equal one-fourth the active membership. Let a campaign for membership be begun at once and continued throughout the year.

Public Meetings.

Every Union in the state should hold at least one public meeting per quarter, using local talent as well as employing public speakers.

We also urge local Unions to prepare interesting programs or medal contests to be given in unorganized neighborhoods or towns and at the meetings to distribute literature and prepare the of our organization.

Visiting Committees.

We recommend that unions appoint a visiting committee to be changed each quarter whose duty

it shall be to do house to house work, distributing literature and inviting women to become members of our organization.

Reception for Teachers.

We recommend that each local Union give a reception in honor of their teachers, if possible to secure their subscription to the Crusade Monthly.

Obscene Pictures.

We recommend local Union to co-operate with the postal authorities in suppressing obscene pictures on postal cards.

Essay Contests.

We recommend that Unions arrange at once for essay contests in their high schools to be governed by the rules given in the Plan of Work sent out by our National Superintendent of S. T. I.

Work for Prohibition.

We urge local Unions not to be satisfied with the local option victories of the past year, but to push with greater determination than ever before for state-wide prohibition. To this end to distribute literature and to use contest recitations that ring true with straight prohibition argument.

Organization.

We request each local Union to send \$1.50 to our State Treasurer to be used as an organization fund.

All poorly organized counties should begin at once to bring their organizations up to the standard of at least six unions with not fewer than ten paid members in each union with a county organization.

All counties making a gain of 50 or more will be given a place on the program on benefit night and will share pro rata in the collection.

MISS MARY E. WOODARD,
MRS. ELLA KROFT,
MISS GULIA SHUGART,
MRS. FRANCES BOYER,
MRS. G. W. AUGUSTINE.

TO LOCAL UNIONS.

Dear Sisters:

The first quarter of our W. C. T. U. year is almost gone and we are hoping that the dues sent to our state treasurer, Dec. 15th will show an encouraging increase in membership over this quarter of last year. We must have 10,000 members in Indiana by Sept. 15th, 1910. We can have them if every Union will work to that end. Appoint a visiting committee each month or each quarter, whose duty it shall be to make calls and distribute literature and invite women to become members. There may be women in your town just waiting for an invitation to belong. Do not let them wait another month. With so many victories to encourage us and so much need for our work to spur us on we should make this the greatest year of our history. Let us show our faith by our works.

With this I send a copy of our state "Plan of Work," which should be read and discussed by every Union. Try to carry out as many of its suggestions as possible.

I hope you are finding the "Model Program" helpful in making your meetings interesting. Last year I received so many inquiries about the literature called for in the program that this year I have made a collection of the leaflets necessary in carrying out the program. Unions sending me 15 cents to cover cost and postage will receive a package of these leaflets. The program this year calls for much original work, so the subjects should be assigned weeks before they are to be given.

With many wishes for a happy and prosperous year for every white ribboner in the state, I am yours in W. C. T. U. comradeship,

MARY E. WOODARD,
State Corresponding Secretary,
Fountain City.

FLOWER MISSION.

The first quarter of our year's work is almost ended, and it has found many loving hearts and willing hands constantly busy in the Master's vineyard ministering to the wants of the needy and heeding the cries of the unfortunate and those in distress. "In so much as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." The Flower Mission means so much. The field is so broad and far-reaching that it has a place for every white ribboner to fill and there is no one so busy but that she can give some time to this department. We can all speak some word of cheer to a troubled heart, lend a helping hand to those in need, give a flower with a text card, read to sick and "shut-ins," pray for a weak and wayward one. Yes, there are opportunities for all to do something in this most beautiful department. Our women did a noble work last year and made good reports, but the total for the year will be much greater if all report all the work they do to our local superintendents. Indiana made an increase last year of 350 per cent and I trust our increase will be more this year and while we are ministering to others, let us not forget that the flowers have their message for white ribboners as well as for those among whom we work. If we love and appreciate the beautiful in nature ourselves, we will be better able to help this mission.

If there are any superintendents who have not the "Plan of Work," notify me and I will send you a copy of the plan by return mail. Any person who desires can get text cards at 12 cents per hundred and other supplies by sending our national superintendent, Miss Lella M. Sewall, 330 Massachusetts avenue, Boston, Mass.

We should use more text cards, distribute more

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literature and more bouquets. We should urge cultivation of vacant lots and the observance of Arbor Day. Let us advance along this line. Do more work and better work this year than ever before.

Lovingly yours,
MRS. VIOLA R. HARVEY,
Mooresville, Ind.

MEDAL CONTEST—WORKERS, ATTENTION.

You will notice by the Union Signal that the Willard Memorial Meeting, Feb. 17th is to be a supplement in the form of a medal contest. The program will be sent out by the national superintendent of this department and will consist of extracts and songs from Miss Willard's own writings and a sketch of her life. The proceeds of all such contests are to be sent to the national treasurer for the Frances Willard Memorial fund, to be used for organization. Begin now to plan your contest for this meeting.

Remember the state pennant will be given to the county holding the greatest number of high grade made contests during the year. Push these contests, and thus allow our young people to complete the prescribed course and renew their diplomas.

Faithfully yours,
JULIA OVERMAN, Superintendent,
Marion, Ind.

The American Purity Federation met in congress at Burlington Iowa, Oct. 18-22, 1909. Delegates from all parts of the United States and Canada. Rev. B. S. Steadwell, the president, presided. Great interest was shown and education was the keynote. There has been too long a mistaken idea of modesty, which has kept parents from teaching their children for intelligent parenthood.

Hon. J. L. Hamery told how he and his helpers of the Public Safety Department of Des Moines, Iowa, cleared out the red-light district there. Mr. James H. Patten of Boston, Mass., secretary of the Immigration Restriction League spoke of the white-slave traffic among the immigrants. Mrs. M. A. McKenzie spoke of it in her "Welfare Work" at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition at Seattle. Miss Lucy A. Hall, a deaconess in rescue work in Chicago and Mrs. Sarah F. Bond, police matron of Oklahoma City, dealt with it from their points of view. "Our Duty in Law Enforcement," by Arthur Burrage Farwell of the Law and Order League of Chicago, was one among the strong addresses.

In a symposium, "The Right of the Child to a Knowledge of Sex" Miss Jessie Phelps, instructor in physiology at Ypsilanti Normal School, Mich., spoke from the standpoint of teacher; Miss Florence Ethel Smith, a young evangelist, spoke from the religious view, and Dr. Joseph E. Young, instructor in children's diseases of Rush Medical College, Chicago, gave us the physician's point of view, and Mrs. Della Thompson Lutes, editor of "American Motherhood," gave a summary of all.

The school teachers of Burlington were dismissed from their rooms early in order to hear Dr. Winfield Scott Hall professor of physiology of Northwestern Medical College, Chicago, who addressed them especially. Bishop Spellmeyer of the M. E. Church, St. Louis gave an address full of love for the erring. H. J. Conway, president of the Retail Clerks' International Protective Association, spoke of "Women Clerks," their low wages and temptations.

"Personal Experiences in Personal Work With Young Men," by Mr. L. W. Clark of Leavittsburg, Ontario, gave a glimpse of how he gets at a boy's heart. Our own Dr. J. N. Hurty, secretary of Indiana State Board of Health was on the program, but was unavoidably detained in Virginia.

Plans were laid for legislative work in Congress and every state legislature. Rev. Albert J. Godley of Indianapolis is to have charge of this in Indiana.

Full reports, papers, etc., will be given in "The Light," official organ of the Federation, edited by the president, Rev. B. S. Steadwell of La Crosse, Wis.

The Federation, as its name implies, is made up of other organizations interested in the vast subject of purity. State and local W. C. T. Unions, churches, the Woman's Prohibition Club of America, etc., besides other purity societies.

EMMA G. HOLLOWAY, M. D.,
North Manchester, Ind.

HARTFORD CITY.

Dear sisters of this holy warfare:

I suppose you have been hearing dreadful things about Blackford County, and perhaps "the half has not been told" of drunkenness, murder and suicide, women held up on the streets, for we are known far and near as being very "wet." But some still have their heads above the waves and are doing what they can to agitate and educate. On Thanksgiving evening Mrs. Ritter, our superintendent of contest work, held a contest with a full house. splendid music and several department's illustrated. Five mothers came upon the platform with their babies in their arms and Mrs. Stahl, after a few words of explanation with regard to the department, tied the white ribbon on the right hand of each one of the dear little babies, with the prayer that both the boys and girls might someday cast a white ballot. All pronounced the meeting a success. Collection over \$10.

The program for our first December meeting was carried out in full. The president read the "State Plan of Work," and an interesting discussion followed.

On the evening of Dec. 7th, we had with us

Mrs. Katie Waller, the national delegate to Omaha, who gave a splendid report of the national convention at Omaha. Music by the U. B. choir. Mrs. Sample and Mrs. Ritter sang "Tell Mother I'll Vote Dry," which was well received.

MRS. S. M. STAHL.

MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

Dear Comrades:

I have just received the annual report and in looking over the directory I find that out of the forty-six counties represented thirty-five have superintendents of mothers' meetings. I am sorry that De Kalb, Gibson, Henry, Johnson, Marion, Knox, Lake Spencer, Union, Vanderburg and Wells have no superintendents for this very important department though most all have a superintendent of jail and prison work, which, without a doubt, is quite necessary. "These things ye ought to have done and not left the other undone," since formation is better than reformation, is it not of vital importance that we look well to the home influence, to the proper education of mothers in the higher responsibility of motherhood. I will send quite soon to all superintendents whose names are in the directory, my plan of work, with blanks and literature to furnish suggestions for many mothers' meetings. Counties that have no superintendent please appoint and send me the address. I will be glad to help you in any way I can. Yours for the betterment of humanity.

S. M. STAHL.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Dear Superintendents:

A happy new year to each one of you—and may you have abundant success in your work.

We look back with pleasure over the victories we have had during the past. That we may not lose one inch of the ground gained we must begin the work for 1910 on the very first day of the year and keep at it to the end with a determination that will assure victory.

Let me exhort the local superintendent to write often to her county and state superintendent; keep always in touch with them so you may know how things are going.

We note with gratification that the government has ruled that Sunday be observed as a day of rest in the Navy, the officers' inspection and all other duties, where possible, are to be left till another day.

We continue to urge that you have Sabbath laws printed in your daily papers. Laws are great educators.

St. Joseph County has started the work by ordering 5500 pages of Sabbath literature and 400 pledge cards, which looks as though they meant to keep the pennant for another year. It will be necessary for other counties to get busy.

The close of this year is at hand, holiday resolutions have been made, and now that we are ready for the activities of 1910, let us not wrong the resolves and anticipations, forget the Lord's Day, the heritage of God to busy mankind.

Cordially yours,

KATHRY WERT HOLLER
State Superintendent.

South Bend.

W. C. T. U. NORMAL INSTITUTE.

Dear Sisters:

Another year has rolled round, and again we are drawing near to the institute season.

It seems to me as I review the history of the temperance cause for the past two years, that the time has never been when we have needed the instruction and inspiration which the institute brings as we do now. Counties and states throughout this great nation are girding themselves for a terrific battle against King Alcohol, and from the lands across the sea comes the news of great activity along the same lines. The white ribbons better the globe—one result of which is that the fight against alcohol is today world-wide. Indiana, for the next few months, will have the eyes of the entire nation turned upon her. In the past two years she has fought valiantly and has achieved great victories, but she is now facing the fiercest battle of all. The liquor interests are organizing their forces, the brewers are promising to be "good" and the comparative calm of things generally should cause us to be more watchful and earnest than ever. We have pledged ourselves to work for state-wide prohibition for 1912, and in our beloved state president we have an earnest, efficient and valiant leader, but if she is to lead to victory, she must have intelligent help and co-operation of all her constituents.

It is our plan for this year's institute to take up for study the subjects which belong to Indiana and Indiana's temperance work at the present time. Our aim will be to get the entire membership enlightened and instructed as to our plan of action in the coming campaign. We want to help every county; we want to interest those who are not interested; we want to fire with a fresh enthusiasm those who are with us. The plan of work will reach you in a few days.

The schedule and program will appear in the February Message. Watch for it! Up to this time of writing I have only heard from a few counties. Please let me hear from you at once, that the schedule may be correctly made. Let us cover the entire state with our institute work this year, let us work for a large increase in our membership; many names for the petition for

state-wide prohibition; let us reach out for the young women and the young men and enlist them in this work for it means much to them and to us. Pray—plan—work—and may the blessings of the Father rest upon each.

Wishing you all a very happy new year. I am,
Lovingly yours to serve,
ROSE PEARCE,
State Superintendent of Institute.
Darlington, Ind., Dec. 13, 1909.

SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

Dear Co-workers:

First thing I wish to call your attention to my change of address. Last spring I said through the Message that my address would until further notice be Niles, Mich., R. R. No. 2. So far I have given no general notice of a change, but much of my mail has been going to North Liberty. Hence reaching me often too late to fill orders of literature in time for the meeting for which they were wanted. For this I am very sorry.

I am glad to know and say that the work is starting out very nicely. I am especially pleased to hear of so many plans for receptions for teachers and prize essay contests.

St. Joseph County had on the program of the Teachers' Association, in November a fine temperance address by Prof. Robert E. Geyer of the North Liberty School. I hope there will be many such.

Before this Message reaches you you will have received the plan of work, sample leaflets and other tools of the department. I wish to call particular attention to the teachers' total abstinence pledge cards. Our national superintendent wishes many thousand of these to take to the "World's W. C. T. U. Convention" next summer. They may be secured from her for the postage, have them signed and sent to me early, as the convention is in mid-summer. Her address is Mrs. Edith Smith Davis, 561 Thirty-third street, Milwaukee, Wis. I expect to send blanks in March and September and hope in this way to get a good and full report of work done. The points on which the pennant will be awarded are about the same as last year.

As this will reach you about New Year's Day I take this opportunity of wishing you all a happy and prosperous new year, both for yourselves and the work.

Yours for S. T. I.,

MRS. ETHEL E. BAIR,
State Superintendent.

South Bend, Ind., General Delivery.

PRIZE ESSAYS.

In every school there should be special arrangements made for prize essays on some subject pertaining to temperance. Essay writing is required of all school children at some time. Why not suggest some of the scientific temperance subjects and offer prizes.

Now is the time to make arrangements for this very important work.

Unions that are wise will urge the prize essay plan.

Offer prizes to the pupils of the grade schools, high schools and such other high grade school or college as may be in the vicinity. Fifty dollars or even twenty-five dollars a year spent in prizes for essays will bring great results in five years in any community.

That there will be legislation concerning the white-slave traffic is conceded by those in position to know.

The Indianapolis Harriet Brand Union met at the home of Mrs. George Stewart at 1039 West Thirty-third street. Although the weather was inclement every member but one of the Union was present. Mrs. Artman, county president, was with us and gave a very inspiring address along the lines of work we hope to push for the next year, giving many helpful suggestions. She also spoke of some of the prominent features of the great state convention held recently in Muncie. The president presented the Union with 300 Willard text cards, to be used in our work. We feel very grateful to Mrs. Stewart for her hospitality to us as she is not a W. C. T. U. woman. We expect to follow the suggestions of our beloved county president and in the spirit of the blessed Christ, do the things He has left us to do for those less fortunate than ourselves.

Everton W. C. T. U. of Fayette County re-elected their former officers and the work is moving on. A very pleasant and profitable meeting was held at Valley Mound Farm, the home of Mrs. Annie Tusler Brumfield. In the absence of the president Mrs. Alma Lake vice president, presided. There was an instructive and interesting program in charge of the hostess. Mrs. Ola White read a good paper on "Our Influence With Our Children," Miss Eva Piper gave an entertaining temperance reading. After interesting remarks by Mrs. Sadie Neff, Mrs. Veatch gave an instructive talk on the work of the W. C. T. U. Light refreshments were served and a social hour enjoyed.

EVANGELISTIC.

Dear sisters:

The old year is drawing to a close and the new one with all of its duties, obligations and opportunities for service, will have been ushered in ere this comes before the dear white ribbon women of the state. May we by the loving Savior's aid, make much of the first few weeks of the new year. It is well to make new resolutions, fix new standards and above all try to

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reach our high ideals. In order to do this we need to be students of God's work earnest pupils in the school of prayer, always ready to sit at the dear Master's feet and learn of Him the true lessons of gentleness, meekness, humility and love. May we strive in every way to strengthen the spiritual life of the W. C. T. U. membership the coming year, and by being helped ourselves may we be made channels of blessings to others, and indeed become real soul winners "saved for service" should be our motto.

I hope that no local president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will think that her union is in good working order until a good earnest evangelist superintendent has been appointed. Then endeavor to make each meeting of an evangelist nature. Prayer is the key to the successful prosecution of your work. Try to remember the noontide prayer and thereby hasten the glad day of state-wide prohibition. During the coming year I want to keep in close touch with each county and local superintendent in the state of evangelistic work please send names to me and I will gladly aid you in any way. I need your help and I trust I may be a help to you.

Sincerely yours for better work for the Master and state and national prohibition,

MRS. ELLA KROFT,
State Evangelist,
Bloomington, Ind.

MEDICAL TEMPERANCE.

By the time you receive this paper I hope to be sending you the plan of work for this year. I have been waiting on the minutes. I will send programs this year on the subject of "Alcohol and the Heart," which I hope every one of you will use. I will send them to your county superintendent and she will see that every union in her county gets one. If you should not receive one remember there is some mistake and write to me. Let us do all we can in our department this year. A great deal is depending on us. We must educate the people and this can wisely be done through the Christian physicians of our land. Let each union in the state of Indiana have a good rousing medical temperance meeting this year. Advertise it well. Have all Marcellus, N. Y., for her five-cent physicians package and see that a package gets into the hands of every physician. Then don't forget to report just how many you have given out, next fall when you report to me.

Yours for service,
MRS. G. E. DENNY,
601 N. Jefferson street, Madison, Ind.

Field News

The Indianapolis Humane Society has sent out the following plea on post cards by the thousands:

A Plea from the Horse to the Lady of the House.

Please order all your supplies for the day early in the morning and save my tired legs another trip, for it is the hard and fast driving that kills me. I know you have not thought of this before, or you, kind lady, would be more considerate of me.

THE DELIVERY HORSE.

By its friend, The Indianapolis Humane Society.

The Kokomo Mayor-elect, Dr. J. L. Puckett, is being urged by the club women of his city to appoint a woman as a member of the Board of Works. Mrs. Florence McElwaine, a woman of executive ability and well informed upon civic conditions, was selected as the candidate by the Suffrage Club. Mrs. V. S. Patterson, a member of the club and who is a delegate to the Rivers and Harbors Congress in Washington, is actively interested in the appointment of the women's candidate.

Fountain City—A Sunday school rally was held in Fountain City on World's Temperance Sunday, Nov. 28, under the auspices of the S. S. Department of the W. C. T. U. of which Mrs. Emma Hunt is the efficient superintendent. Six Sunday schools were represented on the program, which consisted of songs, recitations, etc.

The closing exercise was a dialogue entitled "Wayne County and Her Neighbors." Wayne County came in wearing a black college gown and carrying an umbrella and soliloquized about conditions since she voted "wet." Then each of the six adjoining counties dressed in white entered in turn, spoke of the better conditions since they drove out saloons, but showed that the corrupting influence of Wayne's saloons make it impossible for them to shield their people entirely from the curse of drink. Then entered two drummers who showed that wherever the saloons have been voted out other lines of business have increased. Then a professor, representing the public school showed how saloons affected school attendance and that where saloons have been closed children who were kept out of school to help make a living, now have a chance to go to school.

After all had spoken, Wayne acknowledged her mistake, threw off her black robe and closed with these words: "I see, neighbors, that if we had all voted together, your dry majorities would have more than counteracted my 'wet' votes and this disgrace would not now be upon me. I am, hereafter for state-wide prohibition, which will make the map all white.

Then all joined in singing a song with the chorus:
Hurrah! hurrah! we hail the time to be;

Hurrah! hurrah! Wayne County shall be free,
Then we'll drive the rum curse out from lakes to gulf and sea,

Under the star-spangled banner.

Guilford Union has held three regular meetings and one public meeting with a gain of four new members. With dues paid this quarter (December) making a paid up membership of twenty-four active and three honorary members. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Ivy Winkley, Jan. 12. We intend making the public meetings a special feature of this year's work.

Indianapolis Vayhinger Union is very much alive this month. At our November meeting Mrs. Cravens presented the name of Mrs. Jessie Smith for membership, and the white ribbon was tied upon the wrist of little Harold Sloane (making nine on our cradle roll). Our public meeting at East Tenth Street M. E. Church, with Mrs. Artman our county president, giving the address and a literary and musical program was a success not in numbers attending but in interest and the work done. Mrs. Baker recited well. The music was furnished by Miss Lillian Bill, Mrs. Van Arsdale, Mr. Hadley and Miss Muriel and Master Alvin Dettrich. S. J. Wilson, one of the first prohibitionists of Indianapolis and a lady giving their names for membership.

Esther Union of Marion County observed World's Temperance Sunday by having our state president, Mrs. Vayhinger, for the entire day, giving us two excellent addresses at Bethel M. E. Church, which were well received and we think much and lasting good accomplished. The charts showing the effect of alcohol on the system were especially helpful to the young people. The pastor of our neighboring church dismissed his congregation in the evening and a large number of the people attended, which the women appreciated very much. The address in the evening was the most practical, convincing, inspiring temperance address we had been privileged to enjoy, the house was filled to its utmost capacity. Mrs. Vayhunger endeared herself to these people and we are wondering when we can have her again. Mrs. Bertha Lemon, our president, presided over the meeting in a very pleasing manner. We are hoping that Esther Union may have a small part at least in putting down this terrible curse, the liquor traffic.

Laporte Union has had 200 scriptural bookmarks printed on satin ribbon of different colors, yellow, purple, green, pink and blue they are very pretty and sell readily at 10 cents apiece. They are also piecing a quilt with sixteen names on each block which bring 10 cents a name, this will be given to the student who writes the best essay on Temperance.

Jefferson County had such an arousing as never before. Mrs. Sibbetts of Kansas, together with our beloved and untiring county president, Mrs. Augustine made a tour over the county, Nov. 23 to Nov. 29, inclusive, speaking twice at Madison, once each at Canaan, Pleasant Ridge, Kent, Deputy and Brooksbury. The county has been thoroughly aroused, especially in the rural districts where the man-fearing spirit does not predominate.

Madison Union held its annual crusade-day meeting Dec. 14. A full program was arranged by Mrs. Frank Vanter which was very much enjoyed. Mrs. Rosa Jamison, the newly elected president, presided. Mrs. Denney and Mrs. Augustine gave instructive and interesting talks.

The pulpits of many of the churches at Madison were filled on Sunday, Dec. 12, by officers and representatives of the Anti-Saloon League, and a mass meeting was held at the Court House at 2:30 Sunday afternoon. Morning services were held at the First Presbyterian Church by Rev. Trinity M. E. Church, Hon. R.

E. S. Shumaker; Trinity M. E. Church Hon. R. C. Winton; Grace M. E. Church, Rev. E. A. Miles; Hanover Presbyterian Church, E. M. Barney; Madison U. P. Church, Rev. R. J. Moore. Evening services at the First Baptist Church, Hon. R. C. Winton; N. Madison M. E. Church, Rev. E. S. Shumaker; West Madison M. E. Church, Rev. R. J. Moore; First Christian Church E. M. Barney. The speakers advocated both state-wide and national prohibition.

Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer, national evangelist will spend a few weeks at her home in Franklin, Ind., at the beginning of the new year. Unions or temperance workers can secure her for dates during that time. She has had four years' experience in the Nebraska temperance fight. Her address will be Franklin, Ind.

South Bend—The monthly meeting of the Pleasant View W. C. T. U. was held at the home of Mrs. C. M. McDonald, 801 Diamond avenue the ladies are behind a movement with warm hearts for God, home and native land, forgetting the zero weather, they were out with smiles in quite a number to answer to roll call. After the regular routine of business Mrs. J. C. Otice took charge of the program. She gave two papers, one on the "Hadly School," and one on "Arbitration" of which was quite interesting. After reading the report from the convention on the Hadley School she decided it was self-supporting and the request and pledge card was laid on the table for future consideration. Miss Beth Gee gave two very good readings, then we listened to the report from our pasty sale committee of which was very pleasing, a net profit of \$10 was reported. During the social hour which is always enjoyed, refreshments were served by the hostess and assistants, Mrs. McCabe and Mrs. Willard. The next meeting of the Union will be held Jan.

12, at the home of Mrs. John Ray, 1328 Michigan avenue.

MRS. JACOB MILLER.

The Tippecanoe County W. C. T. U. held their annual convention at the home of Mrs. C. C. Robinson on Perrin avenue. The reports of the various superintendents were read and show much work accomplished in all lines. The treasurer's report was very gratifying and showed after all expenses were paid a fine balance on hand. The election of officers followed. Those elected were: Mrs. Henry Bridge, president; Miss Eliza Baker, vice president; Mrs. O. M. Meacham, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Marquis, recording secretary; Mrs. Jennie Conn treasurer; Miss Naomi Jester, L. T. L. secretary. Miss Jessie Mennen delighted those present with a temperance reading and Mrs. Green and Mrs. Seney sang a duet, which was very much appreciated. The workers were very much pleased with the year's work and hope to accomplish much more the coming year. A fine dinner was served at the close of the afternoon session.

Esther Union, Marion County, met at the home of Mrs. Christina Hollingsworth. The devotions were led by Mrs. Elvina Guion, after the business we had the pleasure of listening to the report from the state convention, which was very interesting and inspiring and made some of us wish that we had been there. The delegates were our president, Mrs. Bertha Lemon Mrs. May Shaw and Mrs. Eliza Ballard, all coming home filled with inspiration and a determination to do more in the future than in the past. At the close of the meeting Mrs. Lemon made a very touching appeal to us to pray more for the work and press the battle as never before.

Marshall County convention was held in the Argas M. E. Church and was a success in every particular. There are six unions in the county, each was well represented, all seemed interested and much enthusiasm for the work of the coming year was manifested. The county banner, awarded to the Union having done the best work, was won by Culcer. Mrs. M. E. Smith, president. The prize of a yearly subscription to the Union Signal to the county superintendent making the best report of work done was awarded to two superintendents, there being a tie, Mrs. Princess Hahn, superintendent Medical Temperance and Mrs. A. R. Shedd, superintendent evangelistic work.

Our Promoted Comrades

"They never quite leave us, our friends who have passed
Through the gateway of death to the sunlight above,
For a thousand sweet memories are holding them fast
To places they blessed by their presence and love."

INDIANAPOLIS CENTRAL union mourns deeply the death of their beloved president, Mrs. J. M. Scheaver. She died of pneumonia after an illness of five days.

Mrs. Scheaver was admired, respected and loved by a host of friends. She was a beautiful woman, winsome and wise. With the courage of her convictions, she had a sunny disposition and a sweet Christ-like character. She was a happy, loving wife and mother. A consistent christian, loyal to her church and devoted to the W. C. T. U., to which she gave of the best of her ability. A definite portion of the title was set aside for and given to the W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Scheaver was a woman of great faith and much prayer. An unfaltering leader has fallen, the more than one hundred members of Central union are grief stricken, for they loved her as few women are loved.

She has left a bereaved husband, son and cherished young daughter, who was her mother's constant companion. Her death means so much to the W. C. T. U. forces in the rum ruled, saloon cursed Indianapolis, to lose such a discreet courageous leader.

In the death of Mr. Bascom S. McClain, of Danville, the W. C. T. U. has lost an earnest devoted friend. Mr. McClain was one of the best known men in Hendricks county. His wife, Mrs. Rhoda McClain, has for years been president of the Avon union, in her plans and work she was ably supported by her husband.

FAIRMOUNT Union mourns the loss of Martha Viola Dickey. She was 69 years of age. She was one of the early temperance workers, always true to Christ and liberal in all good work for the uplifting of humanity.

We extend our sympathy to the bereaved husband. May God support him in his declining years. On behalf the Fairmount W. C. T. U.

ELMINA C. LISE, Chm. of Com.,
MAY K. WOOD, Cor. Sec.

Our beloved sister, Elizabeth Coleman Kutach, died November 24th, 1909. She was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Coleman of Bedford. She was vice-president of the Terre Haute union, and an earnest, zealous temperance worker, always wearing the White Ribbon which seemed to be an expression of the inner life as well as the outward living. A beautiful christian life has unfolded into maturity in God's great garden beyond. A husband, dear little baby and father and mother are left to look forward to that blest meeting when all shall be gathered home.

Mrs. Mary E. Balch passed away on December 8th at the home of her son, Percy Balch, in Louisville, Ky., after a long illness.

Mrs. Balch became identified with the W. C. T. U. and Prohibition work in Indiana, here she served as local president, Clinton county president and state organizer, with such ability and fidelity that she was called to the service of the National W. C. T. U. as lecturer and organizer. In this capacity she did valiant pioneer work for the W. C. T. U.

For many years she conducted a campaign over Indiana for Prohibition sentiment by means of the "Contest Department." In those days no other state had such an indefatigable and successful "Contest Supt." as did Indiana. The educational campaign that she waged among the young people throughout the state by means of this oratorical work was not equaled in any other state. In 1896 Mrs. Balch was chosen by the Indiana W. C. T. U. to succeed Miss Lodie E. Reed as State Cor. Sec. this however she refused to accept until assured that she could still carry on the "Contest work." For five years she was a wise, untiring faithful corresponding secretary of the Indiana W. C. T. U. Her broad plans were original and practical, her work faithfully, promptly and conscientiously done. When her family moved to Kentucky it was a severe blow to the Indiana W. C. T. U., our loss was Kentucky's gain. Soon that state W. C. T. U. elected her corresponding secretary and she served them until recently.

Indiana women felt that Mrs. Balch should have been made National superintendant of contest department. For years she was the associate superintendent of the department of the National W. C. T. U. Mrs. Balch was a woman of executive ability, great energy and strong convictions. She was a woman of rare refinement and deep spiritual culture, with a keen, clear perception. She was gracious, considerate and always kind and just. She was a writer of ability. With intensity she hated the liquor traffic and with fine logic and terse expression she unhesitatingly and unceasingly endeavored to arouse the people to action against its influence and power.

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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THE MEETING OF THE STATES.

(To be given by nine young ladies, each carrying a wand surmounted by a gilt star and decorated with a white-ribbon bow.)

For fifty years Maine has led the way,
My star still shines with steady ray
As days go by.
A saloonless state brings prosperous days,
In health and wealth we prove it pays,
As years go by.

Twenty-five years has our star shone bright,
My Kansas works for the nation's right,
A stainless flag to raise.
Our prisons are rented in Kansas, too,
We have happier homes; more fathers true;
For this our God we praise.

Seven years North Dakota's star's shone out
With clearest light; let a happy shout
Resound from sea to sea.
From King Alcohol, our bitterest foe,
Who brought us only crime and woe,
My state is surely free.

My Georgia of the Southland fair
Lifts up her star the news to bear,
That all saloons must go.
Parents and children bless the day
That prohibition came to stay,
Rich blessings to bestow.

Oklahoma, too, is gloriously battling for the right!
And we shout the triumphant song,
Our land is truly great!
My state's star from its birth shines clear and strong
To aid in blotting out the wrong.
God bless our temperance state.

Mississippi, my Mississippi,
Her beauteous star is bright;
Prohibition is our watchword
And its glorious rays of light
Shine o'er our state.
In nineteen hundred ten saloons must go
And to the whole wide world we'll show
We're up to date.

North Carolina's star is seen on high;
My splendid state joins the glad cry,
"The South is going dry;"
Old Booze must leave our state.
Our prayers and votes were not in vain,
We stand in line with good old Maine.
Kna-e Alcohol we hate.

And now comes loyal Tennessee,
To join the starry galaxy
Of Prohibition States.
Brave Carmack's martyr blood the seed
Of high resolves, that quickly rose to meet the need
For valiant hands to quench the lawless greed,
Of cruel Whisky Potentates.
(In unison, all stepping forward,)
New York! are you coming—are you coming—are you coming
To be a temperance state?
Things must really get to humming, get to humming, get to humming,
And you had better fix a date!

(New York—girl carries a large American flag.)
We have heard your words of rejoicing,
We are glad that you are glad,
But you need not think that the demon drink
Will always make us sad!
There are noble men who love us;
And women wise and true,
Who have taken a stand, for their native land,
And this flag, red, white and blue.

But best of all if you knew it,
Is the march of the legion band,
Oh! the liquor fiend will rue it,
When we grow up and stand
For the cause of prohibition,
Where'er a home is found,
And the last saloon is banished
From New York's sacred ground.

A large number of boys and girls, carrying small American flags come on the platform and stand back of New York, and they all sing the first, fifth and sixth verses and chorus of the new state song, "Marching to Victory." Each time the words "New York" are sung the children wave their flags in unison.

[The above was published in WOMAN'S TEMPERANCE WORK—New York State paper. It could be used effectively by substituting the word Indiana for New York—and having the boys and girls sing an appropriate song. "Marching to Victory" to the tune of "Marching Through Georgia" is the New York state song, price 25c per hundred. Send to Mrs. G. M. Gardener, Oswego, N. Y. It might be possible that it could be adapted for use in Indiana. Editor.]

DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE COURTS, INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION AND ANTI-CHILD LABOR

(Minnie U. Rutherford, National Superintendent, Magazine, Ark.)

There are 100,000 children arrested and brought into the courts of the United States every year. There are 10,000 children in one city for whom there are no arrangements made in the public school's, no desks, no room; there are thousands of children, even in our smaller towns, who have no place to play except on the streets, under conditions which would be ruinous to people of more mature years; there are more than two millions of children under 16 years of age, toiling at gainful occupations, bearing the burdens of adult life and being robbed not only of their "play time," but of their opportunities of development as well.

Of these 100,000 children arrested each year, many go into the common pail, a place of idleness and a school for crime, because we have not provided detention schools for such unfortunates; and every year our girls and boys are going out into life poorly equipped for the obligations of citizenship, because our schools are largely theoretical only.

Therefore, we of the W. C. T. U. pledge ourselves to the establishment and maintenance of detention schools, wherever possible and needed; to assist in the establishment of juvenile courts, the securing of laws providing for them; the improvement of existing laws concerning them; the establishment of playgrounds; clubs, both for boys and girls; to act as probation officers wherever needed; to work continually for the betterment of our public school system, by the addition of manual training throughout; industrial training, trades school, day and evening; to assist in abolishing "street trades" for children, since "no boy is more surely headed for the juvenile court than the news boy or the "messenger;" to assist in putting our "reform schools" upon a better plane, wherever possible introducing the cottage plan and the "honor" cottage system; to help in calling attention to jail, factory, mine, sweat shop and other conditions so detrimental to our future citizenship.

We can insist everywhere upon compulsory education, birth registration (without which it is difficult to enforce child labor laws) and marriage licence laws; we can help to abolish the thing that tends surely toward the disintegration of the home, the frequency of divorce and the desertion of families by fathers, the legalized saloon; we can co-operate with such organizations as the national society for the promotion of industrial education, by the establishment in our own communities, of committees for the study of local industrial needs.

We can co-operate with the National Consumers' League in the suppression of child labor by looking for their label on the garments which we buy, thus encouraging dealers to use these goods, made under better conditions and at a living wage, for the good of all concerned, being reasonably certain that the goods do not carry infection from some dark, germ-laden tenement sweat shop.

We can help the National Child Labor Committee pass the bill introduced in the house by Representative Parsons of New York, providing for a children's bureau in the department of the Interior, such as exists in France, England and Germany.

We can assist the Consumers' League in getting a uniform minimum age of fourteen years for beginning work in all the States.

We can see that we have state, district, county and local superintendents of this department, and give it a prominent place on our programs.

We can engage prominent speakers of experience to help us agitate and educate, for there is no department in the W. C. T. U. which surpasses in importance to the future citizenship of our great country the department of Juvenile Courts, Industrial Education and Anti-Child Labor.

A banner will be awarded to the state appointing the greatest number of local superintendents within the next year, which banner Ohio won last year.

W. C. T. U. NORMAL INSTITUTE.

Plan of Work for 1910.

Dear Co-Workers:

The following plan has been made, after prayerful consideration and careful thought, and has grown out of a deep desire to add to the interest of and bring to pass larger results through our Institute in Indiana.

The plan, however, let it be as good as it may, will not work itself and if we are to have success in our work for 1910, your superintendent must have the help and co-operation of the county presidents and the entire membership. To this end please read carefully the following:

1. An institute in every organized county of our state to consist of two night meetings and one full day of institute work.

2. Each Institute to commence with public meeting at night (medal contest if practicable), followed by one full day of Institute, closing with a public meeting at night.

3. It is recommended that the contest be held on the opening night, thus giving an opportunity to advertise the Institute to be held the following day.

4. Should the county officers desire to hold a semi-annual county convention, an open parliament for department work or a co-executive meeting, let this be held on the afternoon preceeding the first night's meeting.

5. The financial plan will be the same as that followed in the past, i. e.: each county shall pay to the Institute Fund the sum of ten (\$10) dollars. This shall be paid to the leader who acts as custodian of the Institute Fund.

6. The Institute Fee of ten (\$10) dollars to be raised by door receipts at contest and free-will offering at the second night's meeting, and deficit being met from the County Treasury.

7. The county holding Institute Friday night, Saturday and Saturday night will have the privilege of using the leader on the Sabbath following, permitting her to take the offering only, instead of the three (\$3) dollars for one service or five (\$5) for two as in past years.

8. Should it be deemed best for the work that the leader shall speak at another point in the coun-

ty on the first night, instead of being present at the contest, she may be thus used, providing she can reach the Institute in time for the first meeting on the following day.

9. The plan of sending out special invitations to teachers, ministers and their wives, doctors and their wives, and others whom you desire to interest, having proved of great value in the past, it is recommended that it be followed this year, and that where practicable a lunch be served at the church and an invitation be extended these to be guests at home.

10. Do your best to have good music during the entire Institute. Interest the young people and endeavor to have some good solos. Also have two or three good recitations.

11. Advertise the meetings throughout the county. Send programs to all the churches, asking the pastors to announce the Institute. Send programs to private individuals; to women's clubs, extending an invitation. Your state superintendent will gladly furnish you with as many programs as you need, without charge.

12. As well as holding an Institute in every organized county, it is the desire of the superintendent to enter unorganized counties, thus encouraging the workers and building up the work in every possible way.

Only by the co-operation of the strong counties with the weaker, will it be possible to do this. Let us work together and do our best to help those weak unions who are "holding the fort" against great odds.

Dear women, I know from past experience that I can depend on you to help carry forward this work. Let me hear from you and if I can in any way help you I shall be so glad to do so.

The leaders, as scheduled, come to you with hearts full of love for the work and the workers, and a deep desire to help you in your efforts to bring nearer "the coming of His Kingdom whose service is perfect freedom."

Let me close with a quotation from Rom. XVI, verses 1 and 2 and in the words of Paul say: "I commend unto you, our sisters, that ye receive them in the Lord, as becometh saints, and that ye assist them in whatsoever business they have need of you." May the Father's richest blessing rest on your efforts and crown them with success.

Lovingly yours,

ROSE PEARCE,

State Superintendent of Institute.

Darlington, Ind.

Program.

FIRST EVENING MEETING.

7:30—Devotion, music.

7:45—An oratorical contest, or a good entertainment, with an admission fee to defray Institute expenses; a crusade for new members; announcements; benediction.

MORNING SESSION.

9:00—Song and prayer; a ten minute testimony service by ten persons, each giving a scriptural or scientific reason for working against the saloon; words of greeting by county or local president; response and organization by Institute leader; "Tools in Type," circulation of national official papers; its importance, how best to promote it; opening of subscription lists; the strength and weakness of Indiana's local option law, (1) its strength, (2) its weakness; general discussion.

The agitation for high license—what it is—who wants it, and why?

Child labor and its causes.

The work and advantages of a Juvenile Court.

Our Young People's Work—The national plan.

"The Passing" of advertisements of intoxicating liquors, patent medicines and other habit-forming drugs, from our best papers and magazines.

How haste it?

The "White Slave" traffic.

Announcements.

Noon-tide prayer.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1:30 Devotional.

Some practical results of the local option law. Incidents that have come to the knowledge of W. C. T. U. workers. General discussion.

The coming Legislature! What the temperance forces will try to accomplish and what the liquor people will seek to accomplish. What can we do to help the former and defeat the latter? The next Legislature will probably be the most important that has ever been in session, regarding the liquor question.

State-Wide Prohibition—The only real solution of the liquor problem. Why? How?

Rallying of the forces.

Blind tigers and how to open the eyes of blind officers?

The "Model License" League. What is it?

Woman's ballot for the King's business.

How stands the question of Sunday baseball?

What more can we do?

The necessity for Federal legislation to make state prohibition effective.

Anti-narcotic department. A ten-minute paper by a member. General discussion.

When we have state-wide prohibition what more will there be for the W. C. T. U. to do?

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FEBRUARY, 1910.

FRANCIS E. WILLARD DAY, FEBRUARY 17TH.

Every W. C. T. Union should hold a Frances E. Willard public meeting on or near Feb. 17.

On Friday evening, Feb. 18, in every community specially arranged meetings for the public school children should be held in memory of Miss Willard, the greatest woman of her century. Decide upon the time, place and plan of program, then secure the interest and co-operation of the school teachers. A short, well-arranged program on the varied phases of Miss Willard's character given by the High School and grade children will be of great interest. The music to be in charge of a committee of High School boys. They will put interest and enthusiasm into the arrangements and secure the help of the best school talent. At least two songs by a chorus, with a solo and duette by the boys and girls, will add great interest. "Saloons must Go" was written by Miss Willard.

Information concerning Miss Willard's life can be secured at National W. C. T. U. headquarters, Evanston, Ill. A sketch of her life is in leaflet form at 5 cents each. The recent issues of the Union Signal contains information that would be interesting. "Saloons Must Go" is published in song leaflet form at 25 cents per hundred copies.

To make a successful meeting for Feb. 17, 18 or 20, plans should be definitely announced by Feb. 5, as to time, place, etc. Send a letter with a little money to National W. C. T. U. headquarters for information on the very day you read these words. Twenty-five cents in stamps will be sufficient if song leaflets are not ordered in that letter.

Confer with the teachers, secure the help of boys and girls that are energetic and like to make a success. By early planning the time will be pre-empted and great enthusiasm will widely advertise the meeting and all will be of permanent good to the individuals who help and to the cause for which Miss Willard labored and she loved.

All Ministers who speak in their pulpits in Indiana on Feb. 20, should be asked to make public mention of the wonderful life of Frances E. Willard. They should receive a personal request not later than Feb. 2, so as to give them time to prepare and give plenty of time for full announcement of the fact. W. C. T. U. women should bear in mind that early requests are far more easily granted early. Three weeks' announcement of a special subject and of special meetings increases interest and responsibility and must be beneficial to all concerned.

Every W. C. T. Union is asked to send \$2 to the Willard National Memorial Fund for organization soon after Feb. 17. Send to our state treasurer, Miss Clara Sears, Anderson, Ind. It is fitting that this memorial fund is all used for extending and strengthening the organization for which Miss Willard spent the best of her remarkable life. Constant appeals for help from weakly organized territory and from the sparsely settled frontier are met chiefly from this Willard Memorial Fund for Organization.

What more permanent monument could be erected to the memory of Miss Willard?

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The Mid-Year Executive Meeting was held at the Young Men's Christian Association in Indianapolis on Jan. 3.

There was a good attendance.

All the state officers present; Mrs. Vayhinger in the chair.

Mrs. M. C. Carpenter, of Seymour, president of Jackson County, lead an impressive devotional service; Mrs. Gulia Shugart, of Jonesboro, president of Grant County, expressed the sentiment of many present in a prayer of gratitude to Our Heavenly Father for the privilege of again meeting with those whom we love and enjoy companionship.

The following recommendations were made for consideration:

We recommend that each local union pay through the regular channel to the state treasurer on or before Sept. 15, a sum equal to ten cents per member, which shall constitute a fund for traveling expenses of elected delegates to the national convention and of ex-officio delegates not otherwise provided for.

In the election of delegates, preference shall be given to those who are readers of the Union Signal.

Elected delegates whose expenses are thus paid shall be subject to the call of local unions for a

report of the convention upon the payment of traveling expenses and entertainment.

Delegates shall be nominated by a committee chosen by the executive committee and ratified by convention.

Discussion, but no action taken.

Mrs. Vayhinger reported that the National W. C. T. U. convention had created a new department that of "Circulation of National Official Papers," Mrs. Jennie M. Kemp, circulation manager of the Union Signal, is the national superintendent.

The request of the National for a representative for this department was complied with by the appointment of Mrs. Luella F. McWhister as representative for the remainder of the year.

Information was received to the effect that inquiry had been made concerning the purchase of the Hadley Industrial School for a State Children's Home.

Since the compromise of a law suit last year Hadley School Farm and 60 acres additional were deeded directly to the Trustees so that a legal sale of the property could be considered.

The question as to advisability of holding, or selling if there was opportunity, was freely discussed.

Mrs. Lizzie Hann and Mrs. Lida Outland both so long connected with the management of the school, were present.

The Trustees were authorized to sell.

The next state W. C. T. U. convention will be held in Ft. Wayne, date not yet settled.

Temperance Songs must be sung by the people before our victory is won.

"Some Glad Day," to the tune of "Old Black Joe" will always be a favorite. Secure it in leaflet form, 25 cents per hundred, with music. Address Miss Ruby T. Gilbert, 157 Silversmith's Building, Wabash Avenue, Chicago.

Song Leaflet—The Prohibition Map and the song, "Make the Map All White," words only, per 100, 35 cents; words and music, per copy, 5 cents; 10 copies 25 cents.

Song, "Victory," octavo form, per copy, 15 cents; 2 copies 25 cents. Address National W. C. T. U., Evanston, Ill.

Get the best solo singer in town to sing "Victory."

STATE "Y." SECRETARY.

Dear White Ribboners:

The holidays are over and another year of opportunity is before us, and I trust that we will leave no stone unturned to build up our work for the young people.

The advance step that has been taken by the National W. C. T. U. in their work will help us to reach many places, no doubt, that have seemed impossible heretofore.

Too much energy cannot be put into this very important department of our work.

The Young People's Branch edition of The Union Signal will be a great help in our work, and you who are readers of The Union Signal—and I would that you all were—know its value and what its worth will be to our young people.

The Course of study will also be of untold worth to our boys and girls in preparing them for the work of our great organization when you and I must lay it down.

It you have not already done so please read, carefully, the plans, etc., of the new organization in the December Message.

There should be a woman appointed in each Local Union in the state, whose aim and business it would be to have a Young People's Branch organized in her locality.

Write to me for supplies and all needed information.

Yours anxious to serve,

MISS LAURA G. CAMMACK.

Converse, Ind.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Dear Co-Workers:

There will be no change in the young people's work in Indiana this year, or until the change can be made constitutionally, let each Legioner study this new plan of the national and consult with their leaders and W. C. T. U. officers as to why and how. As we in Indiana want to be loyal and true to the mother organization, and I know this subject will be settled right if we will pray earnestly and work as the Lord directs, so let us go on this year working to make it the very best in the history of our Loyal Temperance Legion.

The plan of work for 1910 is found on page 21 of our Annual Report, if you have not received a copy of this report, write me at once, as there are only a few copies left.

This year we are anxious to double our membership. Want a class of 200 graduates; want 2,000 subscribers for Crusader Monthly; want every member to pay dues, and urge the co-operation with our mother union, the W. C. T. U., by the holding of conferences with the officers, as to the laying of plans for the work.

The names and addresses of officers and superintendents of departments are found on page 8 of the Annual Report. Two changes had to be made, Miss Walker, our president, finding she could not serve us longer, sent in her resignation and that duty falls upon Miss Thorne, the vice-president. The medal contest superintendent, Miss Smith, resigns and Miss Lola Overman of Fairmount has been asked to take the place for the remainder of the year.

I will send out the report blanks the first of March and I want a full report from each Legion

from Sept. 15, 1909 to March 15, 1910, to reach me not later than March 25th.

Yours with love and prayers for our work,
IDA M. MIX,
General Secretary L. T. L.

W. C. T. U. NORMAL INSTITUTE.

(Continued from page 1.)

We are combating "old" forms of evil—this is right—but are we closely watching for "new" forms?

Announcements.

SECOND EVENING SESSION.

7:30—Song, invocation.

Special music.

An address by the Institute Leader, or if preferred several short addresses by local ministers, professional and business men.

Offering.

Song and closing prayer.

NOTE—It is not expected that any Institute will be able to cover the whole of this program. For this reason special time for each subject has not been assigned. Committees will please select such topics as they may consider most desirable and use the time accordingly.

ROSE PEARCE,

State Superintendent of Institute.

Darlington, Ind.

Schedule 1910.

Allen, De Kalb, Noble, Steuben, Fayette and Wayne counties the dates to be arranged by the leader, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Upland.

Marion County, date to be arranged. Leader, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Liberty.

Madison County, March 21-22; Hamilton County, March 23-24; Boone County, March 25-26; Morgan County, April 11-12; Monroe County, April 13-14; Lawrence County, April 15-16. Leader, Miss Mary E. Woodard, Fountain City.

St. Joseph's County, March 14-15; Elkhart County, March 16-17; La Porte County, March 22-23; Porter County, March 24-25; Lake County, to be arranged; Delaware County, April 4-5; Blackford County, April 6-7; Jay County, April 8-9; Grant County, April 11-12; Clinton County, April 20-21; Tippecanoe County, April 22-23; Benton County, April 25-26. Leader, Mrs. Rose Pearce, Darlington.

Marshall County, March 10-11; Pulaski County, March 14-15; Miami County, March 16-17; Wabash County, March 28-29; Whitley County, March 30-31; Wells County, April 1-2; Gibson County, April 18-19; Posey County, April 20-21; Vanderburg County, April 22-23; Warrick County, April 25-26; Spencer County, April 27-28. Leader, Mrs. Retta Jones, Alexandria.

Owen County, March 21-22; Knox County, March 23-24; Johnson County, April 4-5; Bartholomew County, April 6-7; Jackson County, April 8-9; Washington County, April 11-12; Floyd County, April 13-14; Jennings County, April 15-16; Jefferson County, April 28-29; Dearborn County, May 2-3; Union County, May 4-5; Randolph County, May 6-7. Leader, Mrs. Ella Kroft, Bloomington.

The following counties will please write the superintendent, Mrs. Rose Pearce, Darlington, and arrange with her as to the dates of Institutes and leaders. Let this be speedily done: Davies, Vermillion, Vigo, Clay, Hendricks, Howard, Huntington, Decatur and any other county not scheduled.

Lovingly yours,

ROSE PEARCE,

State Superintendent of Institute.

Darlington, Ind., Jan. 1910.

Mrs. Sallie Edgerton Stout was in Texas for a while and the following report shows what work she did. How inspiring! Few women have ever been so accurate in keeping account of the work done. During her short residence in La-Fayette Mrs. Edgerton was a great inspiration to the W. C. T. Unions as she has always been in her home, Grant County.

House to house visits	110
Bible readings given	20
Pages of literature distributed	7,000
Letters written for work	20
Cards written for work	22
Articles written for the press	4
Names secured for a mothers' magazine ..	40
Talks given for our work	15
Ladies' meetings attended	8
Young people's meetings attended	2
Schools visited	2
Children that promised to observe the morning watch	35
Regular W. C. T. U. meetings attended ...	2
Mothers' meetings held	6
Prayer meetings led	2
Names secured for members of the W. C. T. U.	126

Visited two families and assisted in the revival services held at Friends Wood, Tex.; gave two weeks to the work there; secured 64 names for a W. C. T. U. organization, with 24 honorary members. Kindly assisted by Rev. Rachel Middleton, formerly of Indiana, who now lives there; gave three days to the work in Texas City, Tex.; also 16 days to the work in Houston, assisted by their state corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. D. Mihills. I found many dear sweet women in the Sunny Southland as well as in our Hoosier State.

Respectfully submitted,

SALLIE EDGERTON STOUT.

THE MESSAGE

FRANCHISE.

Dear Superintendents of Franchise Department and women of the W. C. T. U.:
I address you all for I earnestly hope this year to have the help of all.

Prejudice is not so strong now, and it is a favorable time to present our cause and literature to people of influence and ask them to make a study of the question—please do count this a part of your work—and make calls on purpose to talk of the injustice of withholding the ballot from women.

Mrs. Varney's plan of work was read the last day of the old year and has been sent to all superintendents and to all counties but three. Those letters will soon be written, superintendents, please have your questions and parts of the plans published in your county papers and send me cards with names and addresses of local superintendents.

I hope all will be careful to have the work asked for completed by the last of February.

Pray, work and think that women shall vote on equal terms with men. Mrs. Varney says she urges us to hold public and parlor meetings, having addresses by prominent persons. Show the unequal conditions of men and women by calling attention to the fact that Mrs. Stevens, the leader of 320,000 women, is denied the right to vote, while it is granted naturalized aliens, some of whom are the lowest type of citizens from all plebian Europe. She urges us to give prizes for debates and essays.

Essays should, with incidents, statistics and sound logic, show the evils menacing our country, viz.: The liquor traffic; traffic in women; desecration of the Sabbath; debasement of moral standards in politics and business; perils from foreign immigration; absorption by a few, at unwarranted cost to the many of the commonwealth and the violent resentment of the same by the multitude.

Because women, trained in economics for generations as careful housekeepers, would more wisely conserve the resources of our nation; would establish and maintain higher standards of citizenship in candidates for public office; would more quickly effect an equitable distribution of earnings; and the votes of our thoughtful, conservative, conscientious women would provide an adequate balance against the increasingly large vote cast solely for financial motives. Therefore: Woman's ballot is an imperative necessity for the welfare of our country.

Write Miss Ruby I. Gilbert, 131 Wabash Ave., Chicago, for assorted leaflets on Franchise; make your selections and get an abundant supply, or if you prefer to send me enclose stamp for postage and I'll try and make a suitable selection, if you tell me for what it is to be used.

Yours cordially,
MRS. LAURA M. THOMPSON.

Greensburg.

PURITY.

Dear Superintendents:

I hope by the time you read this, I can have a personal letter to each county superintendent of Purity. Where there is not a county superintendent already appointed I hope the county president will see that there is a woman appointed, who will work in this department. I have been somewhat slow sending out letters because the work is new, having been appointed your superintendent this year and am trying to get better acquainted with the work. I find this one of the most difficult departments in the W. C. T. U., but it is also one of the most important.

Your community is looking for someone to lead in this direction, will you grasp the opportunity, or will you shrink from "such difficult work?"

I will be glad to help you in any way I can. Let me hear from you.

DOLLIE STALKER, supt.

Westfield, Ind.

Dear Superintendents:

The books of the new year have pages that are white and clean, and are standing open to receive the impressions that our pens and lives will give them. Let us turn over a new leaf, and, if we have been doing our press work well, let us this year come up to our best. There was an encouraging increase in the amount of printed pages last year. I am expecting a greater number this year. Please help me in making this our banner year. Let us continue our work along all the old lines, putting the notices of the W. C. T. U. into all papers; correcting misstatements concerning our different reforms. Let us insert every word possible to push on the local prohibition victories, to help to success state-wide prohibition; to help fight the traffic in women and girls; to give aid and encouragement to the aggressive campaign for the ballot for women, never forgetting to keep the work of the W. C. T. U. with its advanced plans and progress to the front.

We will also continue the work against the Sunday supplements. This work met with a great deal of interest at the national convention, and I am sure the rank and file will be eager to help rid our homes of this infamous sheet.

Are you getting our news into the religious papers? Let us not overlook this splendid field. Let us be systematic and prompt and let us help the press "ring out the false, ring in the true."

I am sending helps to all county superintendents whose names appear in the Annual Report. You know if your name is there, if it is not please write me and I will be glad to send you helps.

Yours ever faithfully,
MRS. EMMA SAYLER.

52 Taylor St., Frankfort, Ind.

PHYSICAL EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Important Suggestions to Superintendents.

If you are a county superintendent, write to each local president asking that a wide-awake, interested woman be appointed local superintendent of this department.

Request of the county president that this topic be given prominent place at all county conventions, and W. C. T. U. institutes.

What a Local Superintendent Can Do.

1—Take steps immediately to hold a Special Physical Educational Meeting. Select most favorable time and place. Advertise well. Written invitations will secure attendance. Include women's clubs and missionary societies. Ask each one receiving invitation to bring a friend with her.

2—Select women who can read the papers with spirit, provided they have good voice.

3—Make the music attractive.

These helpers need not all be members. Send all orders for literature to Mrs. Frances W. Leiter, Mansfield, Ohio.

Samples of literature and program may be obtained from your state superintendent.

MRS. C. C. THOMAS.

3426 S. Boats St., Marion, Ind.

RAILROAD DEPARTMENT.

Dear Superintendents:

I have written to each of you and sent under separate cover samples of leaflets and literature for a program for a parlor of W. C. T. U. railroad meeting. The first Sunday in March is Railroadmen's Day. Ask ministers to preach sermons especially helpful to those included in this department. All such having been particularly invited to attend. Having written to each county president whose name is given in the directory and whose county does not show the Railroad Department, I hope many will appoint a county superintendent and send her name to me that I may correspond with her.

Cordially yours,

MRS. R. P. COLE,
State Superintendent.

Lafayette, Ind., 214 South Sixth street.

NATIONAL OFFICIAL PAPERS.

County presidents and local presidents in Indiana, as the newly appointed state superintendent of the above named department, I appeal to you for consideration and help.

Wherever the Union Signal and the Crusader Monthly are read, there is intelligent interest in the great work of the W. C. T. U. in its nation and world-wide outlook.

Will you help me? Will you help to get the Indiana White Ribboners to read the Union Signal and to advance the interests of the Crusader Monthly? Please do.

Subscription blanks, with full instructions, will be sent at an early date to all local union presidents in Indiana, the names and addresses of local presidents for this purpose will be taken from the State Report. If your name and address is not there properly recorded please write me a card immediately, giving me correct information as to name and address.

Every local union president will please present this subject at the first meeting in February and secure the appointment of the ablest and most reliable woman in the union as superintendent of this department. Of course the superintendent will be a reader of the Union Signal now or become so immediately.

At an early date I will send to the local presidents the Union Signal and Crusader Monthly subscription lists for their unions, which I hope will be carefully counted and preserved.

Please compare this subscription list with your local treasurer's paid membership list and on a post card tell me number of members who paid dues for year ending Sept. 15, 1909 and the present number of Union Signal subscriptions.

Local presidents please help me to get this work started. I know that you are busy, but I'll try to have the subscription lists in your hands before Feb. 1, so at your first meeting in February you can spend ten minutes' time with your treasurer and get the information for me, if you do not already have it.

Be sure and have a superintendent of this department appointed who will take the work up immediately. Send me her name and address please, with the information about number of members for 1909 and present number of subscribers to the Union Signal.

In sending subscriptions to the Crusader Monthly, please have them credited to Mrs. Ida Mix, the subscriptions to the Union Signal credited to myself. Simply mention these names in this manner in letters including subscriptions. The Union Signal, price \$1; the Crusader Monthly, price 25 cents. Address Union Signal and Crusader Monthly, Evanston, Ill.

Cordially and with great earnestness,
LUELLA F. McWHIRTER,
2312 College avenue, Indianapolis.

A PLAN.

Dear Sisters:

Saturday, March 19, has been set aside by the National W. C. T. U. as Gift Day, in observance of Prohibition Rally Day. The plans are for a general Tag Day. The national will send tags and the proceeds are to be equally divided between the local, state and national W. C. T. U. As soon as plans are matured I will write each local president.

Yours,
CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

MARCH 1ST, UNION SIGNAL DAY.

The birthday of our beloved national president, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens.

All over the world where the W. C. T. U. is organized, Union Signal Day is observed by loyal, loving comrades. For the first meeting in March every union in Indiana is urged to arrange for a special Union Signal program of at least twenty minutes. For copies of the Union Signal and all free supplies for use on that day, send to Mrs. Mary Kemp, national superintendent, Evanston, Ill. Get all the subscribers possible. When sending subscriptions, ask that they be credited to your new state superintendent of circulation of national official papers, Mrs. McWhirter.

Indiana's March to Victory could be splendidly illustrated by young women dressed in white, carrying American flags representing the dry counties in Indiana.

THE UNION SIGNAL.

I will give ten dollars in gold to the person sending the greatest number of subscribers to the Union Signal that are credited to the Indiana state superintendent on the Union Signal books before June 15. Institute leaders are not included.

LUELLA F. McWHIRTER,
State Superintendent.

Mrs. Ella Kroft, wife of Rev. C. M. Kroft, of Bloomington, was seriously hurt in an accident on Jan. 12. Her condition is improving at latest accounts.

For Willard Meetings—get supplies, be equipped. Crusade "Glory Song." Glory song music free with each order.

"Under the Star Spangled Banner," a W. C. T. U. national hymn. Time, "Marching Through Georgia," music ten cents extra.

One leaflet contains words of both songs. Price per hundred, 20 cents.

Address MRS. A. A. HAWLEY,
1049 19th Ave, Denver, Col.

Extracts from President Vaghinger's address would be of great interest and a fitting climax to many a public meeting program. Order a copy of Miss Clara Sears, Anderson. Price 5 cents.

NOTICE—LITERATURE.

Anyone desiring single copies of the leaflets to be used in the programs for the year may have the set of ten by sending 10 cents in stamps to Mrs. Vayhinger.

Mrs. Vayhinger has prepared copies of the reform laws of Indiana, more comprehensive in scope than the old copies. These will be ready for distribution in a few weeks, at 5 cents per copy, 20 cents for ten. She has also prepared a Hand Book for local unions which will come with the compliments of the state W. C. T. U. to each union.

WORLD'S CONVENTION TRIP.

Glasgow, Scotland, June 4-11, 1910.

The attention of white ribboners all over our country is turning especially at this time, to the great World's W. C. T. U. Convention to be held in Glasgow, Scotland, June 4-11, 1910. The United States is entitled to about 231 delegates, and present indications are that the delegation will be more than full. Following the convention, tours have been arranged through Scotland, England, The Hague, Paris, Brussels, Cologne, the Rhine, Switzerland, the Passion Play at Oberammergau and through Italy. The lowest prices possible have been secured both on steamships and for the trips. Competent conductors will have the various parties in charge and everything will be looked after in the most efficient manner.

Circulars giving the various trips in detail, with prices ranging from \$245 to \$500 are now being sent out, and will be sent to any one and to all who ask for them. Send the names of your friends who might be interested in such a trip and they will receive the little book.

Address, Minnie B. Horning, 628 Library street, Evanston, Ill., Chairman of Transportation, National W. C. T. U.

At the January meeting of the State Anti-Saloon League it was unanimously decided by the organization to work for constitutional prohibition for Indiana.

Laporte Union was sadly grieved on learning of the death of Mary E. Blach. Her stay of a few days in Laporte several years ago was very beneficial, her jovial and winsome ways won the hearts of all who met her. This union sent to the state corresponding secretary for the collection of leaflets to use in carrying out the Model Program and think them very helpful.

Field News

Huntington, Ind.—Mrs. Mary Sibbett, of Kansas, gave her beautiful lecture, "The Davids of the New Century," at the First Christian Church, Huntington, Ind., on Sunday, Jan. 25, at 2:30 p. m. At the close of the lecture several gave their names for membership in the local union of Huntington. This brave worker and efficient speaker kindly consented to address the students of Central College, Ubee, Ind., in the evening. The students of the college as well as the citizens of Ubee were delighted with her talk and thirteen gave their names for membership. Miss Cammack has been notified of the result of this meeting and will come in the near future to effect an organization, at which time most, if not all, the students will be identified with the Y. P. Branch of the W. C. T. U.

During the holidays the "Frances E. Willard" W. C. T. U. of Richmond, Ind., was made the recipient of a magnificent Christmas gift. The \$700 mortgage, on which the union had for years paid a high rate of interest, was released and we have now a neat little sum accruing monthly from rental of tenement rooms, etc., in our temple, which will be used for benevolences, temperance and charity.

MRS. D. L. HOPKINS,
Treasurer and Trustee "Frances E.
Willard" W. C. T. U.

Indianapolis Northeast W. C. T. U.—A reception in honor of new members was given at the home of Mrs. Oldredge, 1216 Cornell avenue, Friday, Jan. 7. This union has for the past six months been divided into two sections, the reds and blues in a contest for new members. The section of blues, having the most new members, were entertained. A good program was rendered. Mrs. Davis, county evangelist, led the devotional and Mrs. Bressette, county superintendent of Sunday School Department gave an interesting talk on her work. Lunch was served and a very enjoyable afternoon was spent. There were 25 new members.

MRS. CAYLOR,
Press Reporter.

Arba Temperance Union.—Our community has been stirred and aroused by the coming of Mrs. Mary Sibbett, of Kansas, one of the national lecturers of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. She came to our little town Thursday evening, and although the weather was bitter cold, a good audience gathered in the Friends' Church to hear her lecture.

Mrs. Sibbett is truly a convincing and pleasing speaker and her arguments are clean cut and to the point.

Everybody was eager to hear more of the Kansas woman, and on Friday night the church was filled to overflowing, and Mrs. Sibbett's address on "Davids of the New Century" was heard by an appreciative audience. She drew before our minds the most beautiful and pathetic picture of the shepherd boy of old, who went out to meet the great giant, taking only for his weapon five smooth stones which she named Faith, Courage, Patriotism, Purity and Wisdom. Then she pleaded for God to give us Davids in this present century, that we might meet and conquer our giant enemy, the liquor traffic.

She dwelt especially upon the necessity of the life of purity and surely no one could have listened to her pleading without breathing the prayerful words, "Purer in heart, oh God, help me to be."

The Arber Temperance Choir, composed of men and boys of the community, furnished excellent appropriate music.

By invitation from Spartenberg people, Mrs. Sibbett filled the pulpit on Lord's Day morning at the Methodist Church and in the evening at the Christian Church.

Miss Mary Woodard, state corresponding secretary, was present and had charge of the evening program.

Music was again furnished by Arba Choir, and was appreciated by all.

On Monday night Mrs. Sibbett again met an audience in the Christian Church and in her pleasant manner delivered another of her splendid lectures, after which a W. C. T. U. was organized in Spartenburg.

We feel sure that great and lasting good has resulted from her visit with us.

May God's choicest blessings rest upon Mrs. Sibbett and her noble work.

The Indianapolis Meridian W. C. T. U. held a delightful meeting at the home of Mrs. M. H. Bressette, 1935 Broadway, Jan. 12. The devotional services were led by Mrs. H. G. Hill. A committee was appointed to visit the ten schools assigned to this union by Mrs. Nellie Fox, and a number volunteered to assist Mrs. Artman in her work at any time they were called upon to do so. A new plan for raising money was arranged for in the nature of a "rug factory." The report from "The Local Council of Women" was given by Miss Mildred Stockman. The address of the afternoon was given by Dr. Clark Day. His subject was "The Influence of Alcohol on the Human System." Mrs. Fanny Reng gave about a 15-minute talk on "The Power of Prayer." A group of Scotch songs were sung by Mr. J. M. S. Kerr. The February meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Amelia Lambert, 2225 North Capitol avenue.

Mrs. Scott Robertson entertained the members of the Elwood W. C. T. U. at a parlor meeting, Jan. 6. Our county president, Mrs. Reta Jones, was present and gave a very interesting and in-

structive talk. After discussing the New Year's resolutions for the union, a very fine program was given, after which dainty refreshments were served.

Yours with prayers for the success of the W. C. T. U.,

SARAH MAHOLM,
County and Local Press Supt.

World's Temperance Sunday Program carried out in Evansville through the efforts of Mrs. Belle P. Whitney:

Music—The Apollo Male Quartette.

Responsive Reading on Christian Citizenship—

Lead by Sunday school superintendents.

Music—Temperance hymn.

Prayer—Rev. L. F. Drash (Bethany Christian Sunday School).

Music—The Apollo Male Quartette.

A Plea for the Children—Miss Edith Horton (Jefferson Avenue C. P. Sunday School).

A Small Boy's Temperance Lecture—Willard Howerton (Calvary Baptist Sunday School).

Solo—Mrs. E. E. Hoskinson (Central M. E. Sunday School).

Prohibition a Civic Necessity—Malin Sanson (Trinity M. E. Sunday School).

A Stainless Flag—Preston Miller (Park Memorial Sunday School).

Music—The Apollo Male Quartette.

A Four-Square Boy or a Lop-Sided Boy, Which?—Mr. Harold B. Brown, boys' secretary Y. M. C. A. (Grace Memorial Sunday School).

Solo—Mr. Chas. J. Schneider (Second German M. E. Sunday School).

One Way to Help the Temperance Cause—Lucille Hicks (Howell M. E. Sunday School).

Temperance Doxology:

Praise God from whom all blessing flow;

Praise Him who heals the deepest woe;

Praise Him who leads the Temperance Host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Benediction.

Monroe County held an executive meeting at which the county president was allowed \$5 to be used in her work, and the county superintendent's expenses are to be met from the county fund. The county superintendent will give a banner to each local superintendent of their department giving the best report at the end of the year. Now, local superintendents, do your best. More work being done since October in Medal Contest Work than for many years. Mrs. Seward, of Bloomington, is evidently doing good work in that line, holding contests in district schools, thereby arousing temperance sentiment, thus opening the way for organizing new unions.

We were sorry, indeed, to learn at this executive meeting that many members were not receiving the Message, especially those of Ellitsville union and we say this should not be.

O. N. LIEBENAUT,
County Superintendent of Press.

The Madison W. C. T. U., at their regular monthly meeting held on the afternoon of Jan. 11, held a memorial service in honor of the birthday anniversary of Mrs. Mary Thompson Willard, the mother of Francis Willard.

A very interesting paper was read by our local president, Mrs. Rosa Jamison, on her life.

Mrs. George Denny read a splendid paper on "The Mother and the Child."

Much enthusiasm was shown in the discussion that followed.

Mrs. Keeny, superintendent of the purity department, reported much done in this line, obscene postal cards and pictorial advertisements taken from drug store windows and postal car exhibit in response to requests given kindly.

MRS. MARY E. BAYLESS,
Press Superintendent.

Princeton W. C. T. U. holds semi-monthly meetings in the First Baptist Church. With Mrs. W. W. Medcalf, president, we feel that we have the right woman in the right place. At the executive session at the beginning of the year it was decided that we accept the Model Program as prepared by the state, and to carry it out as nearly as possible. The meetings thus far have been interesting and instructive. We are still rejoicing that Gibson County is dry, and are praying that it will not be long until every county in Indiana will also be dry. Gibson County has something else to feel proud of—a colored organization in Princeton. Our county president, Mrs. Lizzie Pfohl, with Mrs. McCurdy, state organizer for the colored people, recently organized a colored union with 43 enthusiastic charter members. A Loyal Temperance Legion with 50 members and a "Y" with 20 members. We hope great things for the colored people of Princeton through these organizations. Mrs. Pfohl is planning further organizations in the county.

KATHERINE YOUNGMAN,
County Press Superintendent.

Princeton, Ind., Dec. 21, 1909.

The Jay County superintendent of Flower Missions, Mrs. Kate Keesair, recently notified the Portland local superintendent to hold services at the County Jail, and received the reply that since the county has gone dry the jail has become practically empty of criminals, its occupants being an occasional patron of a blind tiger to sober off, or other transient prisoners.

G. O. C., Press Superintendent.

South Bend.—Mrs. Carl Rogers, evangelistic superintendent, of Colfax Avenue Union of South Bend, is conducting systematic bible study during the devotional half hour of each regular meeting. The life of Christ was chosen for study, and she gives out subjects at one meeting to be looked up for the next meeting. This makes the exercises unusually interesting and profitable.

Mrs. West, our superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, has had cards printed which she sells

for 1 cent each. She thinks that these cards sent to young mothers with flowers, or given with a kind word or friendly call may help many to realize the greatness of motherhood.

Colfax Union subscribed for the Scientific Temperance Journal to be sent for one year to the Y. W. C. A. reading room. Three members of the union are also subscribers to this journal.

We are glad to note that the other three unions of the city have ordered this journal sent to the Y. M. C. A., the Public Library and the superintendent of schools.

MRS. W. M. WELD, Sec'y,
Jan. 3, 1910.

NOTE—The following quotation on a beautifully printed card, about the size of a calling card, is very attractive. South Bend Colfax Avenue Union is doing excellent mothers' work through its able superintendent, Mrs. West.

EDITOR.

"A partnership with God is Motherhood;
What strength, what purity, what self-control,
What love, what wisdom should belong to her
Who helps God fashion an immortal soul."

W. C. T. U.

W. C. T. U. KEEPS OPEN HOUSE.

On New Year's Day the W. C. T. U. kept open house at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stahl. The house was beautifully decorated with our colors—white and yellow—with holly wreaths, potted plants and cut flowers. Different W. C. T. U. ladies assisted in receiving from 1 to 9 p. m.

Excellent music was furnished throughout the afternoon and evening by an orchestra and by the best musicians of the city. Our W. C. T. U. Quartette rendered some beautiful selections also.

Refreshments were served in two courses. The rain and slush kept many away, but despite the inclement weather nearly 150 were present and all said "We have had a fine time." Some new members were secured.

MRS. S. M. STAHL.

North Vernon W. C. T. U. held a Mothers' meeting on Jan. 4 at the home of Mrs. Emma Powell. Many of the members were present and ten visitors. The meeting opened with song, followed by scripture reading by Mrs. Chadwick. Responses were "Reasons Why Every Mother Should Wear a White Ribbon." Many good reasons were given. Mrs. Nina Verbarg then sang a lullabye. Mrs. Powell read a poem, "Maternity," this was followed by a paper from our president, Mrs. Barth, her subject was "Formative Influence of Childhood." This was a good paper and she told us many things that mothers ought to keep in mind. Mrs. Green gave a reading from American Motherhood.

Our union has planned to gain as many new members this year as possible. During the social hour refreshments were served by the hostess and the white ribbon pinned on a guest.

MRS. IDA GROSSMAN,
Press Superintendent.

Everton W. C. T. U., of Fayette County is not idle. They recently held two pleasant and profitable meetings, the first with Mrs. Mabel Myer, and the other with Mrs. Maggie Veatch, at their homes in Everton. On Christmas the inmates of the County Infirmary were kindly remembered by the union. They obtained the names of all the inmates and each lady of the union prepared a package of presents, which included a Christmas card bearing her own name as well as the name of the recipient. Thus bringing to those unfortunate our mite of the cheer of Christmastide.

ANNIE TRUSLER BRUMFIELD.

Our Promoted Comrades

CHURUBUSCO W. C. T. U. has recently lost two beloved members.

November 9th, 1909, Mrs. Anna Cotterly heard the welcome words of her Saviour, "Well done thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord."

Mrs. Eunice Potter became weary in this world of strife; battling for right and against wrong; always ready to do her duty. She fell asleep January 5th, 1910.

On January 3rd, Mrs. Melissa Earl, one of our active earnest workers in the ranks of the W. C. T. U. was called from labor to reward. She has heard the "well done good and faithful servant." For four years she was the faithful County Superintendent of prison and jail work. She held a service in the jail every week. If on account of sickness she could not be there she always found someone to take her place. Many letters were received by her from men who had to serve a term in the penitentiary thanking her for what she had done for them and expressing a determination to lead a Christian life. And we know that hundreds have been led to a better life by her labor of love. There is one less in our white ribbon circle, but one more in heaven. Her company today is an innumerable company of angels which no man can number. May this thought be a silver lining to the dark cloud that overshadows the desolate home when she will be so sadly missed.

On January 6th, the Central Union of Evansville was again called to mourn the loss of a white ribbon sister, Mrs. Mary McKinley. From her girlhood days she was an earnest Christian Temperance worker having been a member of several temperance organizations. Before coming to Evansville she was a member of the Troy Union in Perry Co. She was ever a willing worker for the uplifting of humanity. The call came to her while living with her daughter, Mrs. Geo. W. Furnham, who is also a member and Secretary of the Central Union. We extend to her our heartfelt sympathies and while she must mourn the dear mother's absence she can rejoice that "she has now the fadeless crown."

GEORGE W. DAVIS, beloved husband of Mrs. Ellen Davis, Marion County, Evangelist, died very suddenly of heart trouble, October 15th, 1909, at his home 833 Broadway, Indianapolis. He was a good husband, a kind father, a true Christian and a prohibitionist. While living in Richmond he was an honorary member of the W. C. T. U. and wore the white ribbon. He always advocated a white life for two.

THE WILLIAMSPORT UNION is suffering the loss of our President Mrs. Nettie Williams who left us Dec. 10th, 1909. She was a very earnest worker and had great plans for the year. Her last work was to prepare a paper to be read before the Union. When the campaign for local option was begun she called the workers to her bedside, to help plan the work and when the news of our victory was brought to her, though almost too weak to speak, she expressed her joy. She was an earnest worker in the Christian church. Her life was a beautiful one and will be greatly missed in the community.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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BOYS ARE TO VOTE.

Fine fun is planned for the boys in Kilbourne Township, Mason County, Ill. It is proposed to have an election next spring, at the time of the regular township election at which boys under twenty-one will vote. There will be a separate voting place with booths and election judges and the same regulations as govern the men's election. Two questions are to be submitted, whether Kilbourne Township shall be wet or dry and whether women shall vote or not. Petitions will be gotten up in the spring in the prescribed way and everything done as required by law for the regular election. This will not only be fun, but be instructive. Why not let the girls vote also? There is no law forbidding.—Crusader Monthely.

ANTI-NARCOTICS.

Mrs. Loretta Durbin, Sup't., Foraker, Ohio.

Tobacco Gets Hard Hit.

About sixteen young men of Kenton, O., have formed an "Anti-Smoke Club." Each member will put into the treasury \$1.00 per week. The treasurer will deposit the money where it will bring interest. Each member agrees to refrain from smoking tobacco for one year. Any member failing to keep the smoke pledge will lose all he has already deposited. At the end of the year all of the members in good standing will divide the accumulations among themselves. Mr. Earl Rutledge has been chosen treasurer of the club.—Kenton Republican.

CONSTITUTIONAL PROHIBITION DEFEATED IN ALABAMA.

Hon. Charles R. Jones, in an interview, said to a True American reporter:

"Brewers' cash, allied with great corporate interests and Democratic politicians of national prominence, defeated Constitutional Prohibition in Alabama.

"Our private advices show that the liquor men brought hundreds of thousands of dollars into the Alabama campaign, purchasing newspapers, buying voters and sowing the state thick with slander of Prohibition leaders and misrepresentations of the issue.

"But the slush fund of the liquor forces and the powerful influence of the corporations, whom Governor Comer had antagonized by strict enforcement of law, would have been powerless without the aid of the two United States Senators from Alabama and a list of prominent Democratic bosses who pooled their strength and proved traitor to the people's interests.

"The Alabama election will prove a blessing in disguise to the Prohibition movement. State Prohibition still stands by statutory enactment, but the people have learned three things:

"First, that a persistent and systematic educational movement is still a necessity.

"Second, that public sentiment must vigilantly demand and compel law enforcement as the chief factor in this educational work, and third that Prohibition of any kind will always be in danger of political treachery until the friends of Prohibition untie their forces in a definite and permanent political organization which they themselves control, and from which the liquor politicians have all been driven.

"The result in Alabama is emphatic proof of the need of a Prohibition party in state and nation, uniting all supporters of the Prohibition movement, and pledges to establish the reform wherever it triumphs."

Traffic in Women.—At a recent National W. C. T. U. convention it was voted to change the traffic commonly call "The White Slave Trade" to "Traffic in Women." This seems to be more significant a name, as the traffic is wholly in women, the virtue of men having never been a merchantable commodity.

Mrs. Marshall, wife of Governor Marshall, of our state is opposed to women having the ballot. In a recent interview reported in an Indianapolis paper Mrs. Marshall is quoted as saying:

"I don't believe in woman's suffrage." "I have always felt that the men are more capable to take care of these affairs and I am still of that opinion. If there is any place, however, in which a woman's voice should be heard, it is in school matters. Still, I am inclined to believe that men are just as competent there as anywhere else. A man has better foresight; he weighs all questions before acting on them. A woman is liable to act on an impulse without the careful consideration a man would give the questions. It is for this reason that I think men who are really good men should have charge of these affairs. My experience has been that men are just as capable in these things as women; I don't know whether I shall change my opinion or not."



Mrs. Mary H. McTaggart.
President Stuben County W. C. T. U.

VOICE OF CHICAGO'S BAPTISTS.

EDITOR'S NOTE.—Probably no one will accuse the whole body of Baptist ministers of the city of Chicago of being sensationalists, and the following protest, adopted by the Baptist ministers' conference of this city and signed by some of the most prominent clergymen of that denomination in Chicago is certainly worthy of preservation as a document upon the policy of segregation of vice. It is worthy of notice that both Mayor Busse and Chief Steward have paid no attention save that of scornful reference to this protest.

PREAMBLE.—Let us understand what is meant by the term segregation. If it were socially what it is medically we might have some patience with it. But segregation of vice in this city is not quarantine of the social evil but an exploitation of it.

Segregation is a police policy by executive order for the regulation and control of institutionalized prostitution.

Segregation is the open combining of the house of ill fame with the lowest type of the liquor saloon.

Segregation is practical confiscation of property because the owners of property in a segregated district must sell or rent their property for illegal purposes or take a very low rental if the property is rented for legitimate uses.

Segregation is a cruel injustice to the poor. The poor who are unfortunate enough to live in a segregated portion of the city are compelled to witness the infamous trade of prostitution, forced to see their children grow up accustomed to the lowest sort of social life. Few children can escape moral ruin under such conditions.

Segregation is the most deplorable promotion of crime. This policy gives over a portion of the city's domain to the most loathsome criminals of the world, whose trade is to debauch the innocent and to prey upon the debauched.

Segregation is recognition of a frightful evil in such a manner as to commend the wrong to those loose in morals and the untaught, thus drawing many more thousands of youth into sin than would be the case under a policy that enforced the law against such an evil business.

Segregation is a temptation to the city officials to exploit vice for private gain. It has come to pass in our great cities that the political balance of power is in the hands of the corrupt politicians, who represent the segregated districts, or at least the evil forces of the city.

Segregation is the policy that is most pleasing to the keepers of evil resorts and to the white slave traders of all nations. Such districts invite and protect the white slave trade.

Segregation is the assurance of immunity to all sorts of criminals of which they are not slow to take advantage.

Segregation is the most successful means of debauching the country people who come to the city for trade. Such districts become one of the great sights of the city, to which some merchants either take or send their country customers.

Segregation spreads disease much more rapidly than could be the case under strict enforcement of law. Men take it for granted that the so-called inspection is a protection, when as a matter of fact the best physicians testify that no amount of inspection or treatment affords any protection against the awful diseases that are the inevitable fruitage of the social evil.

Segregation is a woeful deception. It is claimed that such districts protect the resident portions of the city. Even cold statistics disprove this assertion. Take, for example, the Twenty-second street red light district. The police say there are about 1,100 immoral women there, but over 1,200 outside as far as Thirty-first street.

It is proved by recent investigations that all portions of the city, even the remoter suburbs, are becoming infested by houses of ill-repute. Woodlawn is a notable example of this sort.

Segregation as a policy for the restriction and control of the social evil is an expensive failure. It reverses the divine order by making the way of the transgressor easy instead of hard. Other cities have tried and discarded this method of dealing with prostitution, and it is time for Chicago to do the same.

Whereas, There exists in this city of Chicago, by executive order, the policy of segregation of vice by which certain districts of the city are surrendered to the open business of prostitution; and,

Whereas, The policy has been in force for many years and therefore can be judged as to its merits as a method for the restriction and control of the vicious business so segregated; and,

Whereas, It is now clear that this policy has utterly failed to restrict or diminish the social evil or even to restrict it to the portions of the city set apart for its existence; and,

Whereas, This discredited policy is now a menace to the social and political advancement of this city, hanging like a mill stone on the neck of our official life and like a cancer poisoning our entire social being; and

Whereas, We believe that honest officials desire the most rapid advancement of our city in every worthy thing, and recognizing that the present administration inherited from past regimes the policy of segregation; and

Whereas, There is now an enlightened public sentiment aroused against this ruinous policy of segregation which demands its overthrow and which calls for the righteous enforcement of the laws against all evil resorts; and

Whereas, To continue the present policy will mean the spread of vice in a greater degree than at the present time, thus stigmatizing the good name of our city and fixing more firmly in the mind of the world our reputation for wickedness; and,

Whereas, Every holy instinct of our nature is outraged by such open recognition of sin, intolerable in a Christian civilization;

Therefore be it resolved, That We, the Baptist Ministers' Conference of Chicago, most seriously urge upon our city government the immediate abolition of the red light districts, that the policy of segregation of vice be brought to an end and that institutionalized prostitution in Chicago be stamped out.

2. We emphatically demand that the proper officers of the law immediately institute legal proceedings against the keepers of houses of prostitution and the owners of property used for such purposes.

3. We heartily recommend the public press of Chicago, for its endeavor to lessen crime and to clear our city of the criminal elements, but we respectfully call the attention of the editors of our daily press to this obvious fact, that the continued existence of the policy of segregation of vice makes any thorough cleansing of the city impossible. Therefore we urge upon the press continued warfare against the red light districts by the public exposure of the debasing conditions in these vice districts till an end is made of this infamous policy of segregation.

4. We expect our great police force to so safeguard this city that no visitor thereto can find a house of prostitution without an evil guide. To this end we demand that prostitution be driven into the dark and kept there. It is an unspeakable shame that such houses are allowed to so adorn themselves with lights, gay colors, leaded-glass canopies, and other insignia and boldly declare their character to every passerby. To this end we suggest that extreme legal measures be employed to abolish all such public houses.

5. We send an earnest, anxious call to all pastors, teachers, editors, judges, and other leaders of the people to do their utmost in closing the dens of iniquity with which our city abounds, and especially to aid in the speedy abolition of the red light districts.

6. We direct that copies of this expression be sent to his honor, Mayor Fred A. Busse; to Honorable LeRoy T. Steward, general superintendent of the police; given to the public press, and spread upon the records of this conference.—National Prohibitionist.

County presidents, please urge your Unions to push The Union Signal subscription work. Readers of The Union Signal have a broad outlook upon the temperance work of the world and upon our Nation that makes them valuable members. Our interest in a subject is according to our information. One dollar a year for a weekly sixteen page Woman's Christian Temperance Union official paper. Every member should read The Union Signal.

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Everywhere W. C. T. U. women should be informed upon the civic conditions near their own homes.

The disregard for law is very general. Officers are sworn to enforce the law. Instead, we know in some instances where they cause an "interpretation" to be made of such laws as they deem undesirable. The assertion is made by such officials that the people do not want such a law.

Are there places of vice in our Indiana cities that are protected? In Indianapolis, yes. With red lights in doors or transoms. Houses of prostitution are known to all classes by their red lights. Those who walk or drive along the streets of an evening can tell exactly where these houses are located.

The places are thus advertised by their red lights to the people who come into Indianapolis for business or pleasure. Some lines of the interurban pass several noted places.

In order to clean up this evil all Indiana women must work unitedly. It is well to clean up at the home town first and then to help the good people of the state and of the city of Indianapolis to clean up Indianapolis.

The evil resorts of the Capital City thrive from the patronage from outside cities and towns.

W. C. T. U. women know that saloons and prostitution thrive side by side.

The County Institutes will be a great agency for the advancement of our cause if the local Union advertises and works hard for three weeks previous to the date set for the institute.

Failure will be the result of procrastination in advertising. Really that is the great hindrance to our work. The women in charge do not begin weeks in advance to organize and advertise for their meetings. Yes of course, there is much seeming indifference, still there are many who will assist in decorating, entertaining, etc., or will take part in the plans for getting up a big chorus or something else if asked weeks in advance. No, of course, they cannot if only asked a few days or a week in advance when other plans are made. A short program well arranged and well carried through will be appreciated.

Never submit to a long program. Think of a contest with ten speeches and music. Those who attend that who are not vitally interested will never get into another such W. C. T. U. meeting.

Begin on time if only five people are in the house. Its a great mistake to wait for musicians or the person to lead devotional service.

If an audience is assembled and it is time for the program the reputation of the W. C. T. U. is at stake, do not delay the program for anybody.

The presiding officer should not whisper or talk to others on the platform and should not leave the platform, go down in the audience and talk to someone. Dignity, always maintain. All cannot be wise, but all can be dignified, and all can be gracious and kind. These are requisites in a presiding officer.

Definite arrangements should be made previous to the day of the meeting for taking a collection. Women of known worth, who are appreciated in their home community, should take the collection unless young women or young men are invited to do so. Residents should always take the collection instead of strangers to place of meeting.

Where the programs are not long and the adjournment is by 8:45 or 9:00 p. m., audiences are much larger.

In every Institute please appoint someone to take subscriptions to The Union Signal, \$1.00, and Crusader monthly, 25c. All subscriptions addressed to Evanston, Ill.

Sing temperance songs—many are now published—of course, in order to have them learned and sung, they must be bought many weeks before needed. Temperance singing will help to bring the victory. Teach the boys and girls to sing.

Some of the department superintendents in Indiana are doing very helpful, intelligent work. The printed matter sent out by a few state superintendents would be a credit to a National Department Superintendent. Indiana women are very capable. What every officer and superintendent

in every county needs is to be careful and prayerful, and the records at the end of the year will make the state superintendents rejoice. It is the painstaking, thoughtful individual who really counts for most in the mighty warfare we wage.

A campaign for better ventilation methods in public buildings has been started by the Chicago Chapter of the American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers. The Illinois member of the central publicity committee, has taken steps to secure the co-operation of the Chicago and State Medical Societies in the organization's efforts to acquaint the general public with the dangers of impure air. Legislation on this matter is needed.

LAWLESSNESS.
In our cities there is a lack of respect for law. The laws are not enforced but substitutes are made in the form of regulations. It is so generally. In Chicago our W. C. T. U. women have raised one of the most important issues on the civic life of that city. Prostitution is prohibited by laws of Illinois. It is the duty of public officials to enforce the law. We watch with interest the outcome.

Dice boxes and dice throwing is very common in hotel offices, usually on cigar stands. Here young men and boys participate in or watch the process. Many fathers know this, others do not. It is a subject that should be considered. To raise up a nation of gamblers will not require many decades, with mothers playing cards for prizes and men and boys throwing dice in other places as well as hotel offices. Christian men and women should investigate conditions in their communities and arouse public sentiment to action against the gambling habit.

Social Hygiene vs. The Sexual Pleagues is the name of a health circular issued by the Indiana State Board of Health, Indianapolis, Ind. Order copies of this health circular from the State Board of Health, the State House, Indianapolis. Copies sent free upon application. Read the letter to the General Public and to parents in particular, aloud in your W. C. T. U. meeting. Get the ministers to read it to a meeting of men only, and Sunday School superintendents to read it to an after meeting of all the boys and men in their Sunday Schools.

If the medical observation indicating that 80 per cent of men between 18 and 30 have an unclear disease is correct, the women of Indiana should be aroused. If only twenty men out of a hundred are decent for our daughters to associate with, the mothers must not rest until there is a change. A diseased man may be the cause of a young wife becoming ill or perhaps an invalid. Consider this subject and pray for ability and opportunity to do something to help to remedy conditions.

The power of the Mayor of a city is very great as we see occasionally when someone is particularly bold. The fact that this is true encourages us to believe that much can be accomplished in every town by the united efforts of the women or by a Law and Order League toward any desired reform.

W. C. T. U. women must be well in formed if they will exert an influence. Read! Read!! READ!!! It will pay. Read your best city town or county paper. Read The Union Signal. Then keep your ears open for mention of magazine articles on reform measures, read them. From The Union Signal you get each week a resume of the temperance and reform measures before United States Congress.

Pray for discretion. Armed with information and discretion enter heartily into the Missionary Society work and in the other Church organizations. When there is opportunity—and it will come—seek to arouse an interest among those with whom you work in the temperance and purity work. The saloon and the brothel are twin evils and exist so generally.

Interest and enthusiasm is easily raised for a poor family with sickness, etc. This should be, but of so great is the need of preventive work. The slow process of educating public sentiment makes the interest and enthusiasm of the many lag.

It is far easier to raise money to rescue a white slave victim than to raise money to post warnings in public places and to secure systematic workers to disseminate information concerning the evils of the Traffic in Women.

Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, the editor, has been spending a little while at the Battle Creek Sanitarium in Michigan. This, a rendezvous for Christian and W. C. T. U. people who need rest and treatment.

During the Missionary Conference just held in this world-famed sanitarium, Dr. T. S. Johnson and Bishop Thoburn, of Indiana, were prominent with men and women representing twelve different countries. The Medical Missionaries of many countries created much interest.

Mrs. Elizabeth Haughton is spending this cold weather with her son in Texas. She will return to Indiana in April or the first of May and be ready for service.

A SUGGESTIVE PROGRAM FOR SABBATH OBSERVANCE MEETINGS.

Song—"One Day in Seven." (Leaflets 10c per 100).

Bible Teaching on the Sabbath (A responsive reading leaflet, 10c per 100).

Prayer.

Song—"Oh, Sabbath, 'Tis of Thee." (Leaflet 10c per 100).

Reading—"The Price of the Sabbath." (Leaflet 10c per 100).

Paper—"Is Sabbath Desecration Increasing or Diminishing?"

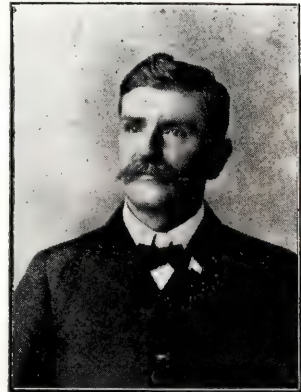
Special—Music or Recitation.

Reading of State Sabbath Laws.

Song—"Remember the Sabbath." (Leaflet 10c per 100).

Send to Mrs. U. F. Cox, Vienna, N. J., for any of the above leaflets.

KATRYN WERT HOLLER,
State Superintendent, South Bend, Ind.



Rev. J. L. Buyer.

The following is an extract from the report made by the presiding elder, J. Wise, of the Ft. Wayne District, at the last annual conference of the Evangelical Church:

The work accomplished by Rev. J. L. Buyer, pastor of Linn Grove Circuit, is wonderful. Not having been an eye witness it will be impossible to describe the conflicts and persecutions through which this modern Luther passed. Within his parish he is better known, perhaps, by his appellations: The Sunday Baseball Fighter, The Saloon Ouster, The Fighting Parson from Kentucky, than by his real name. Missels were hurled from ambush in the darkness at this fearless preacher while on his way to and from his appointments. Could you now behold the egg bespattered parsonage you would conclude that the persecutors of the Christian Church are not dead yet. Notwithstanding the fact that this preacher was hissed by the bad folks and looked upon with some suspicion by the good people, he did not declare the battle off until the Sunday baseball players and booze-sellers of Linn Grove, Vera Cruz and Geneva were put out of business.

Rev. Buyer is an honorary member of the Linn Grove W. C. T. U., and was the first man to circulate a remonstrance in Hartford Township, which was successful in removing three saloons from the little town of Linn Grove. He was a zealous worker in the successful county local option campaign in Adams County.

A Prayer.

Oh, God of earth and Heaven, too,
We women of the W. C. T. U.
Are ready, waiting, one and all
To answer to the bugle call.
Ready to march right into the fray,
Ready to work in any right way
If it will help our nation to save
From a drunkard's disgraceful grave.
Oh, help us save the children dear
By warning them of wine and beer;
Help them to shun the very first glass
Also the gay saloon to pass
For in them is our future hope
And with temptation they must cope
For small drinks as the mustard grows
Bearing a tale of many woes.
Thou knowest, Lord, how hearts are breaking
For our country's falling men,
Fallen by the effects of rum
More cruel than the sword or gun.
How the mothers' hearts are aching
For their boys that enter in
The saloon with gilded trimmings
Hiding death within its glass
And may Thy infinite wisdom
Bring world-wide prohibition to pass.

M. A. C.

MRS. STANLEY'S NOTE BOOK.

Dear Sisters:

Immediately after my return from Omaha I went to De Kalb County to help our folks in their local prohibition fight. The W. C. T. U. all over the county worked day and night until the ballots were counted out and when the dry victory was announced they wasted little time on the jubilee but made plans at once to help Indiana go dry.

I have spent the past two months in a vain effort to save our Wayne County boy from the electric chair in Ohio. I am now getting letters from all over the country because the newspapers gave

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out the report that this boy was my nephew. I am sure you will all be glad to know that this is not true. I am not related to him by any ties of blood at all, but I have known him from childhood, he grew up at my door and belonged to my Sunday school class and to one of the best families in Indiana. The woman who led the boy to believe that she loved him above all others was written up by the press as an angel of light and he painted as a vile murderer. I do not condone his crime, but I do say if he had been given fair treatment, both before and after the tragedy, he would not have been legally murdered by the state.

Indiana is by no means guiltless for this boy was a victim of Wayne County's well-regulated saloons.

On his way to the execution chair he took a coin from his purse and sent it to me with a prayer on his lips for my work.

Now I am going to have this coin carved: "Harry Bief, murdered by the state of Ohio, Jan. 19, 1910, J. B. Harmon, governor."

I am going to give my life to wipe out capital punishment. This bill must be pushed in our next General Assembly. If any body has a plan and wants to help, write me at Liberty, Ind.

I am now in Evansville for ten days' campaign. God bless the brave women of old Vanderberg, they still serve 25-cent dinners for 15 cents in order to get the men in off the street long enough to read their flaming prohibition posters and ask them to sign our petition for woman suffrage and state-wide prohibition, and now, dear sisters, hence forth I must add to the above the abolition of capital punishment, for this is a relic of barbarism and does not punish the criminal nor reduce crime; it only kills the family of the victim who have committed no crime.

I go home Feb. 1.

Loyally,
ELIZABETH T. STANLEY.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S BANCH.

Dear Editor:

A fine Young People's Branch of the W. C. T. U. was organized at Saratoga on the 27th of January, by Miss Clara Sears. Fourteen young people signed the pledge and put on the white ribbon.

The following officers were elected:
President—Miss Eva Pontiss.
Vice President—Mr. Bennie Fouse.
Corresponding Secretary—Mr. Gath Barnum.
Recording Secretary—Miss Ida Warren.
Treasurer—Miss Ruth Orr.

I hope to be able to report another Y. P. B. soon at Huntington, and trust that at other places the work is being carried on and that many new branches may be reported soon. Surely the dear women of Indiana will grasp the opportunities before them of enlisting the young people in this noble work for clean and right living. May God bless us all and help us to make the best of the time as it speeds us on and on to the day of reckoning when we must give account of our stewardship.

Yours for the young people of Indiana,
LAURA CAMMACK.

Converse, Ind.

"FLOWERS ARE GOD'S OWN MESSENGERS."

Dear Flower Missioners:

How can I express my deep gratitude to all Flower Mission Comrades for making possible the excellent report of 1909. I want to thank all who so kindly remembered me while I was sick, with letters, beautiful post cards and bouquets. I want to assure you each remembrance I received was a benediction to me. Now with grateful hearts for God's blessings upon Flower Mission activities in the past two years, let us look forward to the work of 1910 with new hopes and fresh courage, almost half the year has gone, let us begin now with a determination that the present year shall outrank all previous years. Dear sisters, let us do more and better work for the Master than ever before.

Recommendations for 1910:

More bouquets; more text cards; tree planting exercises by every local Union on Arbor Day; more flower mission meetings held by local Unions and in public institutions.

Preparations for the observance of June 9, Jennie Cassaday's birthday, by each local Flower Mission Superintendent.

Report blanks will be sent in August for the annual report. Keep records.

Tenderly yours,

VIOLA R. HARVEY,
State Superintendent.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE CALL TO PRAYER.

April 3 to 10, inclusive, will be observed as the World's Week of Prayer for a better observance of the holy Sabbath day. For thirty-two years societies in Europe and America have been trying to protect the Lord's day and are asking that God's people set aside one week in April as Lord's Day Week for special prayer.

In twelve or more states efforts have been made to legalize Sunday sports, mainly Sunday ball games, and they are planning to make this attack still more vigorous the coming year. Hence we appeal to all lovers of God and humanity to rally at once to the "help of the Lord against the mighty."

But first we must praise God for His gift of one day in seven to shut out ordinary work and

worldly pleasure and let Him have full possession of the inner life. Will each one prayerfully ask himself the following questions: 1. Do I appreciate the value of the Lord's Day to body, mind and soul, and so spend it that its cleansing and quickening power beautifies my home, social and business life, my relations to my employees or my employer and gives me power to put down evil in my community?

2. Do I realize the cruelty of driving many to Sunday toil in order to give others amusement on that day?

3. Am I doing all in my power to better Sabbath conditions in my own community?

Such careful self-examination will prepare for the effective prayer and labor.

Let us pray and labor especially that all christians may make the whole Sabbath a holy day of joy to young and old, and their homes free from Sunday newspapers and social functions.

That all employees may be secured a full rest day each week; and that the Christian forces of each community may federate for kind, persistent work to educate all to obey Sunday laws.

REV. T. T. MITCHELL, M. D.,
President International Federation of Sunday Rest Associations of America.

KATHRYN WERT HOLLER,
State Superintendent of Sabbath Observance Department.

HEALTH AND HEREDITY.

This is an important department and every American should be interested in it, and especially the "White Ribbon Army." I feel that every Union in the state should consider this work in some phase. Use it in your mothers' meetings if you feel you have not a competent superintendent now. But as soon as someone in your membership will please make it a specialty in your year's work. I would like for every county institute to give it a place on its program and emphasize how important good health is and no one can do their work right who is not well and strong. Parents, with vicious appetites unchecked, passions and diseased bodies, transmit to their children, frailty, a tendency to sickness and weakened will power.

I know the results in this line of work are slow, but it will pay in years to come and if you are in earnest that will not seem long.

It is difficult for a healthy person, with a strong will power to have full sympathy or pity for one whose appetite and passions control him, but "fiery liquors" and poisonous drugs that have been used for so long have made such inroads on the health of the nation that such people are common in this day. I will gladly help anyone who will write to me about the work. Success to all. Let us be about our Father's business.

MRS. ODESSA ROYLE,
State Superintendent.

431 West Howard street, Muncie.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Dear Superintendents:

Our call to prayer leaflets for 1910 are now published and can be had of our national superintendent, Mrs. V. F. Cox, Vienna, N. J., at 10c per 100.

I am sending a copy of the same to each superintendent whose name I have and wish very much that this call may have a very wide circulation this year. Have them printed in your daily and weekly papers, for the press is a mighty power. If you do not receive a copy you may know that I do not have your name.

I have had some Sabbath Observance post cards, with special scripture texts printed in colors that may be had at the rate of 5 cards for 6c or \$1 per 100, postage prepaid.

Yours for a better observance of the Sabbath,
KATHRYN WERT HOLLER,
State Superintendent.

South Bend.

WOMAN'S PROTEST.

In a mass meeting of Chicago women Dr. Anna Blout of Chicago was the first speaker. She said:

"Statistics show that seventy-five per cent. of all men patients have disease resulting from this traffic. Out of 2,000 patients, all in good society, a leading city physician reports fifty-five per cent. thus afflicted. Forty per cent. of miscarriages result from this. Fifty per cent. of so-called women's diseases have the same cause, for the reason that men infect their wives. It has become almost a question whether women dare marry at all. Under the 'professional code,' so-called, a man has the right to know his own disease, but a wife has not the right to know either her own disease or her husband's. Here is the cause of much sterility which is falsely called 'race suicide.' Divorce is granted for tuberculosis which is concealed—why not for concealment of this 'pague'?"

Dr. Emma Wixroni of Finland gave a beautiful picture of the innocence of that people, and told of the delusions under which they come to America. She pleaded for "homes" for unemployed Finnish girls.

Mrs. Stella C. Brubaker of Chicago said: "It is even claimed that our girls would not be safe were it not for the brothels. (Cries of 'shame!') We scorn the claim that this corruption is the savior of our daughters. If the Christian manhood were once aroused, men would be elected who would protect our daughters and make Chicago streets safe, as they are not now. This fight ramifies into the whole world, and it is the lasting shame of Chicago and her faithless officials."

A devoted missionary, formerly a white slave, was introduced and said:

"The drink is more effective than iron bars in keeping girls in this terrible life. After a period in Chicago, many girls are sent to the lumber camps. I have known brothers to sell their sisters into shame—and husbands their wives, and live upon them."

The Indianapolis South Side W. C. T. U. held a silver-medal contest, Feb. 11, at the Emmanuel Baptist Church. A large number was present who enjoyed the "twelve" temperance recitations given by the children. Several pieces of music were rendered by three young ladies, to vary the exercises.

The opening song by the choir was "Crush It Down."

Eight-year-old Eunice Thatcher won the prize. Three others were scarcely a point behind her.

The South Bend Pleasant View W. C. T. U. held their annual Frances Willard memorial service Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Mary Whitmore, 1422 Michigan avenue. After the business session, Mrs. Ralph Smith took charge of the program. Mrs. Alfred E. Beyer gave a very interesting paper on the life of Frances E. Willard. Her life was so Christ-like there is always something to be learned from those who study her biographies. Purity in literature and art was explained to the Union in different forms followed by a recitation by little Miss Margorie Hicks.

Contest colors were pinned on the ladies and a social hour followed in which refreshments were served by the hostess. A song and prayer closed the meeting.

Mrs. Charles Uhl, of VanBuren street, will entertain the Union March 9, at the close of the contest.

LaPorte Union, on Jan. 28, held a parlor meeting at the home of one of its new members, Mrs. William Robinson. There was a good attendance. Nice refreshments were served by the hostess. On Feb. 11 was held the Willard memorial services, Rev. Cole, of the Christian Church, gave an interesting address on the life of our departed sister. The vice president, Mrs. Ella Canary, who has just returned from Chicago, where she had been engaged in prohibition work, told how the temperance people were working there for the betterment of that wicked city. At the close of the exercises our president, Mrs. Fred Hanchet, invited us to a good luncheon. At the parlor meeting one new member was added to the White Ribbon Band.

Madison.—The liquor traffic in Madison and in Jefferson County will meet its deadly foe for many years in the organized forces of the Senior and Junior Loyal Temperance Legion.

The Madison Daily Democrat published the following report of one of the Senior meetings, sent in by their worthy press superintendent:

"Madison Senior L. T. L. met Tuesday night, Feb. 18, at its rooms on Mulberry street, and was attended by a very large crowd.

"The Gigarette-Smoking Boy" is the title of a little bulletin written and published by Prof. William A. McKeever, Manhattan, Kan. Price, 1 cent per copy.

Vincennes.—The home of Mrs. C. E. Asbury was filled with the W. C. T. U. ladies and friends Tuesday afternoon at the Mother's Meeting. The devotional was led by Mrs. Lillian Farrel, who told in her own impressive way many things in regard to mother love, mother's prayers and mother's tears; no one gets so far away or so low but these attributes of a mother follow them. She then read a part of that beautiful chapter of Proverbs, the 32d, beginning with the 10th verse. Mrs. John Tharp sang most effectively, "My Mother's White Ribbon." Rev. Wilhite was introduced and spoke of the great nation-wide influence of the W. C. T. U., also giving some clear prophecies of the near future. He also showed very clearly the existing conditions today in Kansas, his home state. The benefits of prohibition in their splendid improvements and low tax rate. He greatly inspired and encouraged the ladies who showed their appreciation by frequent applause, and at the close arose enmasse, giving the chauntauqua salute, thus thanking him for his splendid talk.

Matthews.—The monthly meeting of the Matthews W. C. T. U. was held at the home of Mrs. May Boyer on West Seventh street, with a good attendance.

An interesting business session was held and one new member gained, after which an interesting and instructive program was given on the following subjects: "Law of Indiana, with Reference to Giving Tobacco to Minors," Mrs. May Boyer; Round Table topic, "How Can We Best Fortify Our Boys Against the Tobacco Habit," discussion led by Mrs. Margaret Trissel; "The Cigarette at the Bar of Justice," Mrs. Allie Millhoen; "Is the Use of Tobacco Increasing Among Women?" Mrs. Lena Shaw.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Eunice Bartlett, on East Seventh street.

Hartsville.—A silver-medal contest was held in Hartsville, Ind., U. B. Church, New Year's eve. Five of our members took part. All did well. The audience greatly appreciated the effort. Mr. Markland, of Columbus, Ind., a winner of a grand gold medal in a recent contest, was one of the judges. The other two were Miss Mary Anderson, a teacher, and Miss Clara Westhafer, teacher of English in Taylor University. They awarded the medal to Mrs. Rebecca Craig. Rev. F. M. Westhafer, of the M. E. Church, entertained the audience by reciting selections from an "Evening With the

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Poets," while the judges were out. Special music also added to the pleasure of the gathering. It was a pleasant, profitable ending of the old year.

The Seymour slot machines and other gambling devices, which have been operated for several years, have been ordered stopped by the mayor.

Seymour has been a wide-open town and the better element of citizens are pleased with the action of the mayor.

Indianapolis Nickel Theaters are open on Sunday and give much money to charity.

The Cold Springs Union made several of the schools a Christmas present of a beautiful framed picture of Frances E. Willard at the Mulford School, taught by Miss Sadie Barkley, the picture was presented by Mrs. Flora Walker in the presence of a large number of the patrons of the school. The one to the Heaton School, taught picture of Frances E. Willard. At the Mulford by Mr. George Gilmore, was presented by Mrs. Della Williams, where there was also a number of the patrons present. At the Bossong School, taught by Miss Canfield, it was presented by Miss Emma Walker. All seemed to be greatly appreciated and we hope much good may be accomplished by the presence of the pictures.

Mathews W. C. T. U. held a regular business meeting at the home of Mrs. Allie Garretson, Friday, Jan. 14. The meeting was in charge of the president, Adeline Black. After a business session there was reading, a sketch from the life of Frances E. Willard, by Mrs. Black; Lena Shaw read a paper entitled "Our Boys;" Eunice Bartlett read very beautifully the poem, "Beautiful Snow;" Alice Garretson read a paper on "The White Slave Traffic," followed by an interesting discussion by the Union on the influence of a Christian home. One new member, Mrs. Fleda Williams, was received. Our Union has been organized but a short time, with only a few members, but all seem to be greatly interested in the work.

Father C. P. Baron, of Yorkville, Ind., has written a little booklet, "Catholics and Prohibition," which should be in the hands of every Catholic in Indiana before the question of constitutional prohibition comes to the final issue. No Union where there are Catholics in the community could do better work than to carefully place these booklets in their hands for reading. They are sold by Father Baron at cost, 5 cents each or \$3 per 100 copies.

CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

Send All Subscription, 25 cents per year, to the Crusader Monthly, Evanston, Ill., and ask that they be credited to Mrs. Ida Mix. We want Indiana to be on the honor roll. Subscriptions to The Union Signal, \$1 per year, address Evanston, Ill. Ask that subscriptions be credited to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, state superintendent.

Stuben County has just had the pleasure of a visit from Mrs. Mary Sibbitt, of Kansas. She spoke before every Union in the county, and made a visit to Orland. At every place she was well received and all speak in terms of highest praise of her lectures. Old Stuben has had a shaking up by "The Kansas Cyclone." She cleared \$8.10 for the county treasury.

At Ray, Mrs. Sibbitt spoke in the church in the afternoon and the teacher and his pupils were present as the School Board closed school for the occasion.

Mrs. Sibbitt would be welcome in Stuben should she again visit our state.

Mortgage Torn Up.—During the holidays the "Frances E. Willard" W. C. T. U., of Richmond, Ind., was made the recipient of a magnificent Christmas gift. The \$700 mortgage, on which the Union had for years paid a high rate of interest, was released and we have now a neat little sum accruing monthly from rental of tenement rooms, etc., in our Temple which will be used for benevolences, temperance and charity.

MRS. D. L. HOPKINS, Treasurer and Trustee "Frances E. Willard" W. C. T. U.

Miss Mary Sibbitt, of Kansas, gave her beautiful lecture, "The Davids of the New Century," at the First Christian Church, Huntington.

At the close of the lecture several gave their names for membership in the local Union of Huntington.

This brave worker and efficient speaker kindly consented to address the students of Central College, Ubee, Ind., in the evening. The students of the college, as well as the citizens of Ubee, were delighted with her talk and thirteen gave their names for membership.

Miss Laura Cammack, secretary of the Young People's Branch, has been notified of the result of this meeting and will come in the near future to effect an organization, at which time most, if not all the students will be identified with the Y. P. Branch of the W. C. T. U.

Arba Union met at the home of Mrs. Iso Brown. Mrs. Ida Parker was a very pleasant visitor and lead the devotional exercises. Roll call was answered by nine members. The following committee was appointed to select new song books: Iso Brown, Ona Thomas and Bertha Bowen. Because Fred Bowen, through the influence of the temperance Union, has been led to see the folly of the use of tobacco and has abandoned its use, he was made an honorary member of the Union for one year. A declamation by Allie Bowen, "Whose Boy," was very much appreciated by all and especially touched the hearts of mothers. Round-table topic on "What Does the Average Boy Demand of His Home," was ably discussed. Reading by Ona Thomas, "The Coming of the Prince of Peace," was good. The national convention re-

port was read from The Union Signal by Iso Bowen. After singing No. 52, "We're Coming, Dear Leader," we were dismissed by prayer.

Mr. Brown served all to some choice apples, and Miss Ruby Brown entertained us with splendid piano music, and all greatly enjoyed the afternoon.

Ray Brown also assisted in the hospitality of the home.

Newburg, Ind.—Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley gave her beautiful, stirring lecture, Jan. 27, at the Methodist Church in the afternoon and also a little talk to the school and at the Mission Hall in the evening, which were crowded with eager listeners, many of which said they never heard such a lecture before, never had they heard the liquor traffic so exposed and the great need of state-wide prohibition. Many signed the petition and twenty-one ladies gave their names as members of the W. C. T. U. We have the Model Program and are trying to carry it out as near as we can.

Oxford, Benton County.—The meeting for Jan. 21 was held at the home of Mrs. Amanda Smith, with a good attendance. The leader, Mrs. Adda Hawkins, had prepared an excellent program. A leaflet on "The White Slave Traffic" was read by Mrs. Petree. From the facts brought out in this paper it behooves every parent to instruct their sons and daughters on the necessity of purity in their lives and the dangers attendant on an impure life.

A paper on "Dress" by Mrs. Hawkins, and a talk by Mrs. May Graves on "Art and the Effect on Our Life of the Pictures We See and the Books We Read" were full of good suggestions.

The social hour which followed was made the occasion of a farewell for Mrs. Hattie Gillette. Mrs. Gillette has been the efficient and beloved president of our Union for the past three years, and has endeared herself to every member. Under her care the Union has continued to grow in membership and usefulness.

Rev. and Mrs. Gillette go to their new home in Montpelier, and we extend to them the kindest wishes of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union for success and happiness in their work there.

Refreshments were served by the hostess and a number of the ladies brought gifts for Mrs. Gillette as tokens of their appreciation.

LAURA B. EVANS,
Press Superintendent.

South Bend Pleasant View W. C. T. U. met with its president, Mrs. T. Vanbuskirk, 1502 Michigan avenue, Wednesday afternoon, with a good attendance considering the disappointments and changes on short notice. A membership contest was planned which will end March 9.

Mrs. Augustine gave a very interesting paper on "What does the Average Boy Demand of His Home." Child life was very ably discussed by a number of the Mothers' Club. Miss E. H. Hull read extracts from President Taft's Message, relating to the white slave traffic. Mrs. George Turner, 707 Sherman avenue, was present and gave a very interesting talk on medical temperance.

The indications are clear that if effective temperance work is to be done among the young it must be undertaken at an early age and continued beyond the span of youth.

Greensboro, Henry County, Union met the second Tuesday in January, at the home of Margaret Wood, the oldest member of our Union, being 85 years of age. She served refreshments of her own preparing and entertained us to the number of eighteen members. The devotional services were conducted by Mrs. Amanda Adams, a blind member of our Union who performs her duties as faithfully as any member of the Union. On Jan. 31, Greensboro was favored with a visit from Mrs. Sibbitt, of Kansas, who gave us a very rousing and instructive lecture, one that was appreciated so much that the president, Mrs. Allie Grey, asked her to stay another night. She consented and gave us something to remember long after she had left us. Mrs. Sibbitt is a great power for good, and has done much for Henry County, of which we are glad. Greensboro has a very live and interesting Union. We met with Mrs. Menerva Cook on Feb. 8. Devotional service was led by Mrs. Ann Harden. Very interesting papers were read by Mrs. Allie Hudson and Mrs. A. A. Grey. We were served to popcorn, candy and nuts by our hostess.

"Love" Union, of Grant County, is not idle. Not two years old yet, but working eighteen departments. During the winter season a number of "sewing bees" have been held and the poor and sick have been assisted. At these meetings there is always a devotional service and literary work done along the line of some department. About twice a year we have a reception for the husbands in the evening. Just now we have a series of Sunday afternoon services at the church planned. Last Sunday our L. T. L. had full charge and a splendid program was rendered. Next Sunday, Rev. Shannon will deliver one of his excellent talks to parents. The Lines Trio will furnish the music.

We are hoping that in numbers we will reach the hundred mark before the next convention.

The Oxford Union gave a demonstration meeting in the Christian Church, the evening of Nov. 30, 1909. We tried to make it as nearly like the state meeting as we could, but of course, we do not have all the departments. We have seventeen and all our superintendents gave something on the program, and our singing members sang

our W. C. T. U. songs and our program ended with a tableau on "Mothers' Meetings."

We had a good audience and our collection was liberal. We gave the entertainment free, but took an offering.

Many complimentary things were said about the demonstration and women who have not yet enlisted said they understood more than ever before what the W. C. T. U. stood for.

The Lebanon W. C. T. U. held a public meeting in the M. E. Church in memory of Frances E. Willard. It was a most interesting and impressive service.

Roll call was responded to with reference to some phase of Miss Willard's character or some of her many wise sayings.

Mrs. Jessie Coons read an excellent paper on the life of Miss Willard; Mrs. Adams, wife of the Baptist minister, gave a splendid talk on the life of this great woman as an inspiration to college girls. She spoke of her intense friendship, her real womanliness, her affection, her loyalty, her devotion to her life-work, giving herself entirely to the cause she espoused, one of her prayers for girls being "Lord help us to always be what in our best moments we desire to be."

Mrs. Addams, at one time in her native home, Birmingham, England, had the great pleasure of meeting Miss Willard and Lady Henry Somerset, and hearing them lecture. Mrs. Mary Haggens told in a very interesting way how we may perpetuate Miss Willard's influence. Mrs. Mary Hendricks gave a short sketch of her home life at Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill. The Rev. Dunlap of the First Christian Church was present and gave a short talk in which he said Miss Willard's whole life might be expressed in two words, "God, humanity." The program was interspersed with some good musical selections by the Misses Golding Grove, Emile Smith, Ruth Coombs and Mary Marvin.

Mrs. Jessie Coons and Mrs. Jesilene Woodard had charge of this service.

The Vanburen W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Mary A. Duckwalls, with a good attendance. Our meetings always have a good attendance. It matters not how bad the weather is. We have learned to love the cause and are doing all in our power to further the work. Meeting opened by the president, Mrs. L. L. Dimit; scripture lesson by Mrs. J. A. Sullivan, Hebrews, first chapter; prayer by Mrs. W. E. Murry; song. Business of the meeting was transacted. Several talks on "The Hadley Home." The meeting was given over to our leader, Mrs. P. S. Howard. The literary program followed. Paper by Mrs. Lytle, "A Tribute to the American Woman;" Mrs. Tony sang a very beautiful solo, "Some Mother's Boy;" Mrs. I. C. Mills read a very touching story, "The Shoemaker and the Little White Shoes." We feel and know that there are so many dear children in this beautiful land of ours that have been robbed of the comforts of life by the saloon, we want to banish this forever. Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Duckwall.

The Indianapolis Frances Willard W. C. T. U. last met at the home of Mrs. Geyer, 2917 North Capitol avenue. A large number were present to hear and participate in the memorial exercises of the Union's namesake. Mrs. McDermid, who had been appointed to give a sketch of her life, was followed by several others who had enjoyed knowing Miss Willard. Among them were Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Hathaway, Mrs. Noah, Mrs. McKee and others. The last mentioned lady told of Miss Willard putting her arms about her (Mrs. McKee's) three children and asking for a blessing on their lives. Mrs. McKee also sang the song, "Wear the White Ribbon," with beautiful intonation; Mrs. Noah giving the history of its origin. Mrs. Geyer's little grand-daughter also sang a song for the entertainment of the company, after which refreshments were served.

Our Promoted Comrades

MOORESVILLE.—Ruth H. Hadley, in her 80th year, received the welcome into the Glory Land of "Well done thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord." Some one has said, "who shall estimate the value of her years of fruitful service as president of the first Woman's Christian Temperance Union in Morgan County." To know her was to love her. The Mooreville W. C. T. U. extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy to "Uncle Miles," her aged companion, and her daughter, Mrs. Mina Farmer, who has so tenderly and devotedly cared for her aged parents in their last days.

As I read from month to month the list of our promoted comrades I am reminded of the words: "These all died in faith, not having received the promises but having seen them and greeted them from afar." The prayers, the faith, the works of the loyal, devoted women are recorded, and can we doubt that there is joy in Heaven, as they see the seed they sowed in tears, bearing fruit, and that so many have entered into their labors.

FRANCIS POTTER.

The Oxford W. C. T. U. has been called to mourn the loss of one of its most cherished members.

Mrs. Frank Talbot departed this life at the Home Hospital, in Lafayette, Jan. 13, 1910. Only such a short time before she had been in our midst, active and happy, the meeting of Dec. 3 having been held in her home, which always had an open door for the W. C. T. U. or any church society.

She has gone to that better home. We cannot call her back, but we shall miss her. She leaves a husband who has the sincere sympathy of our organization.

The funeral was held in the Presbyterian Church, of which she was a member, Jan. 16, 1910.

Rev. Johnson, of Fowler, conducted the service.

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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THE WATER WAGON

(The Water Wagon was sung at the Omaha National Convention Jubilee Night. A large picture of a water wagon occupied the rear of the stage in full view. The names of the different states can be substituted. It was sung to the tune, The Gospel Train.—Ed.)

The water wagon's coming
I hear it just at hand
I see its banners waving
As it rumbles through the land.

CHORUS.

Get on board, Miss Utah,
Get on board, Nebraska,
Get on board, Missouri,
There's room for many a more.

The water wagon's coming,
It's leaving in its train
The wreckage of the traffic
That fills the world with pain.

Maine, Kansas, North Dakota
Are making room for you;
The six white Southern Sisters
Are riding in full view.

The water wagon's ample,
'Twill hold us one and all;
We're bound for Prohibition
In this old carryall.

—Minnie B. Horning in the Crusader Monthly.

NEW YORK CITY SCHOOL CHILDREN.

In an address delivered in New York City Dr. T. Alexander MacNicholl, of wide reputation as a physician and scientist, said:

Year by year alcohol is making appalling and ever-growing ravages in the ranks of New York's public school children. The increased numbers of cases of St. Vitus' dance, epileptic seizures and other functional and organic disorders are directly attributable to the saloon.

Thirty-nine percent of the public school children today are drinkers.

The saloon already has done so much directly and through the effects of an alcoholic heredity to break the vitality of New York's school children that something must be done at once if the next generation is to be saved from degeneracy.

That is really the problem, and the great one before New York's people. What are they going to do to arrest the cumulative effect of the saloon upon the children?

In the study which is going on all over the country today the facts as to school children in New York are more to the point than of any other city in the country.

People simply have no conception of the state of affairs here. The saloon has been flourishing here practically unregulated for several generations, and we are now beginning to feel and realize a little of its effect.

The statement that 39 per cent of the school children of the city are drinkers appears sensational, but these are the facts, borne out in investigations in the schools conducted by myself and other physicians. The facts are true, and so glaring that it is hard to believe them.

Stop and consider the prominent place the saloon has occupied in the city for years, and the statement becomes believable.

The direct influence of the alcohol center is not the worst. When you remember that 66 per cent of the public school children have physical defects dragging them constitutionally below standard in studies it becomes a potent fact that 90 per cent of these children are the descendants of drinkers.

The city is notoriously a bad place for children to be reared. More than twice as many city children are below par mentally and physically as country children.

It is the saloon which is to blame for this. Unless this constant corrosive effect of alcohol on the nerve centers of the young is taken into consideration, there is no telling how great these effects may grow."

Philadelphia White Ribboners circulated 10,000 invitations to the meeting which was addressed by our beloved national president, Mrs. Stevens, and Miss Gordon, Feb. 17.

Liquor advertising in the newspapers is a subject of interest to The Message. Please send on a post card the name of the newspaper in your community that does not insert liquor advertisements. State whether daily or weekly. We desire to publish the list.

The White Slave Traffic is the subject of an editorial in the March number of Good Health Magazine that should be read by every W. C. T. U. woman.

McClures, for November, contains the report on the subject of an investigation of conditions in the United States, such as has been never before

made in the history of the world. This should be read by all parents and teachers.

It cost McClure \$10,000 to make the investigation necessary to secure the facts as given.

The New York City Board of Estimate recently granted District Attorney Whitman and the Special Grand Jury \$25,000 to defray expenses of further investigating the "White Slave" traffic in New York city.

Adolf Kraus, of Chicago, with other Jewish leaders, is conducting a systematic warfare on the "White Slave" traffic. Former Assistant City Attorney Clifford G. Roe, acting as general counsel for B'nai B'rith, a Jewish organization, the Commercial Club and other civic bodies, has launched a war against the traffic that will bring great results. United States Attorney Sims leads the power of the government forces in the investigations, also assists personally. For information as to results, write to these men.

The National Congress of Mothers has a department of Good Roads. It is stated by those who have given much time to investigation that 50 per cent of our nation's children never have more than four months' schooling a year and 10 per cent of those in the rural districts do not have any, all on account of "bad roads." It is reported that 139,000 children in Texas did not attend school last year on account of "bad roads." The women of many states are greatly stirred over the enforced ignorance of the children on account of "bad roads." Compulsory education laws are not, and can not be effective until roads are passable.

The National Congress of Mothers includes this first "good roads" work of women for the country children's welfare.

Women have a right to arouse public sentiment in favor of good roads on account of their children and on their own account.

A RAILROAD MAN'S PRAYER.

The following words were found posted up in the office of a railroad man in the state of Washington:

"Now that I have flagged Thee, lift up my feet from the rough road of life and place them on the train of salvation. Let me use the safety lamp of prudence, make all my couplings with the links of love; let my hand lamp be the bible; and keep all switches closed which lead off the main line into sidings with blind ends. Let every semaphore block along the way show the white light of hope, that I may make the journey in safety; and when I have finished my run on schedule time and pulled into the terminal, may Thou, Superintendent of the universe, say: 'Well done, good and faithful servant, come into the general office and sign the pay roll and receive your check for everlasting happiness.'"

Put this prayer into the hearts of all railroad men and there would be fewer lives sacrificed to carelessness and inebriety.—Exchange.

LORD'S DAY WEEK.

April 3-10, 1910, should be observed as Lord's Day Week. "If the Sabbath be destroyed, Christianity will perish."

Sunday baseball is legalized in 12 or more states—Indiana among them. The automobile takes thousands out of the cities and towns on the Sabbath. Empty pews in the churches on the Sabbath shows the low tide of spirituality prevailing all over our state.

Christian women have much to do in the home and social circle to counteract this condition. Work should be systematically planned to reach the children of the church membership and enlist their interest and help.

Local option elections are being held all over the country, thousands of towns and small cities will be added to the "dry" list.

A score of Michigan counties will hold an election in April.

California temperance folks are set for state-wide prohibition.

Indiana Anti-Saloon League has announced its intention to work for state-wide prohibition.

Preliminary announcements of the World's W. C. T. U. Convention, Glasgow, Scotland, June 4-11, 1910, note that the city of Glasgow will extend hearty hospitality to the delegates. A World's "Y" Summer School is to be held at Arden Connel House, Row, Gareloch, from June 11 to 18. All literature and periodicals for the literature exhibit, including photographs illustrating various phases of W. C. T. U. work should be sent to Miss Anderson, 10 Park Terrace, Glasgow, Scotland. Interesting news is summarized from England, Scotland, Ireland, France, Switzerland, Italy, India, Japan, Ceylon, Burma, Egypt, Palestine, Bulgaria, Australia, Cape Colony, New Zealand, and Chili. During a six months' engagement in Australia, Mrs. Catherine Lente Stevenson addressed 249 meetings.

POINTERS.

From Associated Prohibition Press.

The Supreme Court of Ohio has just decided that every seller of near-beer must pay the liquor high license tax of \$1,000, exactly as if they sold more strongly alcoholic beverages.

Nearly 10,000 delegates from every part of the South attended a recent conference of negro farmers and industrial workers at Inka, Miss., so the press dispatches say. Strong resolutions endorsing Prohibition were passed.

"The Manufacture of Denatured Alcohol," based on the operation of an experimental still at Washington, D. C., and a course of lectures delivered in connection therewith, by H. W. Wiley, chief of the Bureau of Chemistry, is a most valuable government document of 166 pages, just issued by the Department of Agriculture. The document describes the sources of alcohol, the preparations of materials used in its production, the operation of industrial stills; a description of denatured alcohol and denaturants, together with a number of special drawings illustrating the various stages of the process of manufacture. It may be secured from the Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. Price 20 cents.

Details of a remarkable establishment for the manufacture of alcohol from sawdust at St. Marcel, in Southern France, is given in the daily Consular and Trade Reports No. 3626. The process consists in exposing sawdust to sulphurous acid gas, whereby a chemical action is induced, which enables the alcohol to be generated and extracted without being mixed with or contaminated by the sulphur, as had always happened when sawdust was macerated in a solution of sulphuric acid under the old processes.

Two thousand, two hundred and four pounds of sawdust (one metric ton) yield 27.47 gallons of alcohol, 42 pounds of acetic acid, the residue or spent sawdust being pressed into briquettes and used as fuel. It is claimed that the process is very profitable. It is patented in both France and the United States.

A novel plea for the nomination of a young man's ticket by the coming Prohibition State Convention in Kansas was made in a recent issue of The Prohibitionist, by John A. Shields. "I believe the Prohibitionists ought to do a little skirmishing in the political battle of 1910, and that the young men ought to be very prominent in the fight," declared Mr. Shields. "I believe the young men should be recognized, and it should be generally known that the Prohibition Party, of all parties, is a young man's party."

Mr. Shields closes his plea by naming a number of aggressive Prohibitionists of the younger class and urges, especially, that a young man who is enterprising and a vote winner by nature should be selected for the nomination of Lieutenant Governor.

COCO-COLA AND SODA FOUNTAIN DRUGS.

Indiscriminately, the drugs of the soda fountains are used by persons of all ages.

Many drugs are used. These, if given at all, should be given under the direction of a physician.

Boys and girls, as well as men and women, call at a soda fountain and get as many doses of Coca-Cola or other poison-containing drugs as desired.

Dr. H. W. Wiley, of the U. S. Agricultural Department, and a chemist of world-wide fame, has said that a glass of Coca-Cola contains as much caffeine as a cup of coffee. Dr. Wiley says: "Parents who would not think of allowing their children to indulge in coffee, allow them to visit the soda fountain and help themselves to any of the perincious brain and nerve destroying concoctions which they find there."

One writer says: "Thousands of people have acquired the Coca-Cola habit, and drank anywhere from ten to thirty glasses of this disease-breeding mixture every day. The result is arteriosclerosis, or hardening of the arteries, one of the most deadly and incurable diseases. Indigestion, Bright's disease, disorders of the liver dropsy and other less grave disorders may be directly traced to the continued use of caffeine and allied poisons."

Just where you are in the conflict,
Stand in your might.
E'en tho' the struggle seem useless,
Desert not the right.
God placed you there for some purpose,
Whate'er it may be;
Rejoicing to thus be deemed worthy,
Stand loyally.

—Exchange.

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APRIL, 1910.

Mrs. Kathryn Wert Holler, state and associate national superintendent of Sabbath Observance, has issued some very appropriate department post cards. Send to her for samples. Her address is 749 Howard avenue South Bend, Ind.

June 9 is our National Flower Mission Day. Now is the time to lay plans and appoint committees for that day. This year June 9 comes on Thursday. Interview the officials of your public and private institutions and make definite arrangements now for the Union to hold services. Get up an appropriate, interesting program for each institution to be visited. On Saturday the boys and girls can assist—use as many of them as possible. To do this will necessitate the immediate appointment of reliable committees. Temperance songs by the boys and girls in some places will be greatly appreciated. Then, too, every boy and girl who "lends a hand" will become interested in the W. C. T. U. For the use of the committee for visiting the "shut-ins," white ribbon trimmed carriages or automobiles would provide a way for taking flowers and the boys and girls to sing beside the committee.

Pictures of Miss Jennie Casseday, with the story of her life, should be used freely on Flower Mission Day. These can be secured of Miss Ruby T. Gilbert, 137 Wabash avenue, Silversmith's Building, Chicago. The Union that begins now to arrange for Flower Mission Day, and persistently follows up all details, will not only do much good but will arouse an interest in W. C. T. U. work in its community. The newspaper men will be glad to use a cut of Miss Casseday and an account of her life, with a splendid write-up of all the visits made on Flower Mission Day, if the plans are a success.

Information concerning Miss Casseday, the cut, etc., must be furnished to the newspaper a week previous—then the write-up of "Flower Mission Day," by a friend or member of the Union must be handed to the newspaper people that same evening or next morning in accordance with arrangements made previously.

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The Message editor will greatly appreciate reports of all public or special W. C. T. U. meetings, especially if they are sent not later than a day or two afterward.

The editor very much desires to use the faces of the state superintendents, organizers, county and local presidents and others in The Message. In order to do this it is necessary to have a newspaper "cut" made from a good, plain photograph, at a cost of from \$1.15 to \$1.50, according to size, at the Expense of the person. The "cut," of course, would only be loaned for use in The Message and returned. If photographs and money are sent to the editor, she will gladly have the "cuts" made.

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The recent decision of the Supreme Court of New York, to the effect that all drug stores selling patent medicines containing a large percentage of alcohol must take out a saloon license is certainly a step forward. Peruna and some other nostrums will be relegated to the saloons where they belong.

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The Successful Institutes are those that have been well planned and well advertised. It takes three weeks of persistent effort, much work and much printers' ink usually, to advertise a meeting. Some meeting may be counted a success that had less time and effort used in advertising, but no doubt they would have been far better with a full three weeks' advertising.

Newspaper and bill poster advertising is used extensively by the great commercial enterprises. We cannot succeed and do less.

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At every temperance meeting the songs should be rousing temperance songs. No W. C. T. U. meeting should be held without the singing of two temperance songs. This is a duty.

The singing of "Some Glad Day," by our White Ribboners so frequently in some communities has been wonderfully educational. Do you know there are young folks today who begin to sing those words when they hear the old tune, "Old Black Joe," played by the band? That tells a story. Today there are many temperance songs set

to the old familiar airs and all aggressive local and county presidents will use them. The time is past when our work will progress without the singing of the sentiments. To have several hundred song cards printed would cost little money and every Union should have the songs.

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Indiana White Ribboners will serve the cause well if they will encourage and keep all newly-organized Unions, especially should the newly-organized Unions and colored L. T. L.'s be helped by personal encouragement.

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The Union Signal should be read by every family connected with the W. C. T. U. For general information concerning the temperance work among women, it is an absolute necessity. The number of women who are subscribers in Indiana is not what it should be. Your Unions will not thrive and do as aggressive, important and good work without the members read The Union Signal as they could and otherwise would do. Reader you smile and say "I know more to do now than I can possibly do." That may be true, but are you doing your best for your Union and for your community?

To be generally well informed it is absolutely necessary to keep pace with the world's work When you do this then you enlist the attention of educated, intelligent people. One such person might be able, if aroused to action, to greatly help your cause, because of his power and influence.

Indiana W. C. T. Unions rank in influence and power largely in accordance with their general intelligence upon the mighty temperance reform. To have intelligence upon this reform movement means far more than county or state conditions. It means a nation and world-wide view. To get this the W. C. T. U. woman must read The Union Signal. It is our paper. We as a national W. C. T. U. own and edit it. Price \$1 per year. Address The Union Signal, Evanston, Ill.

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NOTICE.

Please announce in The Message that the date of Hamilton County Institute is changed to April 26-27 on account of the illness of Miss Mary Woodward's mother.

Yours Sincerely,

ETTA W. PERCE.

Hortonville, Ind.

MEDICAL TEMPERANCE.

My Dear Superintendents:

I hope you have all done your work well and had a good rousing meeting in our department during the month of March. I have sent literature and plan of work to every county in the state that has a W. C. T. U. Great responsibility now rests with the county superintendents and county presidents. I hope you followed out my plan and supplied every Union in your county with the literature I sent you. Don't lay it aside, dear sisters, nor put it off until you have more time, but do it today. I know of one superintendent who received a package of plans of work from one of our state superintendents. She gave it to the baby to play with and he tore it up. I am thankful that was not in my department, however. These things are precious, dear sisters, and the State W. C. T. U. is depending on you to use it to the best advantage.

There is a new pamphlet out now by Prof. W. S. Hall, of Northwestern University Medical School, Chicago. Send to Mrs. M. M. Allen, Marcellus, N. Y., and place one of these in the hands of every physician in your county. The price is only 40c per 100. I know of nothing better to educate the women on the subject of patent medicine and giving drugs to children, than the entertainment, "A Lark at Nonatuck Hall and the Sick Baby," these can be had of Mrs. Allen. Begin now in preparation for your second July meeting. Send to Mrs. M. M. Allen for the tract, "What Are the Most Efficient Remedies for Shock, Syncope, or Temporary Exhaustion." The other tracts for that meeting I have already sent to the county superintendents, and if you have not received your share, write to your county superintendent. Where you have no county superintendent I have sent to the county president. Send to Mrs. Allen for some good leaflets to distribute at this meeting. A good one is "Beer drinking Injures Health," 30c per 100. Now, dear workers, don't neglect to keep a strict account of all you do so our reports may show up fine at our state convention.

Yours for service,

MRS. G. E. DENNY,

State Superintendent Medical Temperance.
601 North Jefferson street, Madison, Ind.

YOUNG PEOPLES' WORK.

Dear Sisters:

As you plan for the Institute in your county do not fail to appoint someone to present, discuss and arrange plans for the young people's work in your Local Unions over the county.

You cannot afford to neglect this important work of enlisting the young men and women in the great fight that we are making for a cleaner, safer, more moral and more sober country in which to live.

All time spent in this direction will be well invested and who can tell what the harvest will reveal. I am glad, indeed, for the many requests for literature and helps for this department, but

hope for many more.

I am trusting in the Institute Leaders to do and say much for the young people's cause. If any one of them has not received one of the Year Books, please notify me at once and one will be sent.

Yours anxious to serve,

MISS LAURA CAMMACK.

Converse, Ind.

RAILROAD DEPARTMENT.

National Railroad Men's Day, Sunday, March 6, was observed in Lafayette. At 10:30 a. m., Rev. L. S. Smith, pastor of St. Paul's M. E. Church, preached to railroad and shop men. At 7:30 p. m., Rev. O. R. McCay, pastor of the First Baptist Church, delivered a sermon to railroad and shop men. Both were exceedingly appropriate for the occasion. These were under the auspices of Central W. C. T. U. At 4 p. m. a railroad and shop men's meeting was held at the Monon Y. M. C. A., under the auspices of the Christolite W. C. T. U., of West Lafayette. An excellent program being given, consisting of temperance and sacred readings and music. Each man attending was presented with a beautiful red carnation. One pleasing feature was a temperance reading, given by one of our street-car conductors. There was a large attendance. After the close of the meeting a railroad man came to me and said he wanted to tell us that he was converted to God and temperance at one of the shop meetings held by Jennie Smith, in Illinois, in 1883 and he is still with the right.

MRS. R. P. COLE,

State Supt. R. R. Dept.

Lafayette, Ind.

SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

Dear Superintendents:

There are four things to which I wish to call your attention at this time. (1) I have just received a letter from our National Superintendent, Mrs. Edith Smith Davis, urging that the signed Teacher's Total Abstinence Cards be in her office not later than the first of May, as it will give you a little more time to work with them than if you sent them to me, you may send them directly to her at 561 Thirty-third street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, but keep account of them and report to me as per question 15, in the report blank. I hope all will attend to this as she cannot use any received later for she must get them ready for her demonstration at Glasgow, Scotland, at the World's Convention. We want our share in that glory. I hope you have been working faithfully with these cards, so that our share will at least not be the smallest.

(2) Mrs. Davis is publishing a quarterly, which promises to be very useful to us as superintendents as well as toteachers. Some time ago I sent her as complete a list of county and local superintendents as I could secure, and a list of the local presidents, so that a sample copy has been sent to every county and local in our state. I hope all superintendents of this department will become subscribers to this quarterly and work hard to get many of them into the hands of teachers.

(3) For the last two years I have had a number of calls for a leaflet on the "Origin of Scientific Temperance in the Public Schools." I was not able to find such a thing in the form of a leaflet. I have prepared one which I hope will meet the needs, and these may be had of me for 30c per 100.

(4) I am hearing good things from some of the counties and locals in regard to the Prize Essay Contest Work, and hope there are many who are pushing this line of the work. Remember the school year is drawing to a close when this part of the work is difficult to do, so let us work while it is yet today and send the prize essays to me by the last of June.

Yours for service,

MRS. ETHEL E. BAIR,

State Superintendent.

General Delivery, South Bend, Ind.

WORK AMONG COLORED PEOPLE.

(The following is a resume of the year's work done by our valiant and most efficient Mrs. M. A. McCurdy, state W. C. T. U. organizer among colored people.)

Knowledge gleaned, through house to house visitation preparatory for local-option election, has caused me to become more and more convinced that the liquor business is the most nefarious of any extent in our Republic. It is exceedingly worth while for us to labor assiduously for the complete annihilation of the traffic.

March 14, 1909, a few days previous to obeying a call to Muncie, Delaware County, I secured nine pledges for regular membership and two for honorary membership, in Corinthian Baptist Church in Indianapolis, organized a W. C. T. U., Mrs. Rev. Martin, president, 522 Spring street, Indianapolis, Ind. Then on to Muncie, where I found White Ribboners and other folk getting ready for the mighty battle of ballots. I spoke seven times on the all-absorbing question during my three weeks' stay in that county; tried to so convince the populace of Whately (a suburb of Muncie) that the liquor traffic was man's greatest foe; secured many promises from voters, that they would vote YES, this was done. So evidenced by the surprising majority in favor of no saloons on their option election day.

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April 19, secured 12 pledges; organized a W. C. T. U., Mrs. Lydia Thompson, president, address 1201 East Jackson street, Muncie, Ind.; also organized three L. T. L.'s, two in Muncie and one in Whitely, membership of not less than 60.

April 20, hastened to Madison, Jefferson County, where the dear Temperance Women needed help to get ready for battle, fierce it proved to be, but victory was ours through Christ. While there I lectured four times, helped to change the minds of several voters.

May 1, secured nine pledges (four honorary) organized a W. C. T. U. with Mrs. Letitia Taylor, president, address 417 West Fifth street, Madison, Ind.

April 24, held L. T. L. meeting in M. E. Church (colored); organized an L. T. L., 18 pledged members. From Madison I went to Indianapolis, secured needed rest, then went to Anderson.

May 15, labored in keeping with the hour, to secure the interest necessary among my people to insure co-operation on Election Day. Such was done, and "No Saloon" ballots were in the majority on May 26.

May 22, I obeyed a call to New Albany, Floyd County; labored as never before against the enemy entrenched behind fearful excuses; witnessed doings at the polls which plainly said "rum will rule in these parts."

From that point I labored in Clark County; found conditions the same as those in Floyd County. Fraud! Fraud! When will it cease to be practiced in this land of the free and home of (shall I say) brave?

June 9, after the election in Jeffersonville, I left for home, rested a little, then on to Bedford, subject to a call from White Ribbon Sisters of Lawrence County. Did some speaking; revived the work among my people.

July 4, secured 15 pledges among children; organized an L. T. L., with Mrs. Ora Wynne, secretary, address 1305 Ninth street, Bedford, Ind.

July 6, went to Mitchel; made house to house visits.

July 7, held mass meeting; secured 15 pledges; organized a W. C. T. U., with Mrs. Rosa Voundtree as president, address Mitchel, Ind. Then on to Columbus, from thence home and on July 18 addressed a mission Sunday school in Riverdale, Richmond, Ind.; pledged 15 children; organized an L. T. L., with your servant as secretary, assisted by Mrs. M. E. Thomas, address 1400 North F street, Riverdale, Richmond, Ind., and in that way we are striving to promote the cause for God, home and native land.

March 10, 1910—Believing that it would prove interesting to all co-laborers to know that something continues to be done for the promotion of the cause we love. It gives me pleasure to say that since our last convention, I have perfected four organizations, viz: A W. C. T. U. at Lafayette, with eight charter members and nine honoraries, president, Mrs. Carrie Willis, address 1436 Kosuth street; corresponding secretary, Mrs. M. C. Elve, corner Sixteenth and Hartford streets; recording secretary, Mrs. Mary Hill, 1427 Tippecanoe street; treasurer, Mrs. M. Johnson, R. R. No. 9. At Princeton I organized a W. C. T. U. with 43 charter members and five honoraries; president, Mrs. S. L. Jackson, 721 East State street; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Stella Paxton, Princeton; treasurer, Mrs. Harriet Tucker, North Prince street, Princeton, Ind. Also at Princeton I organized a Y. P. Branch, 20 members, and an L. T. L., with 50 members.

Hope soon to do more throughout the state.

M. A. McCURDY,

State W. C. T. U. organizer among colored people.
225 South Tenth street, Richmond, Ind.

Field News

Warwick County.—The W. C. T. U. of Boonville is not dead, nor is it asleep. We are doing some good work. While we feel that our work does not look very "big" sometimes, still we know our influence is felt in the community. We had Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley with us a few weeks ago, and she gave us some good talks, which was an inspiration to us and renewed our zeal for the work. We observed Miss Willard's Heavenly birthday with an appropriate program. We hope to take up some of the department work soon. A superintendent for the Mothers' Department has already been appointed.

Bedford W. C. T. U. held a Frances Willard memorial service in the parlors of the First Presbyterian Church. An impressive Bible lesson was given by Mrs. Charles Norton, from the 91st Psalm. A very interesting talk on "February Birthdays" was given by Rev. E. E. Valentine, pastor of the First Baptist Church; Mrs. T. Rainbolt spoke on "Principles and Precepts of Miss Willard." So many of the experiences of Miss Willard's life was told in beautiful words and expressions in this short talk. "How We May Perpetuate Miss Willard's Influence," was the subject of Rev. H. A. Denton, pastor of the First Christian Church. His talk was instructive and helpful. A beautiful vocal solo, given by Miss Byrl Foster, ended the program. The meeting was lead by Mrs. A. J. McDonald. A large crowd attended and a very enjoyable afternoon was spent.

The Millgrove W. C. T. U. met at the home of our vice president, Mrs. Bessie Robbins. Rev. Abigail Winslow lead the devotionals. After the business, Mrs. Barley's reading, "An Empty Wagon," was good. Our county president, Mrs. Stahl, gave a very interesting address. Miss Bogue sang, beautifully, "My Mother's White Ribbon." Miss Robbins gave a fine reading and Mrs. Sample and Mrs. Robbins sang a song. After the meeting, refreshments were served.

Goshen W. C. T. U. Winter Picnic.

It was a noble band of temperance workers, 120 strong, that gathered at the home of Mrs. D. M. Bowser to enjoy our "winter picnic" and they came early and remained late. Elkhart Union was well represented. The home was gaily decorated with pennants, bunting, flags, mottoes and portraits of our departed leader, Frances E. Willard. After greetings by our local president, Mrs. Emma Garver, scripture reading and prayer was followed by an address of welcome by Mrs. A. Z. Vall and responded to by Mrs. Wert, county president. Mrs. Brown and Miss Ada Miller gave fine readings; an address by Rev. S. K. Staudt, who took for his theme: "The Temperance Tidal Wave." This program was followed by a social time. A bounteous dinner was served. The afternoon program began at 2 p. m. Mrs. B. F. Hammond and Miss Grace Smith gave readings. The first address was made by E. A. Starbuck, who took for his subject, "What Next." Rev. Roberts made the second address, his subject being the "White Ribbon." Following this, the president announced the round table. At least a dozen took part in the discussion. The affair will do much to bring new enthusiasm into the Local W. C. T. U. Five new members were added to our number, with the promise of others. The program was exceptionally fine and much enthusiasm prevailed.

The Rockport W. C. T. U. is in a flourishing condition. There are now 58 members, four of whom are honorary members. We have been greatly benefitted by the recent visit of Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, with her wonderful logic and magnetism. The Junior L. T. L. numbers 20 boys, who are particularly interested in anti-cigarette work.

The Bridgeport Union held its March meeting at the home of Mrs. Edythe Brandt, with a good number of our members present. We were delighted to have with us Mrs. Lizzie Heath, of Indianapolis, our county delegate to the Oklahoma convention, and the time was given her to report. The entire report was splendid, and was given in such an interesting and practical way that we could almost imagine we had had a glimpse into the great convention itself, and we felt enthusiasm stir within us for the great cause of the White Ribbon; we are sure it will be a lasting good to us. After adjournment our hostess served refreshments, and a very pleasant social hour was spent.

Wells County W. C. T. U. is somewhat disorganized because of the resignation of our beloved county president, Mrs. E. A. Willis.

Our county institute will be held some time in April. This late date is made necessary on account of the session of M. E. Conference which will be held in Bluffton the first week in April.

Mrs. Theodore Ellingham is acting president until the meeting of Institute. Wells County has just finished a local-option fight, in which the "drys" won by a large majority. In this the local Unions helped all they could.

Poseyville W. C. T. U. held the annual Frances E. Willard memorial service at the home of Mrs. Emma Fletchall, Feb. 24. Reading and talks were given on the beautiful life of Frances E. Willard. Services led by Mrs. Law Rogers, president.

Laporte Union held a Mothers' Meeting on Feb. 25, an interesting program was given. At the close Mesdames Canary and Titus served refreshments. One new member was added. On March 11 a business meeting was held with a good attendance. Mrs. William Robinson served refreshments. Feb. 18 was also a business meeting. At this time \$5 was voted to Hadley Home, \$2 for memorial fund and \$1.50 as organization fund. The secretary, Mrs. Tease, served oranges and bananas.

The Morgantown W. C. T. U. held a public meeting in the M. E. Church, Feb. 25, in memory of Frances E. Willard. Owing to the bad weather on Feb. 17, the meeting was postponed. The L. T. L. furnished most of the program. The professor of the High School, gave a very interesting talk on the W. C. T. U. work. A collection was taken in honor of Frances E. Willard for organization. One new member was added to our roll, which was the High School professor's wife. Several interesting talks were given by members on the life of Miss Willard.

We have added the Mothers' Department to our Union this year. We are planning to have work done along this very important line.

The Van Buren W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. P. S. Howards, with about 35 ladies present. Mesdames Anna Stockhouse, Agnes Howard and Allie Mathes being hostesses for the day. The meeting was opened by our leader, Mrs. E. Anderson. Prayer, by Mrs. A. Wilson; subject for the day, "Narcotics;" a paper was read by Mrs. James Atwell, on "The Opium Traffic in China;" paper by Mrs. J. Stockton, on "Men and Tobacco;" another by Mrs. Lillie Kirkpatrick, entitled "Slaughter of the Innocent by Using Sooth-

ing Syrups, Patent Medicine, Etc." We then had a general discussion on narcotics, which was very profitable. The Union is strong in Van Buren, and is not only fighting the whisky traffic, but other evils as well. The cigarette habit is a great evil, and ruining hundreds of our young men today. The opium habit is a great curse not be overlooked, 1,000,000,000 Chinamen are victims of the drug. Light refreshments were served by the hostess.

The Syracuse Union was greatly aroused by Miss Mary Sibbitt, of Kansas. Recently representatives of the Union met with the Town Board. We are expecting good reports of the work done by this Union at our state convention in October.

The Indianapolis North East Union held an interesting meeting with Mrs. Bresette, 1638 North Arsenal avenue, on Feb. 25. "Anti-Narcotics" was the subject ably handled by Mrs. J. N. Lambert. Mrs. Noah spoke of her franchise work, which was very interesting. Superintendents were appointed for the departments of Anti-Narcotics and Franchise, and the work as outlined for the county and state will be followed. A Martha Washington tea, given in honor of our elderly ladies, was much enjoyed. There were eight present, three of whom had been "crusaders."

The Indianapolis Frances Willard Union met with Mrs. Perrino, 1644 Hall Place. A large number were present. Mrs. Artman, county president, gave a beautiful address on the work in general and franchise in particular. Mrs. L. E. Scott gave a brief account of her jail and prison work. Mrs. Peter McDermid gave some account of the promising South Side Union. She also read a letter that was to be sent to Mayor Shank, in the name of the Union, in appreciation of what he is trying to do with the laws as he finds them. Mrs. Kemp gave a short parliamentary drill. Mrs. Daugherty had a good Flower Mission report. One out of town visitor, Mrs. Croxson, from Little Rock, Ark.; two ladies from South Side Union, Mrs. Pryor and Mrs. Burton, were present.

The Syracuse, Kosciusko County W. C. T. U. held a memorial service in honor to Frances Willard, at the Evangelical Church, Feb. 16, which was well attended. Good interest and new members added to the Union. Rev. Johnson, of the Church of God, gave a beneficial talk along the line of temperance work, and was followed by Rev. Weaver, of the M. E. Church, who spoke about the life of Frances Willard and what great good was coming to the American people from her life of consecration to the temperance work. This was followed by J. T. Riddle and Jacob Kilgore, who are earnest workers and are always ready to assist the W. C. T. U. sisters. A very helpful talk was given by the president, Mrs. Josephine Wood, who is an untiring worker. Miss Courtland sang a beautiful solo and Miss Anna Bently gave an appropriate recitation.

This enthusiastic meeting was followed by a very much appreciated lecture by Miss Mary Sibbitt, of Kansas, on Feb. 18, and our Union has been much enthused by these meetings and fourteen new members added.

The South Bend Frances Willard W. C. T. U. met Feb. 9, at the home of Mrs. J. W. Snoke, 118 East Keasey street, with nearly all the active workers present. This Union formerly held its meetings twice each month, but at our last yearly business meeting it was decided to hold but one session each month, hoping thereby to increase the interest and attendance. This last meeting was full of interest and well attended. After the devotional and business part of the meeting, a brief program was given, which was followed by a parliamentary drill, each member participating with a great deal of pleasure. An old worker in the ranks of the W. C. T. U., whose home is in Chicago, was with us and gave us a talk on the work in her city and also in Kansas, where she had also been an active worker. Her remarks and suggestions were quite helpful.

The Brazil Woman's Christian Temperance Union met at the home of Mrs. Ella Keith, on Tuesday afternoon, to commemorate the heavenly birthday of our beloved leader, Frances E. Willard. Our president gave us the Bible lesson and Mrs. Mary Krider offered an earnest prayer for the work. Many beautiful and touching phases of the character of Miss Willard were spoken of in response to roll call. Mrs. Anna Wilkins then gave an account of the statue placed in Statuary Hall in our Capital City. A most impressive solo was sung by Mrs. Robson, followed by an excellent paper, "How We May Perpetuate the Influence of Miss Willard," by Mrs. Cora Stober. Miss Myrtle Coughanour rendered a beautiful piano solo. Last, but not least, one of our dearly beloved charter members gave a fine paper on "The Temple," our memorial building at Chicago, of which we are proud to state our Union holds a part. Splendid refreshments were served.

St. Joseph County Institute was held March 14 and 15. Monday evening, March 14, Mrs. Rose Pearce, institute leader, gave an address at River Park in the M. E. Church. The male quartette of the church furnished excellent music. The sessions of the Institute were held at the First M. E. Church of South Bend.

The principal paper of the forenoon session was by Mrs. Ralph Smith on "Child Labor." It proved so full of live interest that an animated discussion of the subject followed. An arousing paper by Mrs. George R. Turner on "The White Slave Trade" was read in the afternoon and created

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intense interest. Miss Briston told of the Y. M. C. A.'s investigations locally and of the active interest of that organization. A visiting White Ribboner from Chicago assured us the unbelievable was true and warned us that girls are brought into these slave houses more from smaller cities and towns than from the large city and Indiana women should be awake to the danger. Other papers of the afternoon were on "Child Training," by Mrs. C. C. Beyrer, and "Our Organization and Why We Belong," by Katherine Wert Holler, both very instructive and inspiring papers which would have brought out profitable discussions had time permitted.

At the evening session excellent music was furnished by the carefully trained chorus of young people from the Westminster Presbyterian Church under Mrs. Phena Rodgers. Rev. George Hicks, of the Anti-Saloon League, spoke very optimistically of legislative prospects, and Rev. Henry L. Davis, of the First M. E. Church, gave a forceful address on "Scientific Temperance and Its Teaching in the Public Schools," and its great importance to the civic state in rearing and training citizens.

Goshen W. C. T. U. Silver Medal Contest, held at the First Brethren Church, was a success in every way. The contestants delivered their speeches with telling effect. The music was exceptionally fine throughout the evening. A solo was given by Miss Cleo Myers, also by Miss Hildah Hammond; piano solo by Gerald Wysong, also on violin; piano solo by Arthur Parker; the Goshen College Quartette furnished fine music; a duet by the little people; Miss Arlowine Forney and Master Carl Wysong captured the audience with the song, "Jesus Wants Me for a Sunbeam;" Mrs. Brown gave a reading while the judges decided, they were Prof. Byer, of Goshen College; Mrs. Wheeler Kercher, and Prof. Weaver, superintendent of schools. The medal was awarded to Miss Grace Smith. Mrs. C. K. Staudt presented the medal and addressed the class in eloquent terms—it was an address long to be remembered.

The W. C. T. U. of Bright held a meeting in the form of a contest in the Presbyterian Church, Feb. 20. The contestants were Mrs. Tillie Henshell and son Charles, and Mrs. Maggie Gibson, Mrs. Flora Sykes, Mrs. Mary Lynas, Mrs. Emma Sufferman. No medal was given. A silver offering was taken for the Frances Willard memorial fund.

The Roll W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Gertie Helmet. The meeting was opened by the president, Mrs. E. Likely; scripture lesson prayer, by Mrs. R. Ittel; business of the meeting was transacted; roll call was responded to with quotations from Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens. The meeting was given over to the leader, Mrs. S. Harrold. The literary program followed—Paper by Mrs. M. Kelley, Mrs. M. Alexander and Mrs. S. Adams; Mrs. Likely gave a short talk on "How May Our Literature Department Be Made More Effective?" Recitation by Miss Ivel and Dessa Guiler. The attendance and interest was good and one member was welcomed into the Union.

The Perkinsville W. C. T. U. met with the school Friday afternoon, Feb. 25, in a very pleasant and profitable meeting, in memory of Frances E. Willard. A very interesting program was rendered, consisting of sketches of the life and works of Miss Willard, interspersed with songs by pupils. A beautiful portrait of Miss Willard was presented to the school. Also a meeting was held March 1, in honor of the birthday of Mrs. L. N. Stevens. A sketch of her life was read by members of the Union. A solicitation was also made for The Union Signal.

The Williamsport Union held a public Willard memorial service on the afternoon of Feb. 20. A good program was rendered in which all the churches took part. Pastors of the Presbyterian and the Methodist churches were present and each gave an interesting talk. Our president, Mrs. E. A. Biggs, presided and a liberal collection was taken. Our Union is growing in interest and in numbers, and we hope to do some work that counts before the end of the year.

Oxford, Benton County.—The Willard memorial service, held in the M. E. Church, Sunday evening, Feb. 6, was greeted by a large and appreciative audience. The church was prettily decorated with flowers, and the seats reserved for the members were designated by large white bows, and the younger ladies of the Union, who acted as ushers, wore white bows. Mrs. Hallie Morce, the president, presided and made the welcome address. The children recited the 23d Psalm and sang an appropriate selection. Mrs. May Graves read a sketch of the life of Miss Willard, and Mrs. May Wann told of the uses of the memorial fund. Rev. standforth, of the M. E. Church, made an address, urging help and co-operation with this movement. The Methodist Choir gave us excellent music, Mrs. Johnson's solo being very tender and beautiful. A good collection was taken.

The Literature Department of this Union, under the auspices of Mrs. Belle Benedict, held a very interesting meeting at the home of Mrs. Alma Tharp, last Friday afternoon. Mrs. Laura Evans read a paper on "How Our Literature Department May Be Made More Effective." Mrs. Petree gave a good talk on how we may keep in touch with the things that are being done in Washington through the letters published every week in our national paper. Mrs. May Wann read a story from the Mothers' Department. Several

new subscriptions were secured for the Union Signal. The Union will give an old-fashioned entertainment some time in April.

The Lafayette Union held a Frances Willard memorial service at the home of Mrs. H. H. Moore, 308 Waldron street, West Lafayette. The program was as follows: Devotional, Mrs. John E. Chamberlin; answer to roll call, quotations from Miss Frances Willard's writings; paper, "What Miss Willard Did to Unite the North and the South," Mrs. Moore; Anti-Cigarette Law of Indiana, by Superintendent of Anti-Narcotics, Miss Meta Taylor; memorial thank offering; several solos were rendered by Mrs. George Jamison. There was a large attendance and refreshments were served.

The Central Union held its memorial service Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 16, at the home of Mrs. George B. King, on Heath street. The program was as follows: Devotional, Mrs. Gildersleeve; roll call, responded to by scripture quotations from each member; piano trio, Misses Cleone Brown, Helen Downin and Helen Cannon; vocal solo, Miss Zoia Wood; paper, "The Life of Frances E. Willard," Mrs. L. S. Smith; vocal solo, Miss Naomi Jester; paper, "On Memory's Canvas," Mrs. Conn; Vocal duet, Misses Bright Cole and Edith Stoney; memorial thank offering; piano solo, Miss Cleone Brown. There was a good attendance of interested ladies. After the program a social hour followed. Ice cream and cake was served by the hostess.

The Frances Willard Union held a memorial service on Thursday evening, at the Congress Street M. E. Church, with a good program: Organ voluntary, Mrs. W. R. McCarty; hymn; scripture reading, L. T. L.; opening address by the president; vocal solo, Miss Alma Shively; biographical sketch of Miss Willard, Mrs. Bull; hymn; "Frances Willard's Influence on Young People of Today," Rev. A. L. Miller; recitation, Lois Jackman; vocal duet, the Misses Jester; paper, Mrs. L. S. Smith; remarks on Frances Willard Fund, Mrs. R. P. Cole; an offering was received.

The December meeting for Central Union was very interesting, being held at the home of Mrs. John Priest, on Main street. Mrs. Seney led the devotional and after a very interesting business session a short program was rendered under the supervision of Mrs. R. P. Cole. The committee for Flower Mission work under the leadership of Mrs. Seney, reported three baskets of food given to worthy poor for Christmas, and was greatly appreciated by the recipients. Many garments and delicacies of various kinds have been given out by this Union during the first six months of the year.

Lafayette Union met at the home of Mrs. I. S. Wade, Fourteenth street, Friday afternoon, March 4, with a goodly number present, and much interest was manifested. A feature of the meeting was the closing of a contest, under the leadership of Mrs. Fred Williams and Mrs. Shook, a prize having been offered by the president to the one securing the largest attendance through her efforts. The prize was given to Mrs. Williams who was a beautiful W. C. T. U. pin. Another contest was entered into, the Union being equally divided under the leadership of two captains, Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Green, a prize to be given to the one securing the most new members, also one to the lady securing the largest attendance. After the business was transacted a social hour followed, and dainty refreshments were served.

The County Executive held its regular monthly business session at the home of Mrs. Jennie Conn, Feb. 18. Various topics were discussed and plans made for the Spring Institute, which will be held in April. Mrs. Peterson, of West Point, presided at the new Union recently organized there, was present and we tried to encourage her all we could, although she feels a little fearful of maintaining a Union there. Tag Day was discussed by the members and it was decided as best not to take it up in this city as there is one Tag Day here set apart by our Industrial School.

Moore's Hill Union held a very interesting Willard memorial service on the evening of Feb. 26. Papers on Mrs. Willard's influence on College girls and "How May Her Influence Be Perpetuated Among the Young," were read and an address on the Willard statue in the Hall of Fame. These were the principal topics of the meeting. The music was exceptionally good, and the offering, generous. There was a fair sized and very appreciative audience, and we feel that much good was accomplished. **MRS. A. E. RYNERSON.**

A Gold Medal Contest will be held April 2, Mooresville. This will be under the auspices of the Boston Union.

Allen County.—The Unions in this county are holding some very good meetings. The Frances Willard memorial meetings were very interesting and the offerings were sent to the Memorial Fund.

The Rest Room in the Court House (Ft. Wayne) has been secured. For this we feel we owe much to the unceasing efforts of our county president, Mrs. Ridenour, and her co-workers of that city, who have worked so well and successfully for this much-needed room.

The W. C. T. U. ladies of the city are now working to get the liquor advertisements out of the city directories and telephone books, and because they seem to know no such word as fail-

ure we feel confident of their success in this effort. Surely this should, in justice, be granted.

Mooresville W. C. T. U. entertained, recently, at the beautiful home of Mrs. T. E. Lawrence, in honor of the teachers of the Mooresville schools the ministers, physicians and the editor of the Mooresville Times. The house was profusely decorated with potted plants, cut flowers and a unique use of white crepe paper and roses with large bows of white, the emblem of purity predominating. The program for the evening was in charge of the president, Mrs. Grant Stalling. "The Red Niagara" was the subject of a fine reading by Miss Gladys Stalling. The address of the evening was given by Mrs. Vayhinger, state president of the W. C. T. U., subject: "The Relation of the Public Schools to the Temperance Reform." The address was interesting and inspiring, and profound interest was manifested by all present. The most touching and beautiful part of the program was given by Mrs. Sadie Day, when she presented to the High School, through Prof. Payne, a beautiful framed picture of Frances E. Willard, with the book of her life. Mrs. Day's presentation speech was certainly sublime. She said in part: "Prof. Payne, in behalf of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, I present to the High School, of which you have charge, the picture of our beloved leader, Frances E. Willard, and as your pupils go in and out and gaze on her calm, sweet face, her benign and noble expression of countenance, they will want to know something of her beautiful character. So we present to you the book of her life, and being the Godly man we know you to be, we feel sure you will impress upon your pupils the value of a knowledge of the grand life she has given to the world. In the truest sense, hers was a life lived for the interests of others, with love flowing from a great, warm, tender heart, she sent forth a message of sweetness and light to help elevate the race to sobriety and purity, which was as incense of a sweet prayer, a charming melody, whose influence upon the oppressed was as the warm and gentle sun rays to lifeless nature. Underneath the frayed and tattered garments of broken and sinful humanity, she ever saw the hidden possible Christ. May the mantle of her pure consecrated life fall upon the youth of our community and weave the mystic thread from heart to heart, until each one will form a new link in the lengthening chain of love and loyalty that holds humanity to God. And may her memory be highly cherished by all who love the truth.

This was responded to by Prof. Payne in his usual eloquent manner. After the program the guests were seated with place cards at 15 small tables and were served with a dainty luncheon of brick ice cream, cake and coffee. Mrs. Vayhinger, toast mistress, was responded to by Mr. H. C. Searce, a member of the school board, his subject, "Miss Willard's Life an Inspiration to the College Girl," and Miss Newman, a teacher, with "How Is Scientific Temperance Taught in Our Schools." Four new members were added to the society.

On Sunday morning the M. E. Church was filled to overflowing, when Mrs. Vayhinger delivered one of the most practical and interesting sermons ever listened to in Mooresville. And her address in the afternoon held the people spellbound, while her earnest appeals for patriots to defend our children and our homes by putting good men in the Legislature, touched every heart. At the close of this meeting nine new members, making 13 in all, donned the white ribbon, to help in the battle for "God and Home and Every Land." Mrs. Vayhinger's coming to Mooresville has certainly been an inspiration to all who listened to her, and will doubtless prove a lasting benediction to the community.

THE CIGARETTE-SMOKING BOY.

(Home Training Bulletin, No. 1) by William A. McKeever, professor of philosophy in the Kansas State Agricultural College, is the title of an illustrated pamphlet of twelve pages containing most convincing experiments against the cigarette observations by physicians and specialists, statements from eminent teachers, who are authority on the subjects upon which they speak.

This brochure would not only be ammunition in the hands of the temperance worker but might prove an eye-opener to some young men who are becoming addicted to the use of the weed. Prof. McKeever says "Now, if you will urge your readers to order this bulletin in quantities from me at one cent per copy, prepaid, which just about covers cost, I will use all the money received for printing more." Prof. McKeever's address is Manhattan, Kan.

Our Promoted Comrades

PERU—On Jan. 21, death claimed a dear sister of this Union, Amelia B. Ward. Most of her life was spent in this city. On Nov. 15, 1867, she was married to Dr. J. O. Ward, who, with a son and daughter, mourn her departure. Converted at an early age, a devoted Christian, she has from early life been identified with the temperance cause. A faithful worker in the W. C. T. U. and all lines of temperance work. Although in poor health, the past two years she did not give up her evangelistic work in the Union or her Church until a few days before the Master called her home. We sadly miss her, but our loss is her gain.

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.—Proverbs, 110-15.

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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White Slave Traffic—One thousand persons in Indiana, who read these lines, are urged by The Message editor to send a post card request to Hon. W. P. Dillingham, Washington, D. C., for a copy of "The Report of the Investigation Commission to Congress on the Importation and Harboring of Women for Immoral Purposes, Senate Document No. 196." This report of the wonderful investigation made by the Immigration Commission will be sent free on request. Our white ribbon women must be informed.

The American saloon as an institution, and the excessive use of alcoholic drink consequent upon its presence, are responsible for 25 per cent of the insanity, 33 per cent of the poverty, pauperism, and dependency, and 50 per cent of all the crime in this country, together with the countless wrongs to childhood.—Ex-Governor J. Frank Hanley of Indiana.

Iceland, about the size of Indiana, has no jail, no penitentiary; there is no court and only one policeman. Not a drop of alcoholic liquor is made on the island, and its 78,000 people are total abstainers, since they will not permit any liquor to be imported.

There is not an illiterate person on the island, not a child ten years old unable to read, the system of public schools being practically perfect.—Crusader Monthly.

President Taft's decision as to the labeling of whisky, departing from the former opinions of President Roosevelt, Attorney General Bonaparte, and the findings of Federal Judges Robb, Thompson and Humphry, is meeting with keen dissatisfaction on the part of the friends of the pure food law, who fear it may prove the entering wedge to a return of the evils of adulteration. Very strong resolutions condemning his decision have been passed by the National Consumers' League.

"A friend of mine," said Hon. J. G. Wooley, "was taken with pneumonia. He was a splendid specimen of physical manhood, forty-six inches chest measure, and set up like a Greek god. To the amazement of his friends he died in the first onslaught of the disease. The comment of the doctor was, 'You can't bank on a fine physique when pneumonia grips a drinker. When life and death meet in a tug of war, drink takes the graveyard end of the rope.'"

Parents' parliament has been a very attractive and interesting feature of Thousand Island Park. Why not have such a parliament at all the assembly meetings in Indiana this year? Parents and teachers need to get into just such relationship. Speak to your pastors and see if at least a few hours can not be devoted to consideration of the parents' and teachers' problems.

The Union Signal—Subscriptions, Oct. 9, 1908, 633; Oct. 9, 1909, 611. Percentage of subscriptions to state membership, 8.

The states in the "upper ten" list of subscriptions for 1909 were headed with New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Michigan, Massachusetts, Maine, Kansas, Missouri, Ohio and California.

Indiana is not on the list. Of the 115 unions in the United States with a subscription list of over 25 per cent of the membership, Indiana had one, that of the Fairmount Aaron Worth Union, with 30 per cent.

This year we surely will have more. In North Dakota one union had 127 per cent. All members took the Union Signal and then subscriptions were sent to others. Every member in another North Dakota Union were subscribers.

Maine had 15 unions with 25 per cent or one-fourth of the members who were subscribers. Many states with many unions with 25 per cent of members who were subscribers.

Surely a better understanding of our work and a familiarity with the temperance work of the women of the world gives intelligent inspiration to the W. C. T. U. woman who reads the Union Signal that enables them to successfully do much aggressive excellent work.

MENTAL AND PHYSICAL DEFICIENCY.

A careful study has been made of ten license and ten no-license cities, and it has been found that the average school membership in the no-license cities was 88.3-5, while the average membership in the ten license cities was 73, which shows that 17 children out of every 100 in license cities were debarred of an education, and that 47 out of every 100 boys and girls who get through the grammar class are kept from going farther. Prof. J. V. Collins has determined that 45 per cent of the inmates of the Home for the Feeble-Minded and 37 per cent of the inmates of almshouses owe their mental difficulty and inability to care for themselves to the liquor traffic. Dr.

Howe, after careful investigation, found that one-half of all the idiots in the state of Massachusetts examined by him were the children of intemperate parents.

OWEN COUNTY'S HEARD THE BUGLE

(Tune, Annie Laurie.)

Owen county's heard the bugle
Oh, army, tried and true.
She is marching, she is coming
To pledge her faith anew
To pledge her vows anew,
To win or die with you.
You may count on Owen county
Till the stars fade from the blue.

We are out for prohibition,
Our forces are afield.
We have heard the marching orders,
Not one brigade will yield;
The clarion call has pealed;
Not one brigade will yield;
We are out for prohibition,
Our forces are afield.

Where your snowy flag is floating,
And white stars dot the way,
You may count on Owen county
In the thickest of the fray,
In the thickest of the fray,
The white stars dot the way;
You may count on Owen county,
She's sure to win the day.

We are out for prohibition,
We know 'twill not be long,
Till free from Rum's oppression
We'll sing the victor's song.
Yes the great White Ribbon throngs
Will sing the victor's song
For we're out for prohibition—
State-wide we'll have ere long.

DANCING SCHOOLS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS

Milwaukee—That the halls in the public schools should be opened up for the use of people who like to dance is the conclusion that has been reached by Alderman Irving H. Tarrant in the investigation of the feasibility of his municipal dance hall ordinance.

The city should engage dancing masters to handle the patrons of the school hall dances, Alderman Tarrant declares. He would provide high-grade instruction in dancing.

In answer to critics who might say that the municipal dance is going a step too far toward paternalism, Alderman Tarrant calls attention to the fact that Uncle Sam teaches dancing to the students at the West Point Military academy and at the Annapolis Naval academy.

THE CIGARETTE-SMOKING BOY.

Prof. Wm. A. McKeever, of the State Agricultural College, Manhattan, Kan., is publishing for the assistance of parents a series of free bulletins on the problems relative to the home training of boys and girls. The four numbers thus far issued are, "The Cigarette-Smoking Boy," "Teaching the Boy to Save," "Training the Girl to Help in the Home," and "Assisting the Boy in the Choice of a Vocation." This cigarette bulletin ought to be read by every school boy and by his parents, for it sets forth in a clear, scientific manner the serious effects of the cigarette habit. The author has made a study of 2,500 cigarette-smoking school boys and gives pictures to show how weak their hearts are, and other data indicating the mental, moral and physical debility of such boys. All interested persons are urged to order this pamphlet in quantities at one cent per copy and to distribute it where it will do good.

The other bulletins may be ordered in quantities at the same rate.

Mrs. Grace Julian Clark, of Indianapolis, president of the Indiana State Federation of Women's Clubs, replying to a newspaper reporter concerning her opinion of school suffrage for women of Indiana, said in part:

"There are two ideas relative to the basis of suffrage, one that it is the natural right of all adults, the other that it is a privilege bestowed by the state upon such persons as are capable of exercising it intelligently. I insist that on either of these bases woman is at least as well qualified as man. But granting that it is expedient to continue the old injustice as to suffrage in general for a while longer, what reason can any one give for withholding the school franchise from one-half the adult population? Does the other half sufficiently represent it? No; woman's relation to children and to educational questions is a peculiar one.

"She has demonstrated her greater interest in the schools by the promotion of mothers' clubs

all over the country. The women who are in these clubs do not feel that they are neglecting their household duties. They consider it their business to follow their children in her effort to do the very best for them; to know what the school board is trying to do, and how well it is succeeding.

"There is no detail of school affairs that does not appeal to the intelligent mother. If she is a widow, or has property of her own, her property is taxed to support the schools, and she is naturally interested in the disposal of the money thus raised. But whether she is a widow or has separate property does not alter the situation.

"She is an equal partner, and the woman who successfully manages the affairs of home displays quite as much intelligence, foresight and careful consideration as does the man who succeeds in his business. Why should she not have a voice in the disposal of the taxes?

"The New York Mail said recently, editorially, that if the women ever got together in united support of a definite issue, they would constitute a power in our national life which no far-sighted, practical politician would dare to ignore.

"The Indiana State Federation of Women's Clubs has flung its banner to the breeze, inscribed with such sentiments as 'manual training and domestic science in the public schools,' 'pure food and pure water' and 'the school franchise for women.'

"Perhaps all these are comprised in the proposed keynote of our next annual convention: 'Childhood's Bill of Rights.'

"Every child has the inalienable right:

1. To be born right.
2. To be loved.
3. To have its individuality respected.
4. To be wisely trained in body, mind and soul.
5. To be protected from evil persons and influences.

"To bring about all this requires the united efforts of both women and men. Overworked and underfed women can not bring forth the right kind of children. We are interested in industrial problems, especially relating to women and children. To be wisely trained in body, mind and soul presupposes the right kind of parents and the right kind of a home, as well as the right kind of a school. The child of today is the citizen of tomorrow. No effort in his behalf is too great. We honor men for the good they have accomplished and feel that we can assist them to yet further and better achievements."

ALICE FREEMAN PALMER ON WOMEN'S DUTIES

Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer, former president of Wellesley College, wrote an interesting article for a pamphlet compiled by the College Equal Suffrage League of Massachusetts, entitled, "Objections to Woman Suffrage Answered by College Women." Each college woman contributing to the symposium answered a separate objection. Mrs. Palmer replied to the argument that "women are already fully occupied with higher duties." She wrote:

What are the political duties?

What are the higher duties?

How far does the one kind obstruct or assist the other?

The political duties are: Informing one's self on the state of the country, on policies at issue, or candidates for office, and going to the polls and depositing a ballot.

The so-called higher duties of a woman are the bearing and rearing of children, and making a home for family and friends.

How much time must she spend on her political duties? If she belongs to the well-to-do class and hires others to do her work, she has time for whatever interests her most—only let these interests be noble! If she does her own housework, she can take ten minutes to stop on her way to market and vote once or twice a year. She can find half an hour a day for the newspaper and other means of information. She can talk with family and friends about what she reads. She does this now; she will then do it more intelligently, and will give and receive more from what she says and hears. If she does this reading and talking, she will be better informed than the majority of voters are now.

The duties of motherhood and the making of a home are the most sacred work of women, and the dearest to them, of every class. If casting an intelligent vote would interfere with what women only can do—and what, failed in, undermines society and government—no one can question which a woman must choose. But it cannot be shown that there are any large number of women in this country who have not the necessary time to vote intelligently, and it can be argued that study of the vital questions of our

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In every school house a Parent-Teacher Association should be organized and W. C. T. U. women should not fail to be identified. The knowledge and power of W. C. T. U. women in such organizations will be of great benefit. These organizations need our literature, our own help and our speakers. In turn it is a wonderful opportunity for the dissemination of temperance and purity information.

In this issue appears a county song, a parody on our State Song. We hope all counties will have county songs but of course we would not expect another parody on our State Song. Any way the tune of "Annie Laurie" is a little hard for very general use. By the time of our county conventions this autumn every county should have a song. If there is not a competent song writer in the Union, ask some one else with this remarkable ability to write a song. Many people can write verses without meter, but the best is none too good for the W. C. T. U.

Children should retire early and sleep with plenty of fresh air. To sleep in the open during the spring and summer months is fine. Porches, screened, can be utilized splendidly for sleeping and will be a boon to adults as well as children. Coffee and tea and red meats are unnecessary for health. Nature's foods are wholesome, such as fruits, vegetables, nuts, milk, honey and eggs.

Distribute literature. No one person ever need to wait for another in order to do this work.

Every woman who is equipped for this temperance and purity warfare will always have on hand a good supply of leaflets on various subjects. It takes but little money to secure hundreds of leaflets.

Many magazines are now, from time to time, publishing articles on temperance and other subjects of great interest to W. C. T. U. These should be read and discussed in the home.

The young people in the home are interested in the things that they hear about.

The summer time will soon be here, now is the time to arrange for special W. C. T. U. days at the assemblies. All assembly programs are planned early and wise W. C. T. U. workers will seek places early. Now is the time. Call on the managers now or write them letters immediately.

Flower Mission Day, June 9, should be observed by every union in Indiana. Unions that desire to visit institutions should arrange program and plans during the first week in May. When institutions are visited where it is proper to take boys and girls, it is well to engage carriages and automobiles weeks in advance, and arrange to go on a Saturday. Many boys and girls would gladly learn songs and help on programs besides bringing flowers.

All "shut ins" should be visited. Many of them could be visited by different committees if carriages and automobiles are secured. Boys and girls who sing or recite would do beautiful service in such visiting in company with one or two W. C. T. U. women.

When the boys and girls thus help they, too, are benefitted.

Flower Mission Day can be a great day in many places if well planned for. Whenever the day is a big success one year it will be a still bigger success the next year and the newspapers will help.

How many subscribers to The Union Signal in your union? If you are discouraged because the members do not seem as much interested as you would like, just ask each one to become a reader of The Union Signal.

Literature that will help. Program Committees in county and local unions should be supplied with literature on many subjects. Literature superintendents who have found helpful temperance leaflets will confer a favor on the editor by sending information so that the title

and address of the leaflets may be published for the advantage of others.

In every W. C. T. U. home a five-cent package of flower seeds, planted in boxes or garden now will be a blessing in blossoms after a while for the sick and aged. Mothers that help the boys and girls to raise flowers for such purposes will be gratified to see how much beauty is added to child character besides the cheer given to others.

The prevalence of soda fountain patronage by boys and girls is increasing at an alarming rate. Ices are not healthful, they are unnatural food or drink from an appetite for them because of thoughtless parents' neglect.

Cocoa cola and other concoctions served at soda fountains are deleterious and should not be used.

Send a card to the Indiana State Board of Health asking for two or more copies of "Health Circular on Social Hygiene." A copy of this of this should be put into the hands of every member of the School Board, every school commissioner, school teacher and earnest parent in Indiana. If Pastors would call Sunday afternoon "men's meetings" and have them addressed upon social hygiene by physicians who are familiar with the work of the State Board of Health, certainly great good would result.

Oratorical contests—An honor roll in the October Message will contain the names of all Medal Contest superintendents who have held seven or more contests during this year—ending Sept. 15.

The Ladies' Home Journal, in the May number, opens a department entitled, "How Shall I Tell My Child?" of which department Mrs. Rose Woodallen Chapman is to have charge. As superintendent of the Purity department of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Mrs. Chapman will have opportunity to teach the 1,300,000 subscribers of that magazine the principles of purity in which we all so sincerely believe, and hence this is a fact of interest to all members of our organization.

Every member of our organization may help to establish this department in greater permanency, if she will but take the trouble to write a personal letter to the editor of the Ladies' Home Journal, expressing her gratitude to him for having opened this department, or showing her interest in it by the questions that she asks. Editors judge of the value of a department by the number of such letters received. These letters, however, should not be written as coming from W. C. T. U. members so much as from individual women who are interested in the welfare of children, from teachers who know how much such help is needed, or from mothers who ask for assistance for themselves. Questions will be answered by Mrs. Chapman personally, if stamp is enclosed.

ALICE FREEMAN PALMER ON WOMEN'S DUTIES.

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government would make them better comrades to their husbands and friends, better guides to their sons, and more interesting and valuable members of society. Women of every class have more leisure than men, are less tied to hours of routine, they have had more years of school training than men. All this makes simple the combination of public and "higher" duties.

The objection to the political woman and to the educated woman present some instructive analogies. Fifty years ago it was seriously believed that knowing the classics would ruin her morals, philosophy her religion, and mathematics her health; in general a college education would take away her desire to be a good wife and mother. To protect a being so frail, the colleges were carefully closed against her. Now, with the approval of wise men, more girls than boys are preparing for college, and this in the public interest. It may be found in politics, as in education, that the higher duties of women will be assisted, not hindered, by intelligent discipline in the lower.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP

My Dear Superintendents:

We are reminded that one-half of the year has gone since we met in state convention and no doubt you have done your very best work for the department you represent. There is no line of work so needed as the work of christian citizenship represents. If every town and city had a good live C. C. organization the "blind pigs" and gambling and other law violations would decrease and "blind officers" would receive their sight. The question is often asked the W. C. T. U. woman why don't you stop these "blind tigers?" Our men are looking to the women largely to take the lead in this work. So my dear sisters, if you have no organization that represents our department, organize one at once. I sent to you my plan of work as soon as I received it. I hope you have read it carefully and planned your work accordingly. Ask your ministers to preach sermons on this subject the

first Sunday in July. Don't fail to keep a strict account of work done, so we may have a full report when we meet again in our annual convention. Now a word to our county presidents. I have supplied you with "Plan of Work." I am sure you feel the importance of this department and can trust you to use every opportunity to work it even though you have no county superintendent. If you have appointed a superintendent in your county since state convention send me her name and address so I may supply her with literature. Now the local presidents within a few days will receive my "Plan of Work." Study it. Do not lay it away so carefully you cannot find it. You notice the program in the State Minutes for the first July meeting is on "Christian Citizenship." I ask you to carry out this program in full. I very much desire that every union observe this day as Christian Citizenship day and now the fourth of July—why not capture the day and have a sane patriotic program? In conclusion do your best and don't forget to keep a full report of work done.

Faithfully yours,

GERTRUDE FULTON.

TAG DAY

Letters and postals are coming in from local unions of the various states, giving reports of the amounts raised on Gift Day. Many unions are slow in reporting and are not able to give the results as yet, but we shall later give a statement of all monies sent in by states, in which all personal gifts will be included.

Many unions finding it inconvenient to observe March 19, have chosen a later date, thus taking advantage of the extension of time to June 1, as published in The Union Signal of March 24. Those unions which did not use all their tags on Gift Day can retain these and continue the work of canvassing for members and raising money, if they choose, reporting the results by June 1. The reports thus far show that Lincoln, Neb., leads in the amount raised. Mrs. Heald, the president, says:

"Tag Day in Lincoln resulted in \$700 in cash and 'seventy hundred' in agitation. The whisky men were mad and gave special attention, patrolling the streets and trying to intimidate the women. Their work only increased the admiration of the better classes for the W. C. T. U. and woke up many to the real situation. The badges were worn by men, women and children and are still seen on the streets. It was worth all the work in creating the enthusiasm and sentiment and the money goes a long way to keep the campaign expenses up. The committee of fifty men had already been in the field securing pledges for the campaign, so we did not ask for large sums. The average gift was 10 cents. One check for \$10 was reported and one \$5 bill. There were some doubting Thomases before Tag Day, but not one is to be found now. All agree it was a great help."

Nearly every union thus far heard from has added materially to the funds of their local union, their state and the national. Beresford, S. D., raised \$81.30. Eleven dollars and eighty cents were secured by a member over eighty years of age. An Oregon union in a city with a population of 6,000 and having thirty saloons, raised \$61 on Gift Day. The president says: "Our few temperance folk must work night and day; we are praying and working for Oregon dry in 1910." A Pennsylvania town reports \$115.80 as a result of the day and the writer says: "We might easily have had \$500 if more women had worked." A union in Ohio says: "We feel it worth the effort it took and are in hopes of installing a fountain with our share of the proceeds of Gift Day."

No other organization has given such service and can show to the public such wonderful work accomplished as can the state and national Woman's Christian Temperance Unions. We know it well, and why should we hesitate to call attention to our organization and ask that help be given for the furtherance of the work that has brought such widespread beneficent results?

Local unions which have not already observed the day are encouraged to do so by the approval and success which has come to the unions which have already reported.

Any unions desiring tags and advertising matter will receive the same prepaid on application to the National Treasurer, providing the number of tags desired is stated and that arrangements are made to carry the plans some day prior to June 1.

ELIZABETH P. HUTCHISON,

Treas. National W. C. T. U.

PURITY IN LITERATURE AND ART

Suggestive Program for Legal Meetings.

1. Singing from White Ribbon Hymnal, "Some Glad Day," "Building for Eternity," etc.
2. Bible reading. Topic (a) "The Image We Bear;" (b) "God's Architecture;" (c) "Word Pictures of the Bible."
3. Prayer.
4. Roll call. Response, (1) "Books That Have Helped me;" (2) "Pictures That Are Uplifting;" (3) "My Favorite Periodical and Why."
5. Paper, "The Bible as Literature;" (2) "Influence of the Press on Public Sentiment;" (3) "The Model Novel."
6. Debate, "That the Theater as Conducted

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Today Is Demoralizing in Its Influence;" (2) "That Bad Books Are a Greater Menace to the Morals Than Bad Company."

7. Discussion. (1) "The Best Books on Nature Study for Boys and Girls;" (2) "The Influence of Art in the Home;" (3) "How Best to Guide the Literary Taste in Its Formative Period;" (4) "Bill-board Displays and Indecent Advertising;" (5) "The Souvenir Postal Card."

8. Reading, selection from "The Evil Tendency of Modern Fiction."

THE WOMAN'S CHARTER

Delegates and visitors to the International Congress in London last year will remember the able presentation of Lady McLaren of her Woman's Charter. This is a full compendium of the laws for women in Great Britain and a statement of the changes which are vitally necessary in justice to women. The delegates were urged to prepare a similar digest of the laws in their own country and present it to law-making bodies. Lady McLaren has done this in the English Parliament, and her husband, Sir Charles McLaren, has introduced eight bills for revising these laws. In a letter to the editor of Progress she says:

"43 Begrave Square, March 15, 1910.

"I am sure you will be pleased to hear what a great success has attended the introduction of the Women's Charter into the House of Commons. All the newspapers are full of it, and some of them have given leaders and columns of approval, with interviews and comments, and so far there has been no damaging attack from any quarter. Had these reforms been advocated singly no notice would have been taken of any of them; but the fact that all the injustices have been put together has aroused public attention to the wrongs of women. I do ask you to bring this success before the leaders of thought on the women's questions in America, urging them to draft a bill, or bills, containing various reforms, and to have these introduced into the state legislatures, so that the law which in some states is in favor of women should be raised in backward states to the same level. I believe many of those old injustices which have their root in the ancient common law of England lend themselves to attack. They are like some crumbling monument, which a vigorous blow would cause to topple over, and could such a blow be delivered by the women of each state, all striking together, it would be the most effective weapon they could use to obtain, not only revision of the laws, but admission to the franchise.

"LAURA McLAREN."

PURITY IN LITERATURE AND ART

Dear Co-Workers:

Again I will use The Message as a means of reaching you with a few ideas and suggestions. I am very sure the work of our department is making great progress this year, and I know that unions and counties that are neglecting the work of this department will feel later on that an opportunity has been missed.

This seems to be a time of reforming in our country and while the air is permeated with the enthusiasm of reform we ought each one to do our share towards banishing from our land every thing which has a tendency towards tearing down the moral and christian life of our people and putting our shoulder to the wheel of good influence, give it our strongest aid as it endeavors to go around.

I have had our state laws on obscene and impure literature and art and also the federal law regarding the mailing of same printed on cardboard and while I've mailed out a couple of hundred of these I still have a thousand or more copies which I hope you will send for and place them where there is any chance of them being needed.

I also wish you would send to Miss Ruby Gilbert and get some copies of the very latest federal law regarding this which Mrs. Emile Martin, of New York, who is our national superintendent, has had put out in the form of large posters, about 20x30 inches. These are out in attractive form and would draw the attention of the public more than the smaller "law cards." These posters can be had at the rate of ten for 25 cents, and it would be money well invested. Do not fail to do this. Mrs. Martin is very anxious that every union in the state send for these.

When you have done any work that attracts the attention of the public and is commented on in your local paper, be sure to send me the clippings. I want to make as large a collection of such items as I can.

Push the work all you can. Keep account of what is done and at the close of the year let us come up with a good full report in which we can feel a good reason to be proud of.

Wishing you abundant success I am

Very Sincerely,

ELENORA G. McNAUGHTON.

Box 94, Ray, Steuben Co., Ind.

FLOWER MISSION

Dear sisters who wear the white ribbon:

"Thanks to the human heart by which we live,
Thanks to its tenderness, its joys and fears.
To me the meanest flowers that grow can

Give thoughts that do often lie too deep for tears."

To give the principal facts concerning the origin, growth and methods of this most beautiful of philanthropies would require but small space, but if every little incident illustrating its influence could be known the world itself would scarcely be able to contain the books that should be written. The flowers have been called the "entering wedge" and they can be used in this way to help nearly every one, if not all of our many departments. Their help has already been acknowledged in The Evangelistic, Penal and Railroad departments, but we hope that every other superintendent will see that she may also use them to some extent. When all our members appreciate this, our whole work will be more beautified. Let each local union begin now to plan for a great day on June 9. Let us make this the banner day in the history of Flower Mission. Forget ourselves, our cares and our joys and devote that day to the unfortunate of our land. Nothing is more calculated to dispel the darkness of sin and sorrow and substitute the true joy and gladness than the flowers with

"His live light in their beauty which brings the heart good cheer."

There are thousands of aching hearts in our poor houses, jails and penitentiaries that perhaps might be touched at the sight of a flower, and truly it is a privilege to take there "smiles of God" to the sick and discouraged who, no matter what the age or station in life, awaits them with outstretched hands. The message which the flowers carry is known only to God and the receiver, and it may have a far greater import than we have yet dreamed of. It is the duty of every white ribboner as well as a pleasure to do Flower Mission work and let each of us remember to report all our work to our local superintendent of this department. Remember June 9, Prison Day. The birthday of our beloved Jennie Cassaday.

Yours lovingly,

VIOLA R. HARVEY,
State Superintendent.

Mooresville, Ind.

Field News

Jay County—One of the resolutions adopted by the Jay County W. C. T. U. institute was as follows:

"That we commend to our state officers that a full compendium of the laws for women of Indiana be made out and a statement of the changes necessary for justice to women be prepared and bills for such reforms drafted and presented to our coming legislature."

Should these laws be noticed singly it will not attract public attention nor point out reforms needed, but when all injustices have been put together it will make an interesting showing and become an education and a weapon to obtain not only revision of objectionable laws but admission to the franchise. There are many laws affecting the women and children adverse to that do not mention them, such as the liquor laws, labor, franchise, settlement of estates, taxation, sanitation and others.

Tippecanoe County—The Monon W. C. T. U., of Lafayette, held a very interesting meeting April 13, at the home of Mrs. M. H. Donoho, 1707 Underwood street. Four new superintendents were appointed and much interest taken in the work. Ten visitors were present. A social hour was enjoyed and refreshments were served by the hostess. Plans were made for a mothers' meeting at the home of Mrs. J. Bradley, in May.

Jonesboro—It has been said, "You can't get anybody out in Jonesboro if you say W. C. T. U. to them." But the Health and Heredity department by talking "in season and out of season," writing and posting our own bills, proved that saying a ghost. Sunday evening, April 17, the Friends' Church was packed to near Dr. V. E. Baldwin, of Greentown, lecture on "Health and Heredity." Dr. Baldwin is an eloquent talker and held the attention of the large audience throughout the evening and the very kind of people we wanted to hear it were there, the heads of families and young men. The Friends' minister, Rev. Hinkle, gave a splendid short talk; our county president made a call for men members to which both men and women responded, and we gained many new members. A big collection was taken and as our county president, Mrs. Gullia Shugart, expressed it, "It was certainly a wonderful revival for Jonesboro." May 1, through The Message, recommend Dr. V. E. Baldwin to superintendents of "Health and Heredity," "Purity" and "Mothers' Meetings."

Mrs. Cornelia T. Jewett, managing editor of The Union Signal, is to spend several months in Alaska. It will be recalled that Mrs. Jewett visited Alaska last year as a member of the party arranged by the National Editorial Association, and her decision to return to the far north is prompted by a desire for further information concerning the country and its future, as well as by a conviction of the great need and opportunity there afforded for temperance work. Mrs. Jewett has been commissioned by the General officers

as special representative of the National W. C. T. U. to Alaska, and in that capacity she will visit all the important coast towns, en route to Seward, where she will make headquarters, presenting in each place the cause of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The Union Signal will contain Mrs. Jewett's letters from Alaska, which will be an interesting feature of the national organ.

The South Bend Pleasant View W. C. T. U. held a Sabbath observance meeting Wednesday, June 13, at the home of Mrs. David Augustine, with a good attendance. Mrs. Tilla Miller, who had a paper on "The Parent Day Tendencies," had charge of the devotional exercises and the program; Mrs. Bertha Ness gave a reading which was a spiritual uplift and a strengthening of temperance sentiment. The afternoon was delightfully and profitably spent. The next regular meeting will be held with Mrs. Howard Webster, 118 East Navarre street, May 11. In the fierce struggle that is on between the forces of the home and the forces of the saloon in our state it seems we can ill afford to loose a single comrade, but we have to record the name of one dear sister, Mrs. Margaret A. Culver, who passed away at her home on Diamond avenue. Mrs. Culver was born in Rochester, Ind., Feb. 11, 1847. She resided with her son Simon, her only surviving relative. Our beloved sister was called to her Heavenly rest. We, the members of the Pleasant View W. C. T. U., desire to keep in remembrance her example of faithfulness in all duties. She is yet with us. We do not live to die, but die to live again.

Madison—The Medical Temperance Department of the W. C. T. U. held an open meeting at Bregade Hall, the Union's new quarters, Tuesday evening, March 29, at 7:30 o'clock. The program was as follows: Scripture reading and prayer, Mrs. Rosa Jamison, the president; piano solo, Mrs. Frank Thomas; paper, "Reaction of Alcoholism to the White Plague," Miss Mary Bayless; reading, Mrs. Sherlock; talk on temperance, Miss Lula Deitz. The regular business meeting for April was held April 10, at 2:30 p. m., with a good attendance. The Union is preparing for the semi-annual rummage sale to be given about May 6 and 7. The proceeds to go toward making the last payment on the new piano. Some good work has been done during the winter and several "blind tigers" have been made to see.

Delaware County—The five unions of Delaware county met in annual spring Institute at Albany on April 7. Representatives were present from each union in the county. On account of the illness of Mrs. Rose Pearce, Mrs. Rhett Jones was present as leader and did very acceptable work. The state program was followed closely. On account of the illness of Mrs. C. D. Dile and Mrs. Amy Masters, who had places on the forenoon program, the subjects they were to have discussed were used as round-table discussions, under the leadership of Mrs. Jones. In the afternoon a good paper on "Child Labor" was read by Mrs. Stella B. Grissom. The paper was written by a high school student of Eaton, Ind., and we appreciated very much the kindness of both the student who wrote it and the teacher who allowed it to be brought to us. We are glad to note that high school students are given more practical subjects for essay work than was formerly the custom. Mrs. Della Chambers, of the Normal City Union, read a splendid paper on "Woman's Ballot for the King's Business." On account of the lateness of the hour there was not time for the discussion which the paper deserved. J. S. Long planted a Norway maple tree on the church lawn during our meeting and it was named the "Frances E. Winard Maple," for which he received a vote of thanks from the Institute. Mrs. Jones gave the address at the evening session in her usual happy style and every body felt that we had had a very pleasant and profitable day. The following young ladies added much to the enjoyment of the Institute by furnishing good music: Misses Pearl Hawk and Edith Rhea, of Muncie; Miss Quirk, of Shidler; Misses Mary Dowden, Ersu Rittenhour and Mrs. Cleverdon, of Albany. The Albany Union received our gratitude for the gracious manner in which they entertained us.

The speeches made at the prohibition convention at Indianapolis contain valuable arguments and information. The Patriot Phalanx has issued a convention special, which will contain these speeches. For sale by the single copy or by the hundreds. Address Patriot Phalanx, 119 West Maryland street, Indianapolis.

The Prohibition Party of Indiana advances. "The liquor traffic must die" is their slogan. "No compromise," their watch word. The state convention was held in Tomlinson Hall, Indianapolis, April 6 and 7, with more than 1,000 representatives present. The convention opened by singing "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow;" prayer by Rev. W. V. Harrell, of Chicago. There were some excellent speeches and the convention nominated splendid candidates who stand on a sound platform. They are as follows: Secretary of state, George Hitz, Indianapolis; auditor of state, Dr. J. O. Morrison, Anderson; state treasurer, Samuel W. Thompson, Shelbyville; attorney general, Charles F. Holler, South Bend; clerk of Supreme Court, Emory A. Richardson, Oakland City; superintendent of public instruction, Walter S. Smith, Arlington; state geologist,

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Charles Hill, West Terre Haute; chief of bureau of statistics, Albert Stanley, Indianapolis. Since the Republican party convention resolutions are silent concerning the local option law and do not mention the liquor business at all. Surely good people will consider the need of a party that stands for what is expressed in principles and platform by the Prohibition party.

Waterloo Union held a mothers' meeting at the home of Rev. Overmyer, April 5, with members and guests to the number of about 45. Mrs. Cora Bartholomew, the vice president, led the devotional service, followed by the Lord's prayer in concert, after roll call and minutes of the previous meeting the union listened to a very interesting and instructive address by Mrs. Mary Ehlers, of Auburn. Light refreshments were served. Six new members were added to the union.

World's convention trip, Glasgow, Scotland, June 4-11, 1910. The attention of white ribboners all over the country is turning especially at this time, to the World's W. C. T. U. convention to be held in Glasgow, Scotland, June 4-11, 1910. Following the convention, tours have been arranged through Scotland, England, The Hague, to Paris, Brussels, Cologne, The Rhine, Switzerland, the Passion Play at Oberammergau and through Italy. The lowest prices possible have been secured both on the steamships and for the trips. Competent conductors will have the various parties in charge, and everything will be looked after in the most efficient fashion. Circulars giving the various trips in detail, with prices ranging from \$245 to \$500 are now being sent out, and will be freely sent to anyone who asks for them. Send the names of your friends who might be interested in such a trip and they will receive the little book. Address Minnie B. Horning, 628 Library street, Evanston, Ill., chairman of transportation, National W. C. T. U.

The Van Buren W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. L. H. Miller, with a large attendance. The hostesses were Mrs. Judson and Mrs. Miller. After singing "Blessed Be the Tie," the scripture lesson was read by our leader, Mrs. Atwell; prayer by Mrs. Judson. The subject for the afternoon was "Sabbath Observance." Papers were read by Mrs. J. L. Henderson on "The Sunday Train;" by Mrs. James Dunkins, "Lest We Forget;" by Mrs. Kribs on "Overlooked Purposes of the Sabbath;" by Mrs. A. Wilson on "A Sabbath Well Spent." There were several good talks on the reasons why we should keep the Sabbath holy. We had the pleasure of pinning the white ribbon on Mrs. Harry Sullivan. We have about 45 members in our union. "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," was sung, after which refreshments were served by the hostess.

Kate Lee Union, Deputy, Ind.—The framed, life size picture of Miss Willard was presented to the intermediate school with a program by that and the primary departments which consisted of the song, "Saloons Must Go," and essays which were a credit to the children and their teachers. Mrs. Dora Gredgel gave a short address. As the weather was very unpleasant and only three members of the union were present. Union Signal Day was observed at the home of the president, Mrs. Rebecca McClelland, who had Signals from 1892 and later years on the table from which readings were given by Mrs. Nettie Sullivan, Mrs. Anna Dixon and others. Mrs. Hansel, the treasurer, reported one new member who had paid dues and others who were members have renewed payment.

The Indianapolis South Side W. C. T. U. met at the home of their treasurer, Mrs. Saucer. The speakers for the afternoon were Mrs. S. R. Artman; county president, Rev. J. R. Henry, of Emmanuel Baptist Church, and Mrs. O. R. Rash, of Brightwood Union. Mrs. Artman's remarks were very inspiring and the several beautiful poems given by her were greatly enjoyed. Rev. J. R. Henry took the topic for the afternoon, "Anti-Narcotics," and gave many illustrations of the baneful effects which came under his personal observation. Mrs. Rash spoke words of encouragement to all those in the work. South side has a membership of 40 (besides 4 honorary members) with an average attendance of 28, a gain of 7 has been made in the last four meetings. South Side is not a year old yet, but the women are working daily to have a good strong membership for their first anniversary.

South Bend—At the home of Mrs. Joseph Augustine, 1813 Michigan avenue, the losers in the membership contest of the Pleasant View W. C. T. U. had the honor of entertaining the winners. The decorations were in red and white, the colors of the winners, these were used in the luncheon. A very interesting afternoon was spent as the program was interesting and entertaining. Mrs. Ponger, of Gary, Ind., gave several readings and Mrs. Kathryn Wert Holler gave a talk and reading on "The Need of the Hour." It was good seed sown in the midst of all who had the pleasure of hearing it. The musical program was well rendered by Miss Margaret Plant, Miss Ethel Steel, Mrs. J. P. Dillon and Mrs. Brekler.

Mathews W. C. T. U. was entertained by Mrs. Eunice Bartlett and the house was well filled. Sixteen were present from Fowlerton and one from Upland. Session was opened by Mrs. Black, the president, and the following was the program for the afternoon: Prayer, Mrs. Hanks, of Fowlerton, followed scripture reading by Mrs. Bart-

lett. By request of the Fowlerton ladies our union gave a physical culture drill, after which we listened to a very interesting and instructive talk by Mrs. Hanks. Mesdames Milson, Dickerson and Duling, of Fowlerton, each gave a very delightful reading, which was very much appreciated by all. Meeting closed by singing temperance song "Onward" and repeating the Lord's prayer.

La Porte—The ladies of this union are busy finishing up their quilt. Twenty names outlined on each block, they expect to place more than \$40 in their treasury through this effort. They are also doing rescue work with the help of the prosecuting attorney. They were able to get a man paroled from jail who, through strong drink, neglected to care for a wife and five children. He became very penitent and asked the street commissioner to pay his wages to the W. C. T. U. ladies to use in caring for his family. A committee was appointed to take charge of this. So far he has been true. He and his family attend church and Sabbath school.

The Evansville Frances Willard Union is alive and doing things. Plans are on foot for a series of meetings to be held at various churches and to end with a great union meeting at Evans Hall. On April 22-23 an Institute will be held. The program is very interesting and insures success. We had Mrs. Stanley with us in February, and she created quite a bit of enthusiasm and also organized a new union in our town. Our members are all good, earnest workers and are doing good personal work. Our vice president came across ten young girls who had left comfortable farm homes for the sweatshops in the city. She quickly showed them their mistake and they returned to their homes. Since the state convention we have gained 31 new members and 8 honorary members.

Whitley County W. C. T. U. held a County Institute in the U. B. Church at Churubusco, March 30-31. The first session was held Wednesday night, March 30. Special music was furnished as follows: Two selections by the Churubusco High School Octette; a temperance solo by Mrs. Aita Smith; duet by the Misses Slagle; several selections by the W. C. T. U. Choir and a temperance solo by Rev. Avis, U. B. minister. Recitations were given by Miss Mary Keene and Miss Bessie Benward. A good address was given by Mr. Young, superintendent of Churubusco schools on the "Strength and Weakness of Indiana's Local Option Law." He said that the county unit is not enough that we should have state-wide and nation-wide prohibition. He also said that honor was due the Woman's Christian Temperance Union for its work in behalf of fallen humanity. He said he doubted if the men would have had the courage to have taken up the temperance question alone. A good talk was also given by Mr. Humpke, principal of Churubusco High School, on "How Stands the Question of Sunday Baseball?" Thursday's session was devoted to the subjects prepared by state superintendent of institutes. Many good points were brought out by those that had prepared papers and gave talks on the different subjects. Mr. Reichelderfer, the M. E. minister, gave a good talk on the necessity for Federal legislation, to make state prohibition effective. He illustrated his work by a cartoon on the inter-state commerce law. He also said that prohibition will prohibit when the United States government is back of it. On the second evening the W. C. T. U. Choir and the High School Octette furnished the music. An able address was given by Mrs. Retta Jones, of Alexandria, on the subject of the "Liquor Traffic." She gave a good explanation of high license, the Model License League and many other things concerning this awful traffic. Seven new members were received at this institute for Churubusco Union. The attendance was good and much interest was manifested throughout the institute. We were well pleased with our leader and a hearty vote of thanks was given her before adjournment. The collections amounted to \$5.65. Our county convention will be held at Columbia City next September.

The Hanfield Union met at the home of Mrs. Alice Eckroat, Thursday afternoon, April 7. The meeting was lead by Mrs. Flora Cox. After a song, "On to Victory," Mrs. Eckroat led the devotions. Roll call was responded to by scripture quotations and Mrs. Lucy Pugh and Miss Mary Campbell favored us with a song, "Sabbath, 'Tis of Thee;" Mrs. Melva Cav announced the subject of the day, "Sabbath Observance;" discussion followed; leaflet, "My Boy and the Sunday Paper," was read by Mrs. Sarah Hall; "Sabbath Well Spent," Mrs. Ada Knetzer. After a collection and song, "Away, Away Tey Bawl," adjournment was made to meet May 5 with Mrs. Flora Cox. We have been slow in sending in a report of our meetings each month, but we are a wide-awake union and our meetings are growing in interest as well as in number and we want to do more for the cause this year than we did in the past.

The Spencer Union still lives and is on the move. We held a public meeting on Sunday afternoon, March 20. The people showed their appreciation of our position by filling to overflowing the large audience room of the Christian Church. After the meeting requests came in from both men and women, asking that we give more such meetings. The men called a meeting

at the Opera House one night, the week following, to consider plans for dealing with the drug stores. A good lawyer moved into our town recently and he, with a few other good men, is intensely in earnest about the illegal sale of liquor and it is believed that something will be brought to pass in Spencer.

Jay County Institute was held in Redkey on April 8-9. It opened with a suffrage contest in which Mrs. Millie Leavell was the winner. The large M. E. Church in which it was held was beautifully decorated with white, yellow and our national colors. The keynote of the institute was state and nation-wide prohibition. Mrs. Rettie Jones, as leader, brought out a fine discussion on local option, which showed an agreement of opinion that local option, even with "blind tigers" was better than the wide open saloon. Mrs. Nettie Stouvenour read an excellent paper on child labor. Mrs. Gertrude Campbell, county press superintendent, took the opportunity to urge more use of the press, the daily and weekly papers, open forums, agricultural and labor papers. Mrs. E. B. Smith, of Pennville, treated the subject of "Traffic in Women;" Mrs. Henly, of Portland, "Juvenile Courts," and Mrs. Gertrude Fulton, the legislative side of the liquor question; Mrs. Gildum started the round table on "Blind Tigers and Blind Officers," which brought out many experiences and during the discussion Simon K. Bell, a visitor from Portland, said the town officers do not need affidavits but can go in and arrest persons who are conducting "blind tigers" without. It is their duty to make arrests when laws are violated and it is what they are paid to do. Rev. Fred Steverson also spoke, and said a third more goods were sold in Portyand during the holidays than when saloons were there, and the payments were mostly in cash. There was little time for music during the session, but the solos of Miss Lena Lacy, Lynn, were very much enjoyed. Mrs. Bessie Smith, of Jonesboro, told of work in Marion and Mrs. Elmira Jones, of Pennville, gave some brier but pointed talks. The unions of Portland, Pennville, Belfontaine and Dunkirk were well represented. The convention will be held at Portland at a date to be fixed by the county officers.

Jackson County Institute was held at the First Baptist Church in Seymour, April 8-9, under the supervision of our county president, Mrs. M. C. Carpenter, and state evangelist, Mrs. Ella Kroft. The institute proved to be one of the most interesting ever held in the county. The pastors of the different churches of the city were present at each session, leading the devotional exercises and entering into discussions upon the various topics under consideration with marked interest. Friday evening the principal feature was an address by Mrs. Kroft. Miss Edna Doane also recited in her usual pleasing manner. Saturday morning a ten-minute testimony service by ten persons, each giving a scriptural or scientific reason for working against the saloon followed the devotional exercises. "Indiana's Local Option Law"—"Its Strength," Miss Dora Deppert; "Its Weakness," Mrs. F. H. Hadley, was followed by a very interesting discussion. Other papers were: "Child Labor, Mrs. Alvey Zarincy;" "The Passing of Advertisements of Intoxicating Liquors, Tobacco Etc., From Our Best Papers and Magazines," Mrs. Wilbur Pfaffenberger; and "The White Slave Traffic," Mrs. C. R. Hoffman, were products of much thought and were very instructive. The noontide prayer closed the morning session. An excellent dinner was served at the church. The afternoon session opened with devotion, led by Rev. James Omelvena, followed by a solo, "Bow of Ribbon White," Miss Annie Carter; "The Coming Legislature," a paper by Mrs. Florence Burrell; "Blind Tigers and How to Open the Eyes of Blind Officers," an address by Rev. F. M. Huckleberry, were each received with much enthusiasm and were very instructive. A beautiful selection by the Ladies' Quartette, of Seymour Union, was enjoyed. Plans for work were discussed, led by Mrs. Kroft. The entire day was helpful alike to members and visitors.

Redkey local union held a public meeting in the M. E. Church with a good audience on Sunday evening, April 10, with Mrs. Retta Jones, of Alexandria, as speaker. She took as a subject the ten commandments vs. the liquor traffic and made many telling points. Mrs. Jones is a clever witty and convincing speaker and will hold the attention of an audience as long as she occupies the platform.

Our Promoted Comrades

MARSHALL COUNTY has suffered the loss of one of her local presidents in the going home of Mrs. Alma Overmyer. She gave a years' faithful service to the Pleasant View Union which had been organized just a year to the time of her death. She will indeed be missed by the county and the Union which she served. A. R. SHEDD.

MOORESVILLE—"Dear beautiful death, the jewel of the just." Again the death angel has entered our ranks and called from work to reward our beloved sister, Eliza Atkinson. But we have the assurance that our loss is her gain. We deeply sympathize with her aged husband and commend him to our Father, who said: "As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you."—Isaiah, 66:13.

POSVILLE union mourns the loss of Mrs. Ida Tiltan, the first member to be called home since the organization five years ago.

Mrs. Tiltan stood boldly and fearlessly for temperance a tall times and she always wore the white ribbon. The funerals was held in the M. E. church, services in charge of Rev. Griffith.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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THE HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FARM WAS SOLD TO THE "CHILDREN'S HOME SOCIETY."

"God setteth the solitary in families, was written long ago, and it is in carrying on this divine work that the Children's Home Society is engaged. It takes fatherless and motherless little ones and finds fathers and mothers for them; it takes them out of evil environment and places them in the family circle where life is pure and wholesome and where they may be surrounded by the influences which go to the making of good men and women.

Attention is everywhere being centered on the child.

Indiana is doing much for the care of her children.

We are glad that the desire of Addison and Martha Hadley is being carried out in the work for children. The Children's Home Society place hundreds of children in good homes every year. Homes suited to the individual needs of the child.

The children will be cared for in the Hadley home until permanently placed in good homes. Each child will have a home where he can have the benefit of good moral and Christian influences and affectionate care.

VALUABLE INFORMATION.

Members of the W. C. T. U. frequently ask if a warrant is necessary before a man violating a liquor law can be arrested.

It is claimed by many officers, especially those in smaller towns, that an arrest cannot be made without a warrant. In chapter 38, section seventh, of the Statutes of Indiana, we are informed:

"All judicial officers, sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, coroners, constables, marshals, deputy marshals, police officers, watchmen and the conductors of all trains or cars carrying passengers or freight within this state, while on duty in their respective trains or cars, may arrest and detain any person found violating any law of this State, until a legal warrant can be obtained."

The claim that an officers must have a warrant made out by a private citizen before he can arrest a person conducting a blind tiger is simply a cowardly subterfuge resorted to in order to escape the duties for which the people employ him. If a warrant must be in possession of an officer before he can arrest a person for violating the temperance laws, it is necessary for him to be in possession of such warrant before he can arrest a person for robbing a bank, store or private residence, or setting fire to a building or shooting down people indiscriminately on the street. Such an excuse for an officer not performing his duty would be amusing if it were not contemptible.

MRS. GERTRUDE Q. CAMPBELL,
Red Key.

The above should by vote of the Union be sent (with a note stating that fact), to the newspaper for publication. In some instances, if not acceptable as news matter, it should be published as a "paid advertisement."—Editor.

THE SALE OF HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

The institution so long known as the "Woman's Christian Temperance Union Hadley Industrial School for Girls," has been sold to the "Children's Home Finding Society." This is a great disappointment to many dear women who have felt that this school was one of the noblest of our undertakings, but those in close touch with the management felt that under existing circumstances it was impossible to carry on the institution in a way to be a credit to our organization without greatly crippling our other work. Appeal after appeal has been made to the local unions for funds to carry on the work, and the small responses have led us to believe that the unions have lost interest in the institution.

Last year much less than \$300.00 was paid in for its support, while our matron and farmer alone cost us \$45.00 per month. The farm was in such condition that a large outlay for fencing and ditching was absolutely essential to successful farming, and no funds were available for the purpose. The Children's Society was compelled to seek more commodious quarters, and made a proposition to buy our place. The State Executive committee was called in January to consider the matter, and after a careful and exhaustive review of the situation, authorized the trustees to sell the school. We have felt that it was most fortunate that we were able to dispose of the property to this society, whose work is so nearly in line with that for which the institution was founded. The price agreed upon

for the buildings and 110 acres is \$12,000, \$1,500 of which was paid down, and the deferred payments secured by mortgage. We still own sixty acres, which will sell for four or five thousand more. The farm would have sold to much better advantage had their been only an ordinary farm dwelling on it. It should be remembered that as it has been a charitable institution, we have never been taxed, but had someone bought it simply as an investment or for farming purposes, he would have been taxed for the improvements, which would have eaten up his profits. Thus the buildings have proved an incumbrance instead of a help in the sale.

While the trustees have received some severe criticism for our action, we are sure that if the whole situation could be made plain, every candid woman would agree that we have acted in the best interests of our beloved organization.

MARY E. WOODARD.



MRS. LOU ROGERS,
President Posey County W. C. T. U.

MANHOOD AND MONEY TO KILL THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

(By Bishop Joseph H. Berry.)

The question of the saloon will never be settled in the prayer-meeting. We will pray and ask God to show us our duty, and to prepare us for the fight, but if we sit still in the prayer meeting, with this liquor curse going on, the problem will never be solved and the curse will never be done away. Go from the prayer-meeting better prepared citizens because you have been there. In a recent primary election in New England, there was a question of license or no license to be decided upon. On the night of the primary, there were six men, members of a prominent church, there. They went to the mid-week prayer-meeting. By spending a half-hour each and getting to the prayer-meeting a little late they might have gone to the primary and cast their votes to overthrow the saloon. But they went to the meeting. All six took part and one of them led. Next morning it was discovered that the majority was for license by five votes. Now I claim that unless those brethren could have gone to both places, they had no business at the prayer-meeting on that particular night. There are prayer meetings every week, but the election comes only once in the year at most, and we must pray as we vote, and vote as we pray.

We shall never do very much with the problem until we are prepared to give vast sums of money. I do not mean hundreds or thousands, but hundreds of thousands and millions, to agitate for the fight. It is not a sentiment and cannot be battled with by sentiment. To sustain the liquor business there are invested every year millions of dollars, and where there is a real fight on, there is no lack of funds, while the combined forces of the temperance cause give little dribbles of contributions. Men who give money for educational purposes, and to build churches, and to sustain pastors, must give for the closing of the saloon.

We must have money to match money. Money from the men who are disciples of Jesus Christ. We will never do anything worthy of the temperance cause until we pour out into the treasury vast sums of money.

THE LOCAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN.

Of Indianapolis, is comprised of seventy-two societies of women, with an aggregate membership of about seven thousand. The women, believing that a more intimate knowledge of one another's work would result in larger mutual sympathy and greater unity of thought, and therefore in more effective action, certain associations of women in Indianapolis, interested in philanthropy, education, literature, art and social reform, organized the Local Council, and became an incorporated body. There is a board of fifteen directors elected for three years each. Several of the members of the Board of Directors are members of the W. C. T. U.

The Local Council meetings are held on the first Tuesday afternoon of the month for eight months of the year and are open to visitors.

Each affiliated society is entitled to be represented by two persons, the president and an elected delegate, who are voting members of the council. All members of all societies affiliated are members with all privileges except voting.

Our Marion County W. C. T. U. is affiliated, as also are the following unions in Marion County: Broad Ripple; Brightwood, Indianapolis Central. Indianapolis Frances Willard; Mapleton; Indianapolis Meridian; Indianapolis North East, and Palmer.

Each affiliated society pays an annual membership fee of \$2.00.

The following is a list of the Directors:

Mrs. Grace Julian Clarke.
Mrs. Frank Wells.
Dr. Rebecca Rogers George (W. C. T. U.)
Mrs. J. H. Byers (W. C. T. U.)
Dr. Amelia Keller.
Mrs. Corinna R. Barnes.
Mrs. Winfield S. Johnson.
Mrs. Charles M. Walker (W. C. T. U.)
Mrs. Wm. H. Hart (W. C. T. U.)
Mrs. Martha L. Gipe (W. C. T. U.)
Mrs. J. F. Barnhill.
Mrs. Edgar Perkins.
Mrs. Henry Reisenberg.
Mrs. S. D. Farrabee (W. C. T. U.)
Mrs. Felix T. McWhirter (W. C. T. U.)

Our dear and brilliant Mrs. Josephine R. Nichols, former President of Indiana W. C. T. U. was the third president of the Indianapolis Local Council of Women.

Among the literary, philanthropic, educational and social reform organizations of the capitol city the W. C. T. U. women are prominent. They are a noble band and loyally stand as a unit upon any measure or for any purpose needed.

Among the many speakers who represented great and powerful organizations upon the Local Council program this year—which closes in May—none were more courteously received and listened to by the audiences representing many classes of people than Mrs. Martha L. Gipe, the former, and Mrs. Samuel R. Artman, the present president of Marion County W. C. T. U. These ladies spoke at the November meeting in a "Symposium—United Societies of the W. C. T. U."

Governor Stubbs, of Kansas, was in New York recently, on his way home from the conference of Governors in Washington. Speaking of his State, the Governor told many interesting things. "There is not in Kansas an open saloon or a gambling house," he said, "and the problem of social evil does not exist there. In more than one hundred counties the prohibition law is thoroughly enforced. Nearly half the jails are empty, and frequently half the poor-houses and poor-farms are unoccupied. We have less illiteracy than in any other State, with a few exceptions; fine schools, universities, colleges and the people are of high moral character. We have more money per capita than any other State. Mortgages are well cleared up and the farmers own 80 per cent of the \$200,000,000 of Kansas bank deposits. The sale of merchandise in "dry" towns has increased 25 per cent; debts are promptly paid; the women and children have better clothes, and the cost of police administration has decreased."

Michael I. Fanning spoke twice a day for sixteen weeks at Illinois county prohibition conventions and concluded his Illinois campaign last week. He has held 192 meetings and raised in cash for county committees, \$1,009.13, and pledges amounting to \$1,860.95, making a total in cash and pledges of \$2,870.08. In addition, he has raised for the state prohibition committee, in cash, \$1,672.15 and pledges amounting to \$2,451.55, a total of cash and pledges for the state committee of \$4,123.70. This shows a total of cash and pledges for all committees of \$6,993.78, an average of \$437.10 per week.

PEACE.

Comrades of Peace:—I believe this to be one of the best years our Peace Department has yet known in Indiana. Now may I urge that we make it a special object to do or say something to commemorate the 18th day of May. What does that day mean to us? Why, on that day, 1899, occurred the formal opening of the conference of the Hague; an event which will be notable in the history of the world, and concerning which the people of all nations ought to be at least particularly informed. Let us then make mention of it in some suitable way. Encourage, and assist whenever it may be acceptable, the teachers of your public schools to have such exercises as may help the children to understand the significance of the event, and if nothing more can be accomplished, hold a meeting of your own Union on that day; inviting in as many of your friends as you can, and entertain with readings, discussions, songs and exercises in praise of Christian Citizenship, Patriotism and Peace.

Here is another way in which you may do some effective peace work. By courtesy of the Lake Mohawk Conference, the Association for International Conciliation, and some other organizations, I have at my disposal for distribution some excellent peace literature. Amongst these pamphlets are the addresses of Hon. Richard Bartholdt of Missouri, Hon. James A. Tawney, Mr. Andrew Carnegie and Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, President Columbia University. These addresses are almost a peace education in themselves. They are sent out in envelopes bearing Congressman Bartholdt's frank, and can be sent without payment of postage. Will not my comrades in the State assist in the early distribution of these pamphlets by sending me addresses of ministers, teachers, business men and others, men and women who will be likely to read them, and I will direct and mail them; and so we may reach hundreds of readers who otherwise might not receive them at all. I should like to "make honorable mention" to the state convention of the three, or possibly the five, who send me the longest list of names. Let us make the most of this opportunity.

Yours to help,
H. LAVINIA BAILY, Supt.

HOUSEHOLD ECONOMICS.

The Superintendents of H. H. E. will remember that one of our lines of work is to inaugurate a practical advocacy of better methods of celebrating our great National Holiday.

Suffering sorrow, maimed limbs and conflagrations have not been sufficient to change the present customs. Insurance companies stand in terror of this day's proceedings; sometimes offering large sums to be relieved of the day's fearful consequences.

While the prosiness of life reminds us that we should not oppose all diversions, it is evident that a part of the large appropriations for the so-called celebration of the Fourth could be more wisely and humanely used.

An effort to secure the cooperation of Sunday schools and city officials in a trip to the woods with an address and recitations in keeping with the spirit of the day, would be a valuable lesson in patriotism and history, and another demonstrating that we can find entertainment within ourselves, leaving money thus saved for charitable and other purposes.

While planning for a more civilized Fourth, let us not forget the principal object for which Household Economics was organized, viz: teaching, the industries, trades and crafts in the public schools. After considerable effort we secured in the Girls' State School and the Institute for the Deaf and Dumb, scientific cooking, and now as the school term is drawing to a close it is time to appeal to the County Superintendent of Public Instruction for a more extended teaching in the industries that the humblest child of the state be not neglected. It is believed that no child becomes a delinquent because of pure badness, and that the truant school can be abolished by two methods. First, to learn that some children are not adapted to continuous menial work. Second, that medical inspectors should be employed whose skill and knowledge enables them to discern mental defects often unobservable to parents and teachers. Pitiful instances could be given of this class.

This work, dear sisters, we owe to the rising generation, and we all rejoice daily that we are of a great organization that does not want to shirk duty.

MARY A. MOODY,
State Superintendent.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

A Young People's Branch of the W. C. T. U. was organized on April 2nd at Cold Spring, by Mrs. Flora Walker. President, Mr. Ansel Walker, Moore's Hill, R. R. 1.; Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Mr. Floyd Haltegel, Cold Spring, Texas. Gladys Turner. Six members paid dues on joining, and the prospects are good for others. Thus the good work goes on. Who will be the next to report a Y. P. B.? Wish many branches could be reported soon.

Yours for service,
LAURA CAMMACK.

The Unveiling of a Frances E. Willard Memorial Window in the First M. E. Church of Guthrie, Oklahoma, by the pastor, Dr. Fairfield, and the local W. C. T. U. was an event of great interest.

A Year Ago Congress passed a fake interstate liquor measure with Speaker Cannon in the leading role of temperance advocate. Today, six months after this Knox amendment to the Penal Code went into effect, the people of every prohibition community in the land are convinced by bitter experience that the measure was a subterfuge. For more than ten years every one of the scores of interstate measures introduced "on request" by more or less indifferent senators and representatives, has been quietly but promptly smothered in the rooms of committees packed to do the bidding of the brewers and their liquor allies at the nation's capital.

It has taken the people a long time to wake up, but the trumpets are sounding in all sections of the land at last, and there are everywhere signs that the absurd anomaly of license politicians heretofore representing scores of prohibition districts throughout the United States cannot last much longer.

Nine states have state-wide prohibition laws, with eighty-five representatives in Congress, yet not a single one of them has ever proposed an interstate prohibition liquor law, nor do we believe one of them will stand for such a law, so that our only remedy is the election of Prohibitionists to Congress who will make this a prominent issue in national legislation. When we get a law of this kind, and only then, can the states enjoy real Prohibition. Without it, they have not Prohibition because the National Government breaks down the Prohibition laws by permitting the shipment of liquor into the states, and the last law passed, which went into effect January 1st of this year, has not remedied this evil.

There are several precedents for an interstate prohibitory law in national legislation, the most conspicuous of which was the legislation against the Louisiana lottery. Congress first passed a law prohibiting the use of the mails for the lottery, and then, when they began resorting to the express companies, Congress enacted a law prohibiting the shipment of lottery tickets across state lines. This was the death blow to the old Louisiana lottery. If Congress has the power to prohibit the shipment of lottery tickets from one state to any other, it certainly has the power to prohibit the shipment of lottery liquor from one state to another.

Lincoln, Nebraska, maintains the Prohibitory law by a splendid majority.

To advertise intoxicants in Oklahoma is a criminal offense, according to a recent decision of the State Supreme Court.

The Ohio Senate, Republican by 20 to 14, has defeated the Black bill, which would have afforded the people a chance to dismiss nullifying public officials and others who connived at liquor lawbreaking.

A fight for State prohibition in Arkansas is being renewed, the intention now being to concentrate the struggle on the election of a State Senate favorable to a State-wide bill. The House of Representatives has long been overwhelmingly for prohibition.

The Report of the New York Red Cross Hospital and Training School for 1909, is published, and shows encouraging results of the treatment of disease without the use of alcohol are still maintained, and in successful surgical operations this hospital is second to none in New York City. The claim that alcohol is an absolute necessity in certain diseases has been proved to be a false claim by this hospital. The Red Cross Hospital is located at 395 Central Park West, corner of One Hundredth street.

The Christian Endeavor World, April 2nd, has this to say of the American Prohibition Year Book for 1910: "No serious-minded Christian can be indifferent to the cause of temperance or can afford to be ignorant of the evils that follow in the train of the drink traffic. This volume is crowded with facts that pierce the armor of the evil trade at every point. Here are statistics, illuminating articles, quotations from men of world-wide reputation, figures exposing the misrepresentation and falsehood circulated by the brewers, the opinions of scientists, writers, scholars, editors, leaders of every kind, reformers and business men, all condemning the drink traffic. In fact, this Year Book is indispensable for every temperance worker. It should be in the hands of every Christian man and woman, and especially in the hands of the many that through lack of knowledge are still sitting on the fence." Copies of the Prohibition Year Book for sale at 25 cents, of Chas. R. Jones, 92 LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill.

The March Number of "The Indiana Bulletin of Charities and Corrections" contains records of all the charity, of each county, report of the International Prison Congress of 1910. Tuberculosis Situation in Indiana Statistics of State Institutions. The papers read before the Prison Congress are greatest interest. A free copy of this very valuable information will be sent to any person who will send a request by post card to Mr. Amos W. Butler, Secretary, State House, Indianapolis.

NOTICE.

All communications concerning subscriptions to *The Message* should be sent to the State Treasurer, Miss Clara Sears, Anderson, Ind., and not sent to the editor.

All communications intended for publication in *The Message* should be sent to the editor (whose name appears on the second page of every issue), and not to the State Treasurer. When letters are sent to wrong addresses that means extra work for those receiving, extra postage and delay. Recently a person, whose name is on the State roster, sent her "letter" to *The Message* to the State Treasurer. Every month there is extra work for the treasurer and editor and extra postage because of carelessness or ignorance.

SYSTEMATIC GIVING.

Dear Sisters:—Let me insist that you push the plan of "Systematic Giving" in every Union. Surely each woman who wears the white ribbon cannot afford to be at ease in this great work. When we read of the desires of the hosts of Satan, among all classes, and on every hand, it surely behooves us to renew our zeal. More than sixteen thousand pages of literature have been sent out to the different Unions, on which we are asking God's blessing. Do not fail to report to me what you are doing on this line.—Mrs. Olive M. Wright, State Supt., Hartsville.

FRANCES E. WILLARD.

In every town and city in Indiana there should be a high school building or other large school building named for Frances E. Willard.

The school boards have the power, and if properly and tactfully petitioned they will grant the request. If all the ministers in the community are asked many weeks in advance to use some phase of Miss Willard's wonderful life as a subject for a sermon on a certain Sunday, many people will become interested.

Miss Willard had a remarkable Christian experience, which influenced lives.

Every minister who is asked to preach on her life should be supplied with a copy of "The Beautiful Life of Frances E. Willard," by Miss Anna Gordon, or a copy of "Glimpses of Fifty Years" by Miss Willard herself.

HOW TO KILL A UNION.

Attend only occasionally.

Never make preparation.

Never pray for its success.

Talk to outsiders of how little it accomplishes. Give as reason for non-attendance, "They do not do enough."

Encourage jealousy toward the helpful ones.

If you cannot manage the whole, refuse to countenance any of its undertakings.

Give dues only, and not yourself.—Exchange.

"Mothers' Day" has been widely observed this year. The second Sunday in May, as "Mothers' Day" will become a great factor in helping to re-establish a quiet Sunday and we hope to see it made a Holy Day.

OFFICERS OF B. Y. P. U. OF CENTRAL COLLEGE, HUNTINGTON, IND.

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Organized by Mrs. H. C. Foote, May 15th.

Connersville—The Ladies of the W. C. T. U. of Connersville held a surprise on Mrs. Jobe Ashworth Monday afternoon with the Aid Society of the First Baptist church, of which she is a member. Mrs. Ashworth has been the treasurer of our Union for two years and has served well in her office, and the ladies wished to show their appreciation by giving her a silver gravy ladle as a remembrance, with W. C. T. U. engraving, to take to her new home at Indianapolis. The afternoon was spent socially. Music and recitations added to the enjoyment of all. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served, after which the ladies left wishing Mrs. Ashworth happiness in her new home. Fifty ladies were present.—Mrs. Ernest Ward.

The W. C. T. U. ladies and their husbands of Connersville had a surprise on Rev. Burkhardt and wife, May 24th, with 56 present. The ladies presented Mrs. Burkhardt with a beautiful silver gravy ladle and Mr. Burkhardt with a gold tie clasp with W. C. T. U. engraved on both, as tokens of the love and esteem of the people. We feel that we are losing a friend and helper in Bro. Burkhardt, as he leaves to go to a new field of labor, as he has always stood by us ready to advise and encourage us, and it is with sorrow we see him go, but hope he can do as much in his new field for the temperance cause as he has done for Connersville. The evening was spent with music, recitations and speeches. After a pleasant evening the people left at a late hour, wishing Rev. and Mrs. Burkhardt Godspeed.

South Bend.—Mrs. Howard Webster, of 118 East Navarre, entertained 35 ladies of the Pleasant View W. C. T. U. Wednesday afternoon, May the 11th. The subjects on the state program were the topics for discussion. The meeting was opened with instrumental and vocal music by Mrs. Alice Cogestine. Devotional by Mrs. J. Roy of whom we were pleased to have

with us after so long absence on account of ill health. After the business session a brief history of the Mormon religion and the present conditions in Utah was read by Mrs. L. Wells, and was followed by a lively discussion by a few that had visited there in their travels. A responsive reading and discussion on medical temperance by Mrs. Alice Argentine was followed by a piano solo by Miss Hazel Marcome. A reading on a Sunday in Salt Lake City by Miss Wilo Plant was appreciated, as well as some very fine selections on the piano; Miss Zears sang a lullaby, "Slumber Seas." The young ladies and the piano played a good part in the program, which was appreciated by all. With such musical talent there is always work in plenty for their hands to do, something waiting every day that none may try but you, burdens that you may lift, steps that you can take, heavy hearts that you may comfort, for the blessed Savior's sake. A good paper on the immigration question was read by Mrs. E. L. Hull. A social hour and a luncheon followed the program. Mrs. C. Uldine, 1407 Michigan Ave., will entertain the Union June the 8th.—Mrs. J. Miller, Cor. Sec., 2304 Michigan Ave.

CHICAGO'S WAR AGAINST VICE.

The following was addressed to the Mayor of Chicago by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, on Jan. 27. About 400 women marched to the City Hall and placed in the Mayor's hands a letter which read as follows:

The Hon. Fred A. Busse, Mayor,
City Hall, Chicago.

Dear Sir:—In behalf of the members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Cook County and other good women of Chicago, we desire most respectfully to call your attention to the attached copy of the statutes and ordinances in reference to disorderly houses and to request that the same be rigidly enforced.

These laws and ordinances expressly prohibit the keeping or patronizing of such resorts and the statutes forbid the corporate authorities of any city, town or village from licensing such houses.

We would also call your attention to the fact that in spite of the law, and with the apparent consent of the corporate authorities, literally miles of streets, almost in the center of this our city, are given up to vice preserves—to say nothing of the outlying colonies of vice and the hundreds, probably thousands, of evil resorts now scattered throughout the residential sections of the city.

In our opinion, which is supported by the highest of medical authority, these so-called segregated districts are no better than pest-houses. From out of the doors of these resorts flow streams of disease more terrible in physical results than cholera or small-pox.

The peril is so great that menacing, not only to the male frequenters of these resorts, but to their innocent wives and families as well, that we call upon you, as the chief executive officer of the city, to use the power at your command to suppress them utterly and to arrest, or cause to be arrested, the keepers, the inmates and the patrons of these places. From a sanitary standpoint they should be abated as public nuisances.

From a moral standpoint we would call your attention to the ruin of character, caused by these unlawful and utterly indefensible places. They not only debauch and debase our young men, eating out their moral fiber, but they are the real white-slave markets where girl victims, not of Europe alone, not of the country towns alone, but of our own Chicago as well, are sold to lives of vice and misery and to untimely death from dissipation and disease.

It is sometimes argued that to close the red light district would result in scattering the houses of shame throughout our city. In reply to this, it may be said that they are already scattered. There is hardly a residence section of the city today that is free from them and so long as they are tolerated and given quasi-official sanction in some sections they will invade all sections. If they can be segregated (as now is attempted) they can be practically suppressed and that is what the law requires and the development of the human race demands.

We shall be glad to co-operate with you in any way possible in the work of reclaiming the present unfortunate inmates of these resorts, and restoring them to lives of usefulness and respectability. A fallen woman is no worse than a fallen man.

We know that fallen men and women are the finished product of these vice preserves and that the longer they exist the more victims there will be to be taken care of. Nothing honorable is to be gained by delay. We therefore insist that you at once take such action as will immediately wipe out these plague spots, the continued existence of which is a disgrace to our city and a permanent bar to the making of a "Chicago beautiful."

We desire a definite answer from you within one week from this date. A failure to respond will be considered a negative answer.

MRS. EMILY M. HILL,
President

DR. MARY V. MAXSON,
Superintendent of the Purity Department.

The moral condition of the children in the public schools is one of the most difficult problems of the present day. We know that the situation calls for action, but when we think of attempting to cope with it we are almost paralyzed at the magnitude of the task.

New York City has made a beginning, and it has seemed to be a step in the right direction that might well be followed by every town, city and hamlet in our broad land. Through the lecture fund of the American Society of Sanitary and Moral Prophylaxis, who furnished the lecturers, and the successful work of the Parents' Meeting Committee of the Public Education Association in arranging the meetings, twenty lectures were given to the mothers of the children in as many of the city's public schools. These meetings ranged in size from sixty to over five hundred mothers. They were held on the East Side, among the poor and ignorant, and they were held upon the West Side, among the wealthy and cultured, but everywhere the reception of the instruction was the same. The mothers had, in some way and at some time, felt the necessity of giving their children something that would protect them from the contamination of the impure words, the direct evil teachings of chance companions; but they had not known what steps to take. They felt powerless in the face of what seemed to them a terrible necessity.

To have someone come to them who not only urged upon them the necessity of protecting their

children, but who brought to them a practical answer to the great question of what would be a wise and adequate protection, was to earn their outspoken and undying gratitude.

This never-failing attitude of the mothers who heard these talks was convincing proof that this first step toward the solution of the moral problems presented by the school children was the right step. The mothers were ready and eager for enlightenment along this line.

Not every town is supplied with funds to pay for lectures along this line; possibly not in every city could be found lecturers able or willing to present this delicate subject. But the necessity exists everywhere. Everywhere children are in danger, mothers need awakening and instructing.

It was to meet this universal need that Mrs. Rose Woodallen Chapman, National Superintendent of Purity for the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, issued her little book, "The Moral Problem of the Children," which contains—with additional material—the lecture she has given so many times before the mothers of the public school children of New York. Mothers everywhere will find this book most inspiring, for in it is given the "story of life" as it may be told to the little child, and those who find it helpful for themselves can lend it to other mothers. School teachers, who have been wondering what they can do to change the unhealthy mental atmosphere in which so many of their children seem to live, can call the mothers together and read to them selected portions of this book. Mothers' Clubs can read it in their meetings; Women's Clubs could also use it to good effect. W. C. T. U. workers everywhere can make use of it to arouse interest in purity work and to instruct those who are ready to learn. For a copy, send 20c to

Mrs. Rose Woodallen Chapman,
601 West 156th St., New York City.

FORT WAYNE.

To the editor of The Message—We wish, in way of expressing thanks to the superintendents of the 26 different departments of the State W. C. T. U. who have so kindly responded to our request and sent samples of their literature for the demonstration of the work of the W. C. T. U. before the Woman's Club League of Ft. Wayne. Many persons asked for literature which was given them so they might learn more of our work and several of the most prominent women of the league, including their president, joined our union, put on the bow of white and said they wished to help when the state convention met in Oct. 14-18. Through your help we were able to make the meeting of April 2, when Mrs. Florence Richards spoke to us, a grand success.

Indianapolis Meridian W. C. T. U. gave a reception Friday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. John Morgan, 2029 Broadway, having Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley and Mrs. S. R. Artman as guests of honor. The decorations were very attractive, the colors of the W. C. T. U. and woman suffrage being carried out in the dining room in the white and yellow crocus and wax candles. The ices, cake and mints showed the same colors. Drawing room had peach blossoms, azalia and ferns. The entrance hall was bright with the prettiest flag ever made—the star-spangled banner. Mrs. Nettie Cohea, president of Meridian Union; Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Artman and Mrs. C. W. Oakes welcomed the guests. Mrs. Lizzie Hann, Mrs. Heath, Mrs. Sarah Reynolds and Mrs. William King assisted Mrs. Morgan in extending the hospitalities. In the dining room were Mrs. George Thornton, Mrs. B. J. Bence, Mrs. A. D. Masters, Miss Nellie Scott, Miss Beulah Bressette and Miss Nina Brigham. Mrs. Stanley made a brief address on popular departments of W. C. T. U. work that ought to appeal to all women, closing with that touching poem, "The Appeal of the Crucified." Mrs. Artman gave a humorous monologue. Miss Elizabeth Kline, in a piano solo, "Convent Bells," showed careful study. Miss Lillian Bernice Trusler rendered a violin solo, "Holy City," which was so pleasing that an encore was asked. The response was "Kuganiak." Mrs. M. E. Silvius favored us with two numbers, "The Betrayal" and "The Bird on the Wing." Miss Kline accompanied both musicians. Four new members were secured. Mrs. Stanley's work in Marion county has been very acceptable and must do good. We are happy to have her for our Institute Leader.

The Marion County W. C. T. U. held its annual institute March 29-30, in Englewood Christian Church, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, state vice president was the leader. A gold medal contest, conducted by Mrs. Cora Harper, was held first evening. The male quartette, of Mapleton, the children's orchestra, and Miss Birdie Tyler furnished the music. Norman Quinn was the successful contestant. Wednesday forenoon session opened with devotions by Mrs. Ellen Davis. A ten-minute testimony service followed, local presidents giving reasons for working against the saloon. In her usual happy manner Mrs. S. R. Artman, county president, gave the words of greeting. Response by the institute leader.

"The Strength and Weakness of Indiana's Local Option Law" was ably considered by Mrs. Stanley. She showed how large a part the women have taken in the option campaigns, and thought if women were given the ballot they would vote the saloons out.

The Rev. Charles M. Fillmore spoke on "The Model License League." Model license admits

and states that the managers of such saloons must now "be good" if allowed to continue in the business. Temperance people feel that even the best saloon is not good, and that past violators will continue to violate the law to the fullest extent possible—hence they feel the model license shows the extremity of the liquor interests.

Frank D. Loomis then spoke on "Juvenile Court, Anti-Child Labor and Industrial Education." This is a department taken up by the last state convention, with Mrs. Martha L. Gipe as state superintendent. Mr. Loomis spoke in high terms of the work of Judge Stubbs in the Juvenile Court, saying this court is one of the best in the country.

In the afternoon Dr. Martha Kellar gave a brief talk on her department work.

Some aspects of the social evil were considered by Dr. Joseph Morrow. The doctor feels this evil to be even a greater menace than the liquor evil. Traffic in women was the subject taken up by W. M. Likens. Mrs. Stanley then spoke on "The Coming Legislature," and said the W. C. T. U. women of Indiana expect to ask two things of the next legislature—state-wide prohibition and women suffrage. E. S. Shumaker spoke on "Blind Tigers and How to Open the Eyes of Blind Officers," which closed the program for the day.

The evening session was as follows: Piano solo; song; invocation, Rev. Orcutt; whistling solo, Miss Spence; piano solo, Miss Weaver; address, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley.

Mrs. Stanley spent a week in the county giving addresses under auspices of the various unions.

"As ye sow so shall ye also reap."—Following leaflets are 15 cents per 100: "Does It Pay?" Prof. Scanlon; "Save the Children," Rev. John F. Hill, D. D.; "May I Ask?" Prof. Scanlon; "African Missions and the Liquor Traffic," Robt. E. Speer; Temperance Day Programs with music and recitations, 8 pages, \$1 per hundred. The Presbyterian Temperance Year Book, a rich storehouse of information, 8 cts. per copy.

Mrs. Frances B. Heald, president of Nebraska, says: The Institute is the fountain of life and knowledge to every W. C. T. U. worker, a practical demonstration of every line of our work. Socially and spiritually its value cannot be overestimated. Some of my county presidents have taken the month of February to visit every union of her county, holding a day and evening Institute and then at the close of the month review it all in a County Institute of two days.

Year Ending September, 1909, there was a total of 1,039 Institutes held with attendance of 163,270, an increase of 30,000 over the year 1908. Greatest number in any one state was 217 in the Baptist ministers' denunciation of the segregation of vice in Chicago, says:

Who can deny the charge that houses of ill fame are in alliance with low-grade saloons for mutual profit, and that even now, with all that Chief Steward has done, this alliance is not broken as it should be? Who can deny that the existing system is so "institutionalized" that the growth of the white slave trade, with all its frightful injustice and brutality, is fostered? Who can deny that breeding places for all manner of crime are operated? Who can deny that an alliance of corrupt politics with institutionalized vice is so strongly established that it even parades itself in froc-coated self-righteousness? Who can deny that the central districts of vice are continually throwing out their colonies in all parts of the city, and that neither in the central districts of vice nor in the residence districts supposed to be free from vice are there proper efforts at suppression?

Fayette County W. C. T. U. held their Institute at the First M. E. Church. Our state president, Mrs. Vayhinger, could not be with us on account of death in the family—an uncle. But the vice-president, Mrs. Stanley, came as a good substitute. Everybody around Connersville likes to hear Mrs. Stanley's plain facts along temperance lines. The different Unions around the County were represented. The attendance was not so large as we would have liked, on account of the May Festival, but there was the best of interest among those who attended. A picnic dinner was planned on Wednesday noon by the ladies. A silver medal was awarded Mrs. Katherine Krueger in the afternoon. Several new members were added to the Union.—Mrs. Ernest Ward.

Mrs. O. U. Siebenthal of Bloomington has been very seriously ill at a hospital in Indianapolis, but is sufficiently recovered to be returned to her home. Mrs. Siebenthal is the Monroe county press superintendent. Through the distribution of literature and dissemination of information through the Press she has done much for our cause.

Mrs. Josephine Walmer and daughters, of Bluffton, Mrs. Amanda Shedd of Argos and Mrs. A. T. Whitson of Indianapolis sailed from Montreal, Canada, with the great White Ribbon company for Liverpool. They will all attend the World's W. C. T. U. convention at Glasgow, Scotland.

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JUNE, 1910.

Mrs. H. C. Foote, of Huntington, organized a Young People's branch of the W. C. T. U. of nineteen members, on May 15, at Central College, near Huntington. Much is expected of these dear young people, who represent homes from different parts of the state.

Mrs. Rose Pearce, State Recording Secretary and Superintendent of Institutes has been very ill. For one month she was in South Bend at her daughter's home so ill with pneumonia that she was not even permitted to have any mail, except family letters. Mrs. Pearce has improved sufficiently to be taken to her home in Darlington, where she is expected now to speedily recover.

All over the state the many friends and admirers of Mrs. Pearce will be pleased to know of her improved condition.

Winona Lake is an attractive place and the Assembly is one of the best in the United States. The Bible Conference attendance was estimated to be fully ten thousand last year. Many W. C. T. U. members and friends from several states visit Winona every year. This year would it not be a good plan for those going to arrange to go about the same time? Then there could be some little time for us to have the delightful association always enjoyed by the W. C. T. U.

If those going will arrange some plan by which all who go may know when to expect to meet other White Ribboners the Editor of the Message will be glad to make the announcement in the July Message.

Miss Clara Sears, State Treasurer, was prevented from filling some important engagements on account of sickness. We are glad to know of her return to health. The Treasurer's work has been increasing in interest for several years.

Our membership as a state organization is rated by the number of dues received. With a thousand increase in membership there is added work and responsibility for all officers, and especially for our Treasurer. Her painstaking care and persistent work for new members in every union has done much to arouse individuals and unions to actively seek new members.

An increase of one member in the June report of every union will encourage and help our Treasurer. If every member who reads this will "do just a little to help" this will be done.

Battle Creek Sanitarium: Ye Editor is glad indeed to be at home again, with greatly improved health after a stay of many weeks at the Battle Creek Sanitarium and not taking any medicine. It was indeed a real pleasure to be in such an institution where the use of tobacco or liquor was not permitted—not even on the grounds.

There is a beautiful Christ spirit everywhere evident in the entire Institution. In the splendid chapel services were held on Sabbath and "Morning Worship" was conducted every morning just before the breakfast hour. On Friday evening the great lobby is seated for a service and hundreds of people attend a Gospel Song Service. Officers, physicians, attendants and nurses are nearly all Christians—some of them returned missionaries. Among the nurses there are a number who are in training for medical missionary work. The men have men nurses and the women have women nurses—that is as it should be.

There are thousands of people in a year at the Sanitarium. While there I saw persons from Canada, India, China, Japan, Sweden and England. There were many White Ribboners, and there is a Sanitarium W. C. T. U.

For the many kind letters and messages of love and sympathy received from the W. C. T. U. sisters I am very thankful. They cheered and helped me through many a long day. Words fail to express my deep appreciation of the devotion of those dear busy White Ribboners who set apart a certain hour every day and stopped a while to pray for my restoration to health.

The Union Signal is indispensable to every intelligent earnest officer of the W. C. T. U. It is not enough that an officer of a union know all the conditions of her own community and something of the progress made in her own state. She should know what the conditions are in the other states and something of the progress of reform movements in the countries of the world.

Why is it that good earnest women will be much more concerned about the paper on their walls and the curtains at their windows than they are about having fifty-two visits a year (for a dollar), of the greatest reform and philanthropic journal published today? When that question is answered it will be easily seen why so many W. C. T. U. women do not have the sympathy and co-operation of their "grown up" children, and in many instances their husbands.

How could the Union Signal make conditions different in that home? If the Union Signal was carefully read every week by the W. C. T. U. woman she would soon get so much intelligent information about the temperance and reform work in many states, the national Congress, and in other nations that she would arouse an interest in her household by means of such knowledge. The power of knowledge is very great. A discreet, tactful woman under such circumstances could soon make herself very interesting and entertaining to those assembled around her table. No! Certainly such knowledge and enthusiasm would not be gained by the reading of a few issues of the Union Signal, but after a few months.

Why will the average mother and home-keeper spend so much time, strength and money for the things that last but for a season, and neglect the things that last for all time and eternity?

All W. C. T. U. officers should decide now to immediately equip themselves for their positions and all earnest members should decide what is of the most value to them in their homes.

The Shame of Many Cities is the utter disregard for the laws. The officers, whose sworn duty it is to enforce law openly refuse to do so. This is true concerning the sale of liquor and of prostitution. When there is a "good spell" on some city officials, it is frequently announced that the liquor laws will be enforced—then the lid is on, for a few Sundays or for a few weeks.

After unusual publicity concerning some poor young girl being rescued by parents from a house of prostitution or some "raid" being made and the woman victims brought into court there will be statements made through the press that the officers are seeking to clean out such and such resorts. This is read by the lawless element with a knowing smile that of course this spilt will last only for a little while and then things will again be "all right." The good people read the same things and seem astonished that such places and conditions exist but are pleased because the officers are diligent and enforce the law.

W. C. T. U. women do not think this condition of affairs should exist. Our greatest work is along the lines of agitation and education. Every woman has influence in some home, some neighborhood and some society. For the good of young untaught girls and of poor ignorant untrained women much needs to be done. Our work for total abstinence should be personal and persistent.

Then, too, there is much to do by way of agitation and education against the non-enforcement of law concerning the keeping of houses of prostitution and assignation. These exist in our towns and cities regardless of the Law of Indiana, which reads:

"Whosoever keeps a house of ill-fame resorted to for the purpose of prostitution or lewdness, or knowingly lets a house to be so kept, or knowingly permits a house which he has let to be so kept, shall be fined not less than ten dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars, to which may be added imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding six months."—Section 2357 of Burn's Indiana Statutes of 1908.

Indianapolis resorts are known to the police and to the city authorities, just as those in all towns and cities are known to the officers. Indianapolis officials ignore the law and make a set of "Rules Governing Houses of Prostitution and Assignation." For your information and for the information of your society and some others you know, send a post card addressed to the Mayor of Indianapolis and ask him for a copy of the "Rules Concerning Houses of Prostitution and Assignation in Indianapolis. If your husband, father or brother signs your card of request it may have more prompt attention. Anyway, do not fail to write asking for a copy of these Rules.

Information concerning such conditions will arouse some good men to sound the alarm in some towns and cities that submission to such lawlessness cannot be endured. The Pulpit and the Press can arouse sentiment against "Blind Officers" who disregard the liquor laws and the explicit law against houses of prostitution. The Pulpit and the Press must have definite information. Much can be done by the busiest mother and housewife in Indiana simply by writing a card or a letter occasionally and securing information and then sending that information where it will be used to arouse interest in and sentiment against the undesirable conditions of the community.

SECRETARY'S LETTER.

Dear Comrades of the White Ribbon:

Only a little more than one quarter of the year remains to us before our great harvest home gathering in Ft. Wayne, October 14-18, which we expect to make the greatest convention ever held by Indiana W. C. T. U. Ft. Wayne is one of the strongholds of the liquor interests in this state, so we are to invade the enemy's own territory. Let us go with such faith and enthusiasm that the power of King Alcohol may be broken in that fair city. We want at least one delegate from every union in the state. Begin now and plan your finances so you may not be without a representative who can catch the spirit and enthusiasm of the convention and carry to her home union such inspiration as will help the work throughout the year. It is too early to announce the features of the convention, but the program committee are already busy planning a feast of good things.

Every union should be sure that you make a gain in membership this next quarter, so that we may bring our membership up to the 8000 mark this year. Hundreds of women in the state can be brought into our organization by a little effort, the first effect of the local option elections in counties that voted "dry" was to make women feel that the work was done. No one but a deaf and blind person will think so now. With 22 "wet" counties in the state so located as to make it easy for any thirsty man to get his dram; with one of the old political parties sounding a retreat through its platform, and the other maintaining a cowardly silence, it is evident that there is yet much work for the W. C. T. U. to do to drive the liquor interests out of our state. Nothing will help us more in our legislative work next year than a largely increased membership. Then let us bend our energies the next three months to making this gain. Our state organizers are now through with institute work and should be kept busy visiting local unions and going into unorganized localities to work up new organizations. County presidents should plan a trip in their own counties, for one of these organizers, and leave no effort untried to increase the number of your local unions.

Only a small number of new unions have been organized up to date, but these are at work, and many old unions report a large increase in membership. Push the good work along.

A letter from a comrade in a "dry" county says "We have more 'drunks' in jail now than we had when we had saloons." Another says "We have more drunken men on our streets than we had when we had saloons." Now this may be true, but it does not prove that there is more drinking. Not at all. It was the business of the saloons to cover up their work as much as possible, and drunken men were laid in some corner or back room to sober up before going out on the street, now they are pushed into the street and put in jail to make it seem that conditions are worse than when saloons were licensed, with the hope that people will become dissatisfied and say "If we have the drinking any way, we may as well vote the saloons in again and get the license. See! Oh, sisters, don't let the enemy deceive you. We have an unscrupulous foe to fight, so let us buckle on our armor a little tighter and push the battle to the gates. Let us hold every foot of ground upon which we have set our feet and go right on to conquer our state for prohibition. If you have any doubt as to whether or not conditions are better without saloons, seek out some drunkard's wife and ask her. Hundreds of them will testify as did one in Lebanon that while they had saloons she had to wash for a living, but now her husband supports his family, and added "Don't let the saloons come back."

There is no cause for discouragement though victory seems long delayed. God's promises are all on our side and he faileth never.

Yours for Prohibition,

MARY E. WOODARD.

Dr. and Mrs. F. F. Hutchins nee Luelita McWhirter, have gone abroad for a year. After traveling through southern Europe. They will spend much time in Heidelberg, Berlin, Vienna and London, where Dr. Hutchins, who is a specialist in brain and nerve diseases, will study and do research work in the great universities.

While traveling in Italy they stopped for some time in Rome. On Sunday, May 1st, they attended service in the Methodist church and met there Mrs. Katharine Lente Stevenson, a personal friend of Mrs. Hutchins and our World's W. C. T. U. Missionary.

AN ALL DAY MEETING.

The Broad Ripple W. C. T. U. will hold an all day meeting on June 8th, at the beautiful country house of the president, Mrs. Thomas Hesong. Every member is expected to attend and the friends of the union and the W. C. T. U. workers in Marion County are invited to be present. Those going out from Indianapolis can ride right to the gate of the grounds by taking a Logansport Local car and getting off at Broad View station, just north of Broad Ripple. The Logansport Local cars leave the terminal station at 9:40 and 11:40 a. m.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Dear Sisters:—We are just closing the Institute season, which I trust has been a time of up-building for our cause. We have gathered in these county meetings and discussed the questions which are of such vital importance to this reform, and I believe many have received new light and inspiration for the future. We have added to our family the following unions:

Scottsburg—Mrs. Mary Brengle, Pres.
Spartansburg—Mrs. Chas. Mann (Crete R. R.) Pres.

Saratoga—Mrs. Melvina Bailey, Pres.
Lafayette (colored)—Mrs. Carrie Willis, Pres.
Princeton (colored)—Mrs. S. L. Jackson, Pres.
Evansville—Miss Christina Gerbel, 1007 Chestnut, Pres.

West Point—Mrs. P. A. Peterson, Pres.
Milton—Mrs. E. K. Vanwinkle, Pres.
Zanesville—Mrs. Lida Bel, Pres.
Haydon—Mrs. Grace Sullivan, Pres.
North Summitville—Mrs. Ellen Hiday, Summitville R. R. 6, Pres.

Mrs. Elma Reynolds of North Vernon was elected president of Jennings County.

We welcome these new recruits into our ranks and pledge them our help in every possible way. There never was a time in our history when we as much needed 10,000 women in Indiana, as at white heat, reading, talking, working and praying that the powers of the devil may be driven back and God's men given a fresh baptism of boldness and courage to run up the black flag of no quarter for the rum traffic.

Dear Sisters, unless we get busy about this matter we will see worse times in Indiana before we see better. Will your Union not make a systematic effort to make a net gain of ten this year? Please do not lay this Message aside until you have pledged to do this thing. We must free ourselves of the weights which hold us back and bend our energies to the task to which God called us. The victory must come as sure as God is God—but when depends on you and you and me. You have read in one of our great dailies that "The temperance wave is receding." It will recede while men stop to wrangle over United States Senatorships, tariff bills, etc., unless the women hold firmly to their task and with renewed zeal and greater faith in their cause, push the battle as never before. May God help you to catch a new glimpse of the great need of the hour! Study up on the subject, then talk and write and write and talk. Use every dollar you can get to scatter literature on the necessity of state-wide prohibition; to hold public meetings with well informed speakers; to hold medal contests using the children and young people. Go into the country school houses, into the groves, anywhere—but GO, preach and teach the truth. Idleness this year means defeat next year. I know you will not fail us in this hour of deepest need.

Yours for service,
CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

Field News

Brightwood Union, Marion County—Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, our state vice president, spoke to the mothers and teachers of Lowell school the afternoon of March 29. She urged closer relation of parents and teachers to lift our youth to a higher standard. She especially urged parents to co-operate with teachers to keep cigarets and tobacco from the children. The principal and one teacher put on the white ribbon. In the evening she spoke in the Methodist Church on the various lines of our work. We feel that the seed sown will yield much to our cause.

The Indianapolis Meridian W. C. T. U. is planning to observe Flower Mission Day at the Woman's Prison. Mrs. Sarah B. Reynolds, the enthusiastic local superintendent of Flower Mission Work, has this so deeply on her heart that she has thus early arranged a program which she hopes will be not only interesting but of lasting benefit to the unfortunate women who will attend this service. To reach the heart and soul is the real object of this ministration of love. As outlined in Mrs. Reynolds' mind the program is as follows:

Scripture lesson, prayer and a few words of loving exhortation, Mrs. Ellen Davis, county evangelist superintendent; "All Around the World the Ribbon White is Twined," to be sung by all from printed leaflets which the prisoners are asked to keep; talk on Flower Mission work, Mrs. Martha L. Gipe; violin solo, Master Elvin Bressette; recitation, Miss Gladys French, vocal duet, Miss Florence Sayer and Miss Mabel Brown; distribution of flowers and text cards; closing prayer, Mrs. Reynolds.

Matthews W. C. T. U. held their regular business meeting at the home of Mrs. Margaret Trisell on May 15 at 2:30 p. m.

Meeting opened with song and prayer by the president, Mrs. Lena Shaw. Reports from the different superintendents were good.

The subjects for discussion were: "A Brief History of the Mormon Church" and "Should Foreign Immigration Receive Further Restrictions?" Subjects were read and discussed by the different members.

Through the removal of Rev. and Sister Adeline Black to another charge, the Union lost a good and faithful president.

Mrs. Lena Shaw, superintendent of contest work gave her second silver medal contest at the M. E. Church in East Matthews on the evening of May 14th. Miss Hall was awarded the medal. Considering the age of the contestants, they all did remarkably well.—Mrs. Allie Garretson, Press. Supt.

Seymour W. C. T. U. held a very pleasant meeting at the home of Mrs. G. A. Anderson. Interesting reports of the very successful County Institute held April 8th and 9th. "Blind Tigers" discussed and an earnest desire expressed that something be done to close these places and gambling also. Two new members added to list. Plans for contest considered.

The New Castle W. C. T. U. held a delightful meeting at the home of Mrs. Ella Richards on A. Ave, May 10. Sister Mumbus answered to roll call with Scripture passages. The devotionals were led by the president, and song "Some Glad Day," sung by the Union. After the business session a varied program was rendered. Mrs. Wencke gave a talk on "The Influence of a Christian Home"—the theme: Train up a child in the way he should go and he will not depart from it, and that no Christian teaching is lost even if the child go astray. Sometime, somewhere, the counsel of the parent will come back to a prodigal son or daughter.

The discussion following Mrs. Wencke's remarks was animated and many excellent thoughts were expressed by different members.

A paper, "What Does the Army Boy Demand of His Home?" was read by Mrs. Robson, and it were well if all mothers had her conception of a boy's needs.

Mrs. Payne read "My Boy and the Sunday Paper," a leaf that should be read by the fathers of many boys.

The children of the hostess added not a little to the enjoyment of the meeting by rendering music and recitations. The program concluded with a recitation from Master Harold Richards, "What a Boy Can Do." We think it a commendable act on the part of our hostess to have the children assist in the entertainment of their guests. We felt that Mrs. Richards was giving a delightful object lesson on Mrs. Wencke's talk and the paper read.

Since our last meeting one of our oldest members, Miss Anabelle Gohen, has heard the master's summons and gone to her reward. Mrs. Gohen was a faithful Christian and a loyal W. C. T. U. woman, and although not an active member on account of age and impaired health, her prayers were always with us.

Our Union has lately added several departments to its work and the newly appointed superintendents are showing a good deal of interest, which bids fair to give some good results in the near future.

The Mothers' Department, Social Purity, Flower Mission, Literature and the Press, Sabbath Observance, and Red Letter Days we feel to be vital organs of the great Cause of Temperance.

Madison County rejoices over the organization of a new Union at North Summitville, organized by the earnest, faithful and energetic county president, Mrs. Retta Jones. The officers are:

President, Mrs. Ellen Hiday, Summitville, R. F. D. No. 3.

Vice President, Mrs. Mary Ewing.
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Lizzie Cowgill.
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Lena Price.
Treasurer, Mrs. Adelia Brown.

The Spencer County Institute met at Christing April 28, 1910. Meeting called to order by the county president, Mrs. Hall. A ten-minute testimony by members, giving a Scriptural or scientific reason for working against the saloon, was given. Words of greeting by Local President, Mrs. Hincle, were given a response by Mrs. Retta Jones, Institute leader. The first subject: "Tools in Type," by Mrs. Crandall, of Christing, was handled in an able manner. The next, "Strength and Weakness of Local Option Law," was discussed by the institute. "The agitation for High License, a most excellent paper, by Miss Anna Kriegie, of Christing. The subject of Child Labor was discussed, and it was clearly shown that if the liquor traffic could be stopped the question would right itself. Mrs. Gentry, of Rockport, followed with a paper on "The White Slave Traffic," which was listened to with great interest and ably discussed. This with the appointment of committees, distribution of literature and soliciting of new members, closed the forenoon session. In the afternoon a paper by Mrs. Burlingame, of Christing, on "Some Practical benefits of the Indiana Local Option Law," was followed by a general discussion. "State-Wide Prohibition the Only Real Solution of the Liquor Problem," by Mrs. Hincle, of Christing. "The Model License League," an interesting paper by Mrs. Bays, of Christing. Mrs. Haines of Rockport, gave an interesting talk on "Women's Ballots for the King's Business." All who heard her could be but convinced that at least one woman was competent to use the ballot. The "T. T. T." by Mrs. Hackleman, of Rockport, was handled in her usual bright manner, telling how to interest and hold the young people. The question of Sunday Baseball, by Rev. Dorney, and a talk on Anti-Narcotics, were both helpful and interesting. Mrs. Jones gave a talk on "When We Have State-Wide Prohibition What More Will There Be for the W. C. T. U. to Do?" Reports by the Christing and Rockport Unions closed the afternoon meeting.

At the evening session first on the program was a reading by Grandma Machey, one of our new members, in her 79th year; subject, "An Old Woman's Lament, that Men Will Use Tobacco and Spit Ali Over Everything." It was amusing and instructive and was roundly applauded. Mrs. Jones then gave the talk of the evening on "The Licensed Saloon and the Ten Commandments," which was listened to by a full house. Mrs. Jones, both as leader and lecturer, was very much enjoyed, and we will be glad to have her with us at any time in the future.—Mrs. M. R. Haines, Rockport, Spencer Co., Ind May 18, 1910.

The Keystone W. C. T. U. held a special meeting at the home of Sister Poulson, May 6th, at 2:30 o'clock. This meeting was for the purpose of closing the "membership contest" between the reds and the blues. The reds won, and the blues had to entertain all members, including the new members. There was a short program in charge of the president, Mrs. Black. After an interesting devotional service there was a piano solo by Goldie Lenning and a select reading by Mrs. Marsh. A piano solo by Hazel Tetley was followed by a select reading by Mrs. Bennett. A duet by Goldie Lenning and Hazel Tetley. Rev. and Mrs. Coomer, the former pastor and wife at Keystone, were present. He made a fine impromptu talk which was enjoyed by all. His commendation of the work and workers was especially appreciated. He urged them to be faithful, not only in the temperance work but in all work for the up-lift of humanity and the cause of Christ. After the program a two course luncheon was served of which all partook very freely.—Ella Bennett, Press Supt.

The Madison, Jefferson County, W. C. T. U. held their regular monthly business meeting at Brigade Hall on Tuesday afternoon, May 10th, with a goodly number present. Mrs. Rosa Jamison, the president, in charge; Mrs. Frank Vander, Secretary. The meeting opened with a song, "It's Coming, the Morn for which We Pray"; Responses, Scripture Reading, the Crusade Psalm; Prayer by Mrs. Jenkins; Superintendents of departments made reports. Mrs. Denny being absent, Mrs. Augustine reported the splendid work being done by the Senior and Junior Loyal Temperance Legions. A foundation is being laid by this little mother, Mrs. Denny, on which the future generation will raise a pedestal and call her blessed. Owing to the absence of Mrs. Mannal the paper on "An American Problem, or Should Foreign Immigration Receive Further Restriction?" was postponed.

The meeting adjourned to meet the second Tuesday in June.

The Madison Union held a Semi-Annual Rummage Sale, May 6 and 7, and finished May 13 and 14. The results were good and added much to the treasurer's fund.

The resignation of Mrs. Charles Linden, Flower Mission Superintendent, has been accepted and Miss Mary Bayless has been elected.

M. E. B.

Auburn has just closed a very successful membership contest, there being eighty-two new members, making a grand total of two hundred and eleven. A reception and welcome will be held Friday evening, May 13, at the spacious home of Mrs. Frank Hogue on North Main street.

Sardinia W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Josephine Meredith on the evening of April 23rd, to celebrate the second anniversary. The ladies with their families were entertained in a very enjoyable manner with a good musical program. The report of the past year's work was read by Mrs. Allie Shera. The Union has a membership of thirty-three. After the program dairy refreshments were served in two courses. About thirty-seven persons were present. Many expressions were heard concerning the very enjoyable time and wishing for another year to be as profitably spent together. Very Sincerely, —Zula Shera Kenady, Press Correspondent.

The Summitville Union was organized May 4, 1096, with ten members, which has now increased to forty members. We have lost but one member by death in the four years of our organization. On the 14th of April, 1910, Mrs. Retta Jones, our county president, came to Summitville, and accompanied by the local president, Mrs. Elizabeth Peele, went to North Summitville and organized another Union, known as North Summitville Union, with a membership of seven, and at the first meeting another member was added.

The Posey County W. C. T. U. Institute was held at the First M. E. Church in Mount Vernon, April 21. Though Intemperance reigns in Mount Vernon and Posey County and in the "Pocket Region" yet the W. C. T. U. Institute was a great success. Most of the members on the program materialized in good form and Mrs. Retta Jones State Organizer, was ready with the proper word at the proper time throughout the entire institute. She was an inspiration to every one who heard her, and her work while here was quite a stimulant to our Posey County W. C. T. U. Renewed efforts are being put forth to make the Union stronger, and we are looking forward to better things in Posey. The ministers of the city were present and manifested an interest. Vanderburg—The County Institute was held in the rest room of Frances Willard W. C. T. U. rooms. The preceding evening an entertainment

which gave us all encouragement. The discussions of all the papers were full and helpful. The Ladies' Quartette rendered excellent service.—Mrs. J. W. Hanger.

The DeKalb County W. C. T. U. Institute, which was held at the Presbyterian church, at Auburn, April 27 and 28, was a success in every particular. Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, the institute instructor, was assisted by Miss Ola Smithson, whose charming original solos were in perfect harmony with Mrs. Vayhinger's work, and an inspiration to all. The Institute opened Wednesday evening, April 27, with a silver medal contest, which comprised six young girls from the different unions of the county. The medal was awarded to Miss Mabel Keyser, of Waterloo, and by kindness of Ven Eyck & Son, florists, the other contestants each received a bouquet of white and red carnations, which were presented by Mrs. Vayhinger after the presentation of the medal. Thursday's sessions were filled with interest, the program as arranged by the state being used, and all on program were present to give their work; so there were no omissions nor interruptions, and much interest and enthusiasm was manifested. Mrs. Vayhinger's address Thursday eve, entitled "What Next," was a splendid climax to the work of the Institute and much appreciated by the large audience. Aside from the special music furnished by Miss Smithson, there were two numbers furnished by Waterloo, and excellent numbers by local talent. The decorations were in white interspersed with flags, potted plants and ferns. Miss Williams' picture occupied a prominent place. This institute eclipsed those of former years, both in point of interest and attendance, and DeKalb is eagerly looking forward to the state convention at Ft. Wayne in October.

Poseyville, W. C. T. U. Regular meeting was held April 20th at the M. E. Church. Mrs. Retta Jones, institute leader, stopped, enroute to Mt. Vernon to teach the institute. She gave a fine lecture in the afternoon and one at night. We enjoyed having Mrs. Jones visit our county.

Dearborn County Institute was held at the M. E. Church in Bright May 3rd, under the supervision of our County President, Mrs. Ella Kroft, of Bloomington. The Institute proved to be one of the most interesting ever held in the county.

The strength and weakness of Indiana Local Option Law, the Agitation for High License; What is It? Who Wants It, and Why? were very interesting subjects of the forenoon.

"Our Young People; the National Plan" was presented by Mrs. Jennie Ward. An excellent dinner was served in Woodman Hall to over one hundred persons.

The afternoon service opened with devotions led by Mrs. C. G. Hester, of Homestead. "The Coming Legislature," "What the Temperance Forces Will Try to Accomplish, and What the Liquor People Will Seek to Accomplish, What Can We Do to Help the Former and Defeat the Latter," were subjects of great interest, Mrs. Kroft, leader. A very interesting selection on "State-wide Prohibition the Only Real Solution of the Liquor Problem," read by Mrs. Jennie Ward.

The following subjects: "Woman's Ballot for the King's Business," was presented in a very earnest and interesting manner by Mrs. S. C. Leffingwell. "How Stands the Question of Sunday Base Ball? What More Can We Do?" "Anti-Narcotic Department," "When We Have State-Wide Prohibition What More Will There Be for the W. C. T. U. to Do?" were discussed by members and visitors. A talk on "The White Slave Traffic" was given by Mrs. Kroft. Supper was also served in the Hall to many who remained.

The evening program consisted of two special songs and a very interesting and instructive address by Mrs. Kroft. A recitation was given by Miss Mary Mason, of Guilford. There was a free will offering of ten dollars. There was a large and attentive audience and sixteen new members were secured and much temperance sentiment created. The county convention will be held in September at Guilford.—Mrs. Sallie Bonham, Press Supt.

The Smithville W. C. T. U. held an all-day meeting with Mesdames Wm. and Curtis Reynolds on Thursday, April 28. The morning was spent in pleasant and helpful conversation, and at noon a bounteous dinner was served.

At 2 p. m. the gathering was called to order by the President, Mrs. Louis Litz, who read Hebrews 2. The Union joined in singing Nearer My God To Thee and were lead in prayer by the Vice-President, Mrs. Louisa Leonard. The following program was enjoyed: Reading, "A Snake Bite and Its Cure," Mrs. G. W. Oldham; General Discussion on the Use of Liquor Now and in the Past, and the Sale of It by the Italians to the Men Employed in the Quarries. Reading, "Water Purer Than Wine," Mrs. Fox; Reading, "Lord Give Me a Mother," Mrs. Edith Bowers; Reading, "A Railroad Man's Prayer," Mrs. Leonard. Business Discussion in which one new member was added to the Union.—Edna Hainey, Press Supt.

The College Corner, Ohio, W. C. T. U. gave a farewell reception to Rev. W. M. Lorimer and wife at the home of Mrs. Bertha Miller, April 29. Rev. Lorimer has been the pastor of the United Presbyterian Church at this place for the past five years, and has stood boldly for temperance

came dry. The W. C. T. U. will miss both Mr. and Mrs. Lorimer as members and staunch friends and we trust their work may be blessed at all times, and especially when the town be-wherever their lot may be cast.

Grant County Central Committee held a meeting recently at which Mrs. Angelina Pearson of Fairmount, was appointed county superintendent of Sabbath Observance in the place of Mrs. Lillie Baird, who resigned on account of ill health.

Hamilton County Institute was held in the Friends Church, Westfield, April 26-27. The first session Thursday evening, April 26. The church was elaborately decorated for the occasion. A drama, "An Evening With Miss Willard," was given by Westfield Union, and a Flag Drill by the young people, and an exercise by the ladies of Sheridan Union was one of the pleasing features of the evening, ending with a tableaux.

Wednesday morning, 27th, the Institute opened with devotional services by Grace Sloan. A testimony service by several ladies giving a Scriptural or scientific reason for working against the saloon, followed the devotional. The Strength and Weakness of Indiana Local Option Law was discussed and brought out many strong points, showing the necessity of delving at the root of this evil and of itself is a failure. "Tools in Type" was briefly discussed, and the sentiment prevailed that the members were not as familiar with our literature as they should be, and the call for subscriptions resulted in six new subscribers and three renewals to the Union Signal, and seven to the Crusader Monthly. Noon-tide Prayer, by Carrie Hutchens.

The devotional for the afternoon session was led by Rev. Wm. H. Bertram, followed by singing Crusade Glory Song. "Some Good Reasons Why Sunday Baseball Should Not Be Legalized," "The Coming Legislature," "Blind Tigers," and "Anti-Narcotics" were the subjects which occupied the afternoon, and were all ably handled and many truthful and logical statements were realized.

The address of the evening, by Miss Mary E. Woodard, was delivered in her own pleasant manner, and to an appreciative audience. In closing, all felt they had had a pleasant and Profitable day.—Melissa Emry, Secretary.

The Union County W. C. T. U., consisting of the College Corner (Ohio), and Liberty Unions, held an Institute at Liberty, with Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley as leader.

There was a good attendance of the county membership and some from other counties. The State program was used and many helpful discussions of live subjects. An excellent paper was read on The White Slave Traffic, which was ably discussed by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley and others, much interest was manifested. A Matron's Contest was held in the evening, conducted by Mrs. T. W. Records. There were seven contestants. All did well and deserve mention. Mrs. Clara Egan received the medal.

On account of the death of a near relative Mrs. Vayhinger was called from an engagement and Mrs. Stanley had to leave her own county Institute to fill Mrs. Vayhinger's date.

The County Vice-President, Mrs. Elizabeth Coughlin, was in charge of the evening meeting, which was a success—she was assisted by one of the members. There was a good house, door receipts over fifteen dollars.

Liberty Union is having a membership contest—the members are divided equally, the reds and the blues. Both sides are working hard. Mrs. Coughlin writes: "We hope to make a clean sweep of Liberty and vicinity by getting every woman that is now outside of the W. C. T. U. Whichever side beats must give a reception to the new members and to the defeated side."

Floyd County Institute was held at Galena, April 13-14 in the M. E. Church. It was opened with an oratorical contest. The class consisted of five young ladies. Miss Cecil Farnesby carried off the medal. Mrs. Kroft, state evangelist and institute leader, delighted the audience contest evening with a song "Victory," which was very inspiring. The morning of the 14th Mrs. Kroft took up the regular state program, carrying it out in full. All seemed very much interested in the different subjects and took an active part in the discussions that followed, more especially the subjects "Sabbath Observance" and "The White Slave Trade." An excellent dinner was served by the ladies of the local union at the home of the local president.

In the evening Mrs. Kroft gave a stirring temperance address, preceded by a reading by Mrs. Ida Woefling, entitled "The Factory Chimney." Great interest was manifested by the people throughout the entire Institute. Much good must follow.—Mrs. R. K. Pritchett.

The Steuben County W. C. T. U. institute was held in the Congregational Church at Angola Friday and Saturday, April 29-30. Delegates from Ray, Freemont and Pleasant Lake were in attendance. The Angola union had made great plans for the convenience of their guests, and for the success of the meeting. The ministers of the town showed their interest in the work, both by their attendance and their readiness to take part in the program.

We were very sorry that our county president, Mrs. Mary McTaggart, was not able to be present, but considered ourselves very fortunate indeed to have our state president, Mrs. Vayhinger,

with us as institute leader. Also Mrs. Perkins, of Ft. Wayne, was with us all through the meeting and won the hearts of the women by her very helpful and interesting talks.

The state program was carried out as nearly as possible and the subjects were very ably presented by those having them in charge. The result was a very interesting and helpful institute. Miss Bertha Clawson, who was an Angola lady, but who for twelve years has been a missionary in Japan, was presented to the institute and gave a short talk on Intemperance in Japan, which was much appreciated. The young people of the town furnished music during the different sessions.

Mrs. Vayhinger lectured in Freemont on Saturday evening and preached in Ray on Sunday morning. Mrs. Perkins spoke in the M. E. Church in Freemont on Sunday morning, and both returned to Angola for Sunday evening, where they held a mass meeting of all the churches.

As a result of the institute Angola and Freemont are both rejoicing over several additional members, both active and honorary, and the slogan for the county is "One Hundred New Members Before Convention Time Next Fall."—Elnora G. McNaughton.

Warrick County Institute was held at Boonville in the Main Street M. E. Church, April 25 and 26. Mrs. Retta Jones, leader. An oratorical contest for a silver medal was held on the first evening. There were six girls and one boy in the contest. All did well. There were five musical selections interspersed between speeches. Miss Opal Morrison, a silver medal holder, sang while the judges were out. Miss Elda Jenkins won the medal. In behalf of the Boonville W. C. T. U. Mrs. Retta Jones presented all of the contestants with a bunch of carnations tied with white ribbon.

The Institute proper was opened the next morning, with Mrs. Jennie Roegle, county president, in the chair. There was a good attendance and much interest in "A Ten Minute Talk" by ten ladies, giving a Scriptural reason for working against the saloon. Address of welcome by Sue K. Hart, response by Mrs. Retta Jones. In the afternoon Mrs. Snyder, of Evansville, read a paper on "The White Slave Trade." Mrs. Marion Parker read paper on "Anti Narcotics." The discussions were interesting and helpful. The evening meeting was well attended and Mrs. Retta Jones made a good address which was well received. There were eight new members received. The Boonville members were pleased to have the Institute and feel profited and encouraged.—Mrs. George Trimble.

Huntington County W. C. T. U. Institute was held in Roanoke, April 21-22, with Mrs. C. J. Vayhinger, state president, as leader. On Thursday evening, the 21st, a gold medal contest was held, and on Friday evening an interesting and inspiring address was given by Mrs. Vayhinger, subject, "What Next?"

County superintendents were appointed for the following departments: "Medal Contest," "Work Among Railroad Employees," and "Purity in Literature and Art." Topics presented: "The Strength and weakness of Indiana Local Option Law," "State-wide Prohibition the Only Real Solution of the Liquor Problem," "The Necessity for Federal Legislation to Make State Prohibition Effective," "Child Labor," "Purity," "Traffic in Women," "Juvenile Courts," and "Co-operation with Missionary Societies." The attendance and interest was good and during the Institute several gave their names for membership in the W. C. T. U.—Mrs. H. C. Foote, County Pres.

Everton, LaFayette County, W. T. C. U. met with Mrs. Sophia Piper, April 13. Interesting selections and a paper were read, and talks by the members in regard to examples of parents and elders before children, who are great imitators, and whose models should be always the best. After the program a social hour was enjoyed, the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Eva Piper, serving refreshments of cake, fruit and coffee. A pleasant and profitable afternoon was spent.—Mannie Trusler Bonifel, Press Supt.

Lawrence County W. C. T. U. held an Institute at Oolitic, April 15th and 16th. Friday evening was devoted to a program for the children. Solos and choruses, together with readings by six little girls, made every one glad they were there. Saturday morning the audience sang "The Fight Is On," which seemed very appropriate. Rec. E. A. Hartsaw led the devotions, conducting a ten-minutes testimony meeting, each giving a good reason for working against saloons. At the noon hour the ladies repaired to the Kern Hotel with their lunch boxes and a bountiful repast was enjoyed by all. The afternoon was devoted to reading papers on various subjects and discussing "What the W. C. T. U. will do After State-wide Prohibition is Assured." In the evening Miss Mary E. Woodard gave an interesting talk on the different departments of work, encouraging the band of workers to press on, victory is ahead. She expressed herself as being pleased to find such an enthusiastic little Union in our town. Her presence and helpful words gave us new confidence in ourselves, and we're more determined to stay with the army of W. C. T. U. workers until the kingdom of old alcohol is completely overthrown.—Mrs. Chas. Farmer, Cor. Secy. Oolitic Union.

was given which was highly enjoyed by all. The Institute opened at 9:00 a. m. by singing the National Temperance Song to the music of the Glory Song. The Scripture lesson was read by Mrs. Hahn of Indianapolis. After several splendid papers on the leading topics of the day were given by the members of the Frances Willard Union and visiting members, Mrs. Schneider gave a most excellent convincing and inspiring paper on the White Slave Traffic. It showed us all there was a great work to be done in that line. We then adjourned with noontide prayer. The afternoon session opened with singing "I need Thee Every Hour." Mrs. Cosby read six chapters of John for the Scripture lesson. A circle of prayer was then held, in which many took part. After singing "Nearer My God to Thee" the minister took part the remainder of the afternoon. There were four subscriptions to the Crusader and one new member, and also four subscriptions to the Union Signal. The regular meeting of the Frances Willard W. C. T. U. was held in the rest rooms on Monday, May 2. In place of the regular Bible reading, the Union will hold weekly gospel temperance meetings in different sections of the city, the minister belonging to our Union will conduct the service. Our next meeting will be a social meeting for the reception of new members. There were eight members present and one new member.—The Frances Willard Union, Evansville, Ind.

Wayne County W. C. T. U. Institute met in South Eighth street, Friends' Church, Richmond, with Mrs. Culla Vayhinger as leader, May 6 and 7. On Friday night Mrs. Vayhinger gave one of her characteristic addresses, showing the effects of alcohol in heredity and other evils that flow from the drink traffic. On Saturday, in spite of the unfavorable weather, a goodly number of the faithful met to confer on the subjects that are of such vital interest to the welfare of the nation. The session opened with an interesting testimony meeting on "Why I am a Member of the W. C. T. U." conducted by Mrs. O. N. Huff. A plea was made for our official papers under the title of "Tools in Type," by Mrs. Nettie Traum, and a few subscriptions taken. Mrs. Hannah Stanley spoke earnestly on "What Will There Be for the W. C. T. U. to do when we have State-Wide Prohibition." She said state-wide prohibition will not solve the problem. If it did, for fifty years we will have work to do in taking care of the results of the saloon. The world will never outgrow the need of organized mother love, and we need it in Uncle Sam's housekeeping, as well as other places. Women have blazed the way in many lines and made it possible for men to do great things. "The Strength and Weakness of the Local Option Law" was ably discussed by Mrs. Vayhinger. Under our present law we have some dry spots that would not be dry under a smaller unit. Homes and business have been helped by voting out saloons. The principle of local option is wrong for God has given but one rule for dealing with evil. It gives a county the right to vote the saloon out, but it also gives them the right to vote them in, and settles the question for only two years. "We'll make the map all white," was sung with spirit by Mrs. Emma Hadley, the institute joining in the chorus. Judge Fox, who was to have spoken on the "Work of the Juvenile Court," was too busy to be present, and Mrs. V. remarked that since Grant County has voted out saloons the judges have time to come. Rev. Truman Kenworthy gave an interesting talk on "The White Slave Traffic." He said thousands come into this country through ports of entry under various disguises for immoral purposes. There is great danger of the segregation of vice in our cities. The tendency is in that direction. On Sunday morning Mrs. Vayhinger spoke in Cambridge City and in the afternoon she addressed a mass meeting in Richmond.

Blackford County Institute. A great success. It was held at Montpelier in the M. E. church, and was pronounced by the state and county workers as being one of the best that they ever attended in Indiana. Every Union of the county was represented, as members were present from Hartford City, Millgrove, Roll and Fairview. Rev. T. E. Kinneman and wife were in attendance from Petroleum. Mrs. S. M. Stahl, of Hartford City, in charge. On the first evening Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, state president, delivered an excellent address: Her subject was What Next? The situation in Indiana was reviewed. In part she said: "We now have seventy counties that have voted out the saloon, but we have twenty-two that have retained them. What has been the object of the expenditure of the vast sums of money, the energy and time in doing this work? Has it been that Grant, Madison, Delaware and the other sixty-nine counties have done this in order that they may receive no more money from this unholy traffic? Has it been because we have decided we will no longer lengthen our school term with this bloody revenue? Is it that we have desired to put out a saloon here and one there, in this county or that? No. It has been an effort to get rid of the effects of the liquor traffic. This we have not done because the law which gave the men of Grant County the right to vote out the saloon gave a vicious or misguided majority a right to vote it in in Blackford, Cass and Wayne Counties. What shall be the attitude of the state under

these conditions? The highest purpose of the state is to protect its majority in the exercise of its rights, as well as protect every community from a selfish or vicious majority which forgets the rights of other men, women and children in the exercise of what they please to call their 'personal liberty.' These wet counties accept the revenue, apply it to local government, then send to our state institutions the larger part of the products of their saloons and the tax payers who have conscientiously voted theirs out must help maintain these institutions. In justice to her men, women and children, Indiana can do nothing less than give us state wide prohibition." The musical selections were good. "Protection for Your Home" and "Fill the Ranks with Voters" were sung with spirit. A beautiful and touching solo by Miss Edna Shannan was followed by the splendid anthem "Stand Up for Jesus," by the choir. There was a good attendance of representative citizens. The first day of the Institute opened auspiciously by the Leader, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley. "Make the Map All White" was sung with enthusiasm. A hearty welcome was extended all visiting members by Mrs. Stahl in her earnest sweet manner, responded to by Mrs. Stanley. Rev. Meyers spoke on the weak and strong points of local option law which is a means to the end—the end being total abstinence for the individual and prohibition for the state. The subject of Rev. Bardemeiers' talk was "The Agitation for High Licence." He made plain the fact that a thing which is in itself wrong can not be made right by license and spoke of the limit to woman's help in the temperance work because they are denied the ballot, though they are the chief sufferers from the saloon. Prof. L. E. Kelley, in his talk on the Juvenile Courts emphasized the great need of work among the unfortunate children. While women are handicapped by not having use of the ballot, they can do, and are doing, most effective work in this line. Mrs. Elizabeth Likely gave an interesting talk on "The Passing of Advertisements of Intoxicating Liquors, Patent Medicines and Other Habit Forming Drugs from Our Best Papers and Magazines." This was followed by a discussion of the White Slave Traffic by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, and noontide prayer. The members then adjourned for dinner, which was served by the local Union in the basement of the church.

The evening preceding the Institute a silver medal contest was held by Mrs. T. S. Wade, county superintendent of medal contest department. The judges were Mrs. H. B. George, Prof. Joseph H. Shock and Miss Ruth Springfield. The program opened with an organ voluntary by Ora B. Slater. There were six contestants. The speeches were all well rendered. Several selections were given by the quartette of the West Side Baptist Church, and there were vocal solos by A. E. Cobb and Mrs. Joseph Pauly. A piano solo by Cleone Brown and a violin selection by Charles Martin. The medal was awarded to Miss Mary Blinn, after which Mrs. Kroft made a short address.

Mrs. Gillette read a good and instructive paper on Woman's Ballot. This was followed by a physical culture drill by Mrs. Ritter of Hartford City. Mrs. Ritter was followed by an interesting paper physical culture. A duet by Mrs. Sample and Mrs. Ritter was followed by an interesting paper on Anti-Narcotics department of the W. C. T. U. by Mrs. Shannon. A very good and interesting paper was read by Mrs. Wearly on "When We Have State-wide Prohibition." "Relation of Dress to Vice" was the subject of a cleverly written paper by Miss Poer, followed by a temperance song by Mrs. Wearly "When Indiana's Dry." Mr. and Mrs. Morris of the Main Street Church, spoke words of cheer and encouragement. The closing session of the Institute, which was the best ever held in the county, opened by special music by the choir and solos by Miss Meeks and Mrs. Kramer. Mrs. Stanley's address of the evening on "The Tricks of the Trade" was a splendid effort. Mrs. Stanley has been in every county in the state since her last visit to this county not long ago, and has obtained for her own use in lecture work statistics from the county records, so that her statements were from personal knowledge and carried conviction with them. She emphasized the point that while the saloon forces make a strong point of how much they put into the school funds, they do not say a word about the board bills of the drunks at the county jails. She found that in the past year there were in the county jails 13,437 able-bodied men, 563 women, and 49 boys under 14 years of age, because of drink. Certainly the expense of keeping these would be no small matter. It was found that in ten states 56 per cent of insanity was due to the use of alcohol. And among 1,200 young men confined at Jeffersonville 90 per cent of them were born in drunken homes. She also reviewed the great prosperity of the dry states, such as Maine, which has \$22,000,000 more money in its banks than Ohio with six times the population of Maine. She also told of the splendid condition of Kansas since adopting state-wide prohibition, as told in a letter which she received from the governor of that state. In closing she said "The saloon has been forced to move from one wet spot to another until they don't know where they will camp at night. We are going to camp at the place of the next Legislature and present a petition, yards long, asking for state-wide prohibition and that it be made a part of

the constitution. All that the people want in order that they do the right, is to see the right." A solo by Mrs. Watts was very appropriate and enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Johns, of Hartford City, conducted the devotional service in the afternoon. "Some Practical Results of the Local Option Law," incidents that have come to the knowledge of the W. C. T. U. workers, was forcefully presented by Mrs. Stahl. The spirited discussion that followed was led by Mrs. Vayhinger. "What the Temperance Forces Will Try to Accomplish and What the Liquor Forces Will Seek to Do" was discussed in an interesting manner by Mrs. Stanley. "Blind Tigers, and How to Open the Eyes of Blind Officers" was the subject of a practical address by Rev. Hallman, of Willgrove. The "Model License" League, What Is It? was discussed by Rev. McCormick, of Hartford City, who told of existing conditions in Blackford county which resulted from non-enforcement of the law.

Our Promoted Comrades



MRS. CATHERINE M. STEVENS.

The Sweetser W. C. T. U. sustained a great loss in the death of one of its charter members, Catherine M. Stephens, who went to her Heavenly home April 10, 1910, at the age of 82 years, five months and seven days. She was united in marriage to Alfred M. Stephens May 29, 1849. Nine children blessed this union, four being members of the Sweetser W. C. T. U.: Mrs. Anna Fox, our beloved president; Mrs. Amanda Flinn, Mrs. Kate Stevens, our secretary, and Benoni Stevens. She became a member of the M. E. Church at the tender age of 10 years, and was a devoted Christian all her life. Her faith was remarkable in its childlike simplicity. Three years ago the 13th of March the husband and companion of her youth passed on before her. Since that time she has resided with her daughter, Mrs. Amanda Flinn. She carried out the principles of the W. C. T. U. in her life of hopefulness to all, and especially to the most needy. Surely her life exemplified the truth of the old hymn she loved to sing:

I'm on my way to Canaan, I'll bid this world farewell;
Come on my fellow travelers, in spite of earth or hell;
Though Satan's army rages and all his hosts combine,
Yet Scripture doth engage us the strength of love divine.

Our Union is poorer and heaven is richer.

Mrs. M. G. Davis was called to her heavenly home in February, leaving a two weeks old baby and four other small children. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her, for she was of a cheerful disposition and always kind to all who knew her. Her heart was in the temperance work. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved husband and family.—Montpelier W. C. T. U.

Mrs. William Law, a faithful member of the Newburgh Union, died April 3, aged 52 years. She was the mother of five children, two of whom preceded her to the great beyond. She was a faithful wife and devoted mother. The Christ whom she had sought and found as a personal Saviour in her early girlhood days and had gladdened her life ever since, steadied and comforted her in her last hours. She lived a life that daily grew brighter until it ended here, to brighten into the perfect day hereafter. Her children will think of her happy spirit, and will recall how she gladdened the lives of all who came within the scope of her influence. Religion to her was a life unfolding itself in good deeds. She had a full, rich, happy religious experience and lived in communion and fellowship with God. She was laid to rest in beautiful Rose Hill Cemetery, Revs. Godbey and Lawburgh, officiating.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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LIQUOR DEALERS IN NATIONAL CONVENTION DECIDE TO "EDUCATE THE PEOPLE."

Declare "Prohibition a Proved Failure," But Agree to Continue Nation-Wide Fight Against It.

(Associated Prohibition Press.)

"Go into politics heart and soul!"

"Oppose the enforcement of 'unjust' and 'oppressive' laws!"

"The education of the American people in the matter of liquor legislation must be undertaken by our organizations!"

These were the keynotes of the half thousand drink sellers who gathered from all sections of the United States as delegates to the fifteenth annual convention of the National Wholesale Liquor Dealers' Association, held in Cincinnati, May 23 to 27.

The significant feature of the council of war is the new attitude assumed by this organization of drink distributors, which is epitomized in these words of Bonfort's Wine and Spirit Circular for May 25:

"The 1910 convention brings with it the dawn of a new spirit and hope in the trade; a new idea that is backed by a manly courage and a grim determination to see it through.

"This new thought has to do with the Prohibition scourge. Heretofore this problem has been met always on the defensive. The new idea is to change this condition; to place the trade in an aggressive mood. This is to be done by inaugurating an energetic campaign for the licensed saloon—the saloon with Model License regulations."

Council Contradicts Own Optimistic Claims.

The convention was notable for its paradoxes and surprising contradictions. Although from first to last practically every speaker vied with all the rest in picturing the alleged failure of Prohibition wherever it has been "tried," yet, despite the wild and boastful claims that the so-called Prohibition "wave" was fast receding, the convention betrayed rather startling lack of confidence in its own assertion by determining upon the most vigorous and nation-wide agitation ever undertaken by the association.

The chief emphasis of the session was placed upon the suggestion of President Westheimer that steps should be taken to "bring our national and state associations into an immediate and close league or union."

"Think of the power of our united trades organized on the lines of United States of America, a state association in each state for all state questions, a national association composed of state associations to protect us in national affairs,"—this was the climax of the eloquent speech made by the president for the welding into one powerful unit of national influence and authority, the various divisions of the liquor traffic.

The convention rejoiced to learn, through a number of its speakers, that the factional fights between brewers and distillers were being eliminated, and that the entire trade was moving forward together more harmoniously than ever before.

Go Into Politics to the Limit.

The active participation of the liquor trade in politics was both defended and strenuously advocated by officers and delegates alike.

"Let us go into politics heart and soul," boldly exhorted the president, adding the plausible excuse, "so as to release our business from the political game,"—"releasing" of course, by the expected control of the states and grip upon dominant politicians which the "trade" blithely hopes to secure and maintain for all time to come.

That this thought was really in the mind of the president when he made his appeal to the delegates of the convention, is shown in a later paragraph of his annual address.

"As a matter of policy and as a means of securing permanently better conditions, it seems clear that our best efforts should be employed in aiding in the nomination and election of a better class of legislators," continued Mr. Westheimer.

"Educate the People"—Cry the Liquor Dealers.

Next to political action the "education" of the people as to the wholesome, moral and patriotic qualities of the alcoholic drink traffic appeared to be the pet hobby of the leaders at the Cincinnati council.

"The education of the American people in the matter of liquor legislation must be undertaken by our organization," declared Emil Nathan, millionaire maker of cocktails, brandies, cordials and wine, who by reason of popular "ignorance" as to the great economic value and social importance of his "business," has been compelled to recently pack up his wares and machinery and move out of the fanatical state of Tennessee into the more liberal license atmosphere of Missouri and her metropolis, St. Louis.

"There could be no better vehicle for the dissemination of information than the machinery of this organization," continued Mr. Nathan, "and

what is a matter of absolute impossibility for any one person or one locality to accomplish, can be accomplished by united intelligence, and by well-organized effort."

In accordance with this line of thought millions of leaflets have been circulated in no-license campaigns across the country by the liquor dealers during the past few years. Millions of dollars have been spent in the newspapers for "legitimate" trade advertising as well as for anti-Prohibition argument; but the most ambitious production yet ventured is a large volume just painstakingly compiled by Joseph DeBar, secretary of the National Association, in which is compiled a great mass of anti-Prohibition testimony from men prominent in one way or another during the past century.

A copy of this book of DeBar's has been sent to each of the three thousand five hundred libraries throughout the United States which have over five thousand volumes listed in their possession. The book has also been freely distributed to United States Senators, Congressmen, Governors of all the states in the Union, and other men prominent in the political and professional world. "That this book possesses a wonderful educational value no one will question," comments Bonfort's Circular as it "embodies the views of many such as President Taft, President Eliot of Harvard, Governor Patterson of Tennessee, all of whom are quoted at considerable length."

Advocate Law-Breaking—But Denounce Law-Breakers.

"We have for years through our national and state organizations, fought a gallant fight opposing the enforcement of laws which are as clearly unconstitutional as they are unjust and oppressive," the liquor dealers' president declares in his annual address, recalling by its peculiar similarity, the brazen advice of the *Brewers' Journal* for May, that "the liquor trade cannot and will not observe laws made to cripple them."

PRESBYTERIAN GENERAL ASSEMBLY AGAIN TAKES HIGH GROUND ON PROHIBITION.

Despite Misleading Dispatches, Official Council of Great Denomination Enthusiastically Adopts Declaration on Political Attitude Presented by Homer Castle.

Again Endorses National Inter-Church Temperance Federation, and Favors Congressional Commission of Inquiry to Investigate the Liquor Traffic.

Prohibition enthusiasm reached high water mark and registered in militant declaration at the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church just closed at Atlantic City, New Jersey.

The aggressive work carried on by its permanent committee on temperance was heartily approved by the Assembly, and in ringing resolutions that spoke with concrete effectiveness, the official representatives of the great Presbyterian denomination went squarely on record as opposing every compromise and complicity with the liquor traffic, again voiced its approval of the National Inter-Church Temperance Federation, warned its members both against the use of intoxicants, signing applications for saloon licenses, renting property for liquor purposes, endorsing bonds of saloon-keepers, or "in any other way aiding or abetting this heinous evil."

But the most impressive and significant pronouncement of the Assembly on the liquor question was that presented by Hon. Homer L. Castle, the nationally known Prohibition leader of Pittsburgh.

This resolution provoked some discussion on the part of the more timid and conservative commissioners present, but despite the misleading press dispatches, the Assembly approved it word for word as introduced, with overwhelming applause. The text of this resolution is as follows:

"The Presbyterian Church must ever be the open, active and persistent enemy of the liquor traffic in all its forms. We declare any form of license under any name or guise is permission and not destruction, and therefore unchristian. We solemnly admonish our people to keep themselves socially, financially and politically separate and apart from the liquor traffic, and to touch not the unclean thing, to the end that this traffic may, by organic law, be expelled from our land and our people saved from its despoiling influence."

In addition to this action, the Assembly authorized its permanent committee to memorialize Congress in favor of the passage of legislation creating a commission in inquiry to investigate and report upon every phase of the liquor traffic; to favor the passage of the Gallinger-Bennett Bill for the District of Columbia; to favor the passage of the Hamilton-Owen-McGuire Bill establishing a Prohibition zone of 25 miles around all Indian territory; and to use its utmost effort in behalf of such legislation as will adequately pro-

tect Prohibition territory against interstate shipments of liquor.

The Assembly approved of an appropriation of \$35,000 for the Permanent Committee's use during the coming year.

At the great temperance rally on Friday evening, May 27, addresses which stirred the vast audience to tremendous enthusiasm were delivered by the Rev. E. Trumbull Lee, D. D., of Pittsburgh, the Hon. Homer L. Castle, and the Hon. Richmond P. Hobson, Congressman from Alabama.

The Permanent Committee on Temperance reported that during the past year nearly 850 meetings were held by representatives in twenty-five states and territories; the equivalent of more than eighteen million pages of literature in seven languages distributed; more than twenty-five thousand personal communications mailed to church workers; seventy-five thousand copies of Temperance Program and more than fifty thousand pledge cards issued and used on Temperance Sundays; while two Associated Secretaries and one lecturer on Scientific Temperance have been employed during the entire year and two other field workers for a part of the year; all at a total aggregate expense of less than \$22,000.

COLUMBUS, O., June 7.—The Ohio Supreme Court decided today that a brewer can not make beer in a "dry" territory and then sell it back into the "dry" county from a "wet" one. The case was that of August Walder, who has a brewery at Archibald, Fulton County, and offices in Henry County. The court held that he must pay a fine of \$170 for selling in Fulton, which is "dry."—Indianapolis News.

The convention of the National Wholesale Liquor Dealers' Association, held a few days ago, pledged a fund of \$150,000 for "defense," which money will doubtless be spent in circulating ingenious leaflets written to contradict prohibition statements, and to try to subsidize the press. If you want to know the best arguments in refutation of these misstatements they will be found in *The Union Signal* and other publications issued by the National W. C. T. U.

SUPREME COURT DECISIONS.

The Supreme Court of Illinois a short time ago, handed down this decision: "We are of the opinion that the statute limiting the time to ten hours in any one day in which a female shall work in any mechanical establishment or factory or laundry is a legitimate exercise of the police power of the state." In connection with the opinion this statement was made "what is known to all men and what we know as men, we cannot profess to be ignorant of as judges." This knowledge is of course, that women have very sharp physical limitations, even if the average woman does have a 24-hour day while her children are small, as her face clearly indicates in a few years.

It is estimated that 30,000 women and girls who are working more than ten hours a day will at once be free from overstrain, by the rigid enforcement of this law, and many more will be relieved of the necessity of working overtime in periods of overwork.

The Supreme Court of Arkansas on yesterday decided that growers of grapes or berries may make wine thereof and sell same in original packages of not less than five gallons, when properly labeled, even in prohibition territory, in the absence of special statutes.—Exchange.

The new bulletin issued by the Department of Agriculture is called the "Farmers' Bulletin 393," and after reviewing the unsatisfactory effects of loosely restricted legislation, federal, state and territorial, which has been in force for some years past, declares that the only practical way of dealing with the question of habit-forming drugs is the four-fold plan of education, absolute national Prohibition, district, state and federal supervision of the sale for scientific and medicinal purposes and the complete forbidding of shipment in interstate commerce of habit-forming drugs or preparations containing them, except through the customary channels of trade, and then only when complete records of all transactions are kept.

"Enact laws forbidding the sale of all pernicious habit-forming drugs such as cocaine, morphine, opium, heroin, etc., and their derivatives and preparations, at retail, except on prescriptions of physicians, dentists, or veterinarians,"—so runs the recommendation made by Dr. L. S. Kebler, chief of the division of drugs in the government bureau of chemistry in this Bulletin 393.

Except for the nation's complicity in the liquor business the awful results of the use of alcohol would also demand attention and legislation.

All W. C. T. U. Members who can attend Winona Assembly or Bible Conference this year are asked to meet at 2 p. m. in the grounds at the front of the auditorium on Saturday, August 20.

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Spectacular Parades—The temperance people have the subjects for very spectacular floats, pennants, streamers and horse blankets (I Pull for Prohibition for instance).

If three months' time was taken in which to quietly plan for a temperance parade, hundreds and thousands of people could be interested.

To select some Saturday afternoon and see the leaders of all Sunday schools in the county or township, leaders of all the temperance organizations and active temperance men, make definite plans for a parade and proceed to business. Much advertising would bring many into the parade and also bring great crowds of people to town. The announcement that this would be an annual affair would help to increase the attendance another year.

Our temperance people must do something to arouse sentiment everywhere against the liquor business.

The State L. T. L. convention at Greensburg should be attended by all W. C. T. U.'s who live convenient to Greensburg.

To wish a cause to succeed is not enough. Help it on. Every person who is present will help to inspire the young people. Go!

Indiana needs the efforts of young people to help overthrow the saloon and brewery. The boys and girls can do much, and will if they have the unselfish encouragement of a thousand men and women.

The amount of real interest you have in the L. T. L. convention can be measured by what you do to help it on.

To be sure it is a young people's meeting, but the meeting will be greatly benefited by the presence of yourself and some one young person you can invite to go with you. The reason Indiana does not now have prohibition is just because not enough people want it to really count.

Attend the L. T. L. convention at Greensburg!!

The Prohibition Tent meetings are being well attended. Everywhere our temperance people should help these meetings. Encourage the boys and girls to help by songs, speeches and especially by attending.

The Union Signal subscription list grows. Who will receive the ten dollars in gold offered to the person who secures the greatest number of annual subscriptions before September 1?

The Crusader Monthly would be an appropriate gift to each contestant who fails to win a medal My, but such seed sown would surely reap a rich harvest. We must secure the boys and girls for our temperance work.

WINONA BIBLE CONFERENCE.

August 21 to August 30.

At this time great numbers of W. C. T. U. members and their friends will be at Winona Lake.

A W. C. T. U. Register will be placed in some public place about August 18 and remain there until close of Bible Conference. All White Ribboners are urged to register. Announcement of place of the W. C. T. U. register will be made in the postoffice.

Prohibition Advance—States dry, nine: Maine, Kansas, North Dakota, Georgia, Oklahoma, Alabama, Mississippi, North Carolina and Tennessee prohibit the manufacture and sale within their borders.

Many states have dry territory.
Indiana with 92 counties has 70 dry counties.
Ohio has 88 counties, 66 dry.
Texas has 250 counties, 185 dry.
South Carolina has only six wet counties.
Florida has a few wet counties and in November the people of the state will vote on Prohibition.
New York has over 400 dry towns.

Clinton County W. C. T. U. held its convention and institute at Mulberry M. E. church, April 20-21st. The morning session of the first day was devoted to the business of the convention. In the afternoon the delegates and visitors were greeted by a few well chosen words by Mrs. Bertha Rothenberger. In response Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, our State President, gave a talk on the organization of the work. There were also interesting and instructive talks given by Rev. Seiberling and Rev. Trinkle. At the evening session an able address was given by Mrs. Culla J.

Vayhinger, her subject being "What Next." Miss Orpha Smith favored the audience with a solo, "Nearer Lord to Thee."

Thursday morning's session was devoted to the following subjects: "Woman's Ballot For the King's Business," "Our Young People's Word—National Plan," "Blind Tigers and How to Open the Eyes of Blind Officers," and "White Slave Traffic." This session was perhaps the most interesting of the convention. Thursday evening there was a Gold Medal Contest and a large audience was in attendance. Will Sheffler of Rossville, won the medal to the satisfaction of the audience.

There was special music by the M. E. choir which was very much appreciated. The Mulberry Union is glad for the opportunity it had of entertaining the County Institute, although it is already very much awake, having a membership of over one hundred. The Convention aroused interest and did much good which will result in a renewed zeal among its members.



MRS. AMANDA SMITH,
Oxford, Ind.

Who has the love and respect of all Benton County W. C. T. U.'s as she has served them so loyally and faithfully as President for the past nine years. We have accomplished, and are going to continue accomplishing many things under her efficient leadership for our beloved cause.

The Sixteenth Annual Convention of the Senior Loyal Temperance Legion of the State of Indiana, will meet at Greensburg, Ind., on July 6-7-8. First Session will be held July 6, at 1:30 p. m., and convention will close at noon July 8.

The Convention will be entertained by the Greensburg Women's Christian Temperance Union. This annual meeting shall be composed of the executive committee and all paid-up graduates in attendance. Annual dues are 26 cents, and must be paid by June 20th.

The Executive Committee is composed of President, Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary, and State Organizer, together with State General Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Financial Director Secretary, State Superintendents of Departments, State Agent for Crusader Monthly, County and Local Superintendents and County Presidents.

Leaguers let us make this the Greatest convention ever held. Let its influence and enthusiasm spread far and wide. We need to rally around our standards as never before, during this crisis of our beloved L. T. L. Every senior legioner in Indiana is welcome in this convention. Come and bring enthusiasm with you.

BLANCHE THORNE, President.

The Loyal Temperance Legion State Convention will be entertained by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Greensburg, July 6-7-8. Let every Legion in the State send delegates. The first session will open at 1:30 p. m., Wednesday, the 6th. Be on time, and hear our President's address. That evening will be given over to the Graduates and Alumni Association, with an address by Rev. Shannon of Marion. The second day to reports of Officers and Superintendents, with an address by our State W. C. T. U. President, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger. By this time I know all reports have been sent in, and every Legioner's dues sent on to our State Treasurer, and you are all ready to start to Greensburg on the morning of the 6th, and I will meet you there. Yours truly, MRS. IDA M. NIX, Kokomo, General State Secretary.

NEARLY \$100,000,000 MORE ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS BOUGHT BY AMERICAN VICTIMS SO FAR THIS YEAR THAN LAST, IS RECORD AS COMPARED WITH PRECEDING TWELVEMONTH.

Not less than 58,172,337 more gallons of beer were used during the past nine months than during same nine months of the preceding fiscal year. Everywhere the liquor business is showing a remarkable recovery from the temporary ebb of its trade and commerce during the twenty months following the 1907 panic.

The liquor press has changed its tone and spirit. From picturing the somber and expected doom, they have turned to delightful unrestrained rejoicing over what they claim to be a triumph of the traffic over all the forces allied against it.

Prohibition Officers are necessary to the enforcement of prohibition and local option laws.

KANSAS MAYORS IN CONVENTION BOOM PROHIBITION STATE.

The league of Kansas municipalities held its first meeting in Wichita on May 18. Thirty-five mayors from the principal cities of the state came together and the testimony was notable for its enthusiastic endorsement of the new system of Prohibition enforcement.

Perhaps no feature of the meeting was more interesting than the report of public improvements in which every city in the state seemed to share. Practically every town either owns its electric light plant or is preparing to purchase it. Almost without exception the cities and towns of the state are supplying their own water. All Kansas mayors said that their cities were getting a dollar's worth for every dollar invested, and few of them were on other than a cash basis. The splendid effect of commission rule government were emphasized by many. It seemed to be common opinion that practically every city in the state would change to the commission form as soon as the matter can be referred to popular vote.

PROHIBITION WITHOUT A PARTY BEHIND IT.

Tennessee's Democrats outraged at the treachery of their Governor and his alliance with interests of graft and drink, have just held an extraordinary meeting at Nashville at which an independent ticket for judges was put in the field and defiance of their state machine voiced in ringing resolutions, but strange as it may seem not a single word escaped the lips of the Resolution Committee or any speaker on that occasion regarding the Prohibition issue which just now is a paramount question before the voters of that state.

In Georgia, new evidence transpires as to the conspiracy which is developing among Democratic politicians for the overthrow of State Prohibition. Judge Richard B. Russell of the Georgia Court of Appeals and a well known Democratic leader has just announced that he will be a candidate for the Governorship of Georgia on a plank demanding return to the local option method of dealing with the liquor traffic.

40,000 MARCHING PROHIBITIONISTS STIR MINNEAPOLIS.

"Nail up the Brewery and the Distillery,—and the Saloons, Blind Pigs, and the Speak-easies will take care of themselves,"—this pointed slogan shone out from a thousand pennants carried in the greatest Prohibition demonstration ever seen in the West, at Minneapolis, Saturday, May 14th.

Every division of the great army of liquor-fighters was strongly represented. Hundreds of floats and beautifully draped automobiles and carriages were in line and even William Hamm, a big local brewer boss, was dumb with amazement at the sights and refused to say a single word for publication, although repeatedly importuned to do so.

The splendid impression made upon the public in general by the demonstration is thus voiced by the Minneapolis Journal:

"In the greatest temperance demonstration ever given in the west, Minneapolis people, engaged in fighting the liquor traffic, marched through the downtown streets yesterday, cheering, singing temperance songs and waving thousands of banners and flags bearing mottoes of their principles. Music from many bands and the playing of patriotic hymns on the courthouse chimes added stimulus to the marching column. The line marched without interruptions and it was an hour and a half in passing.

"The demonstration was at once enthusiastic and spectacular, and the actual participants were rivaled in their show of spirit by the thousands who lined the streets through which they marched.

"From windows, temporary platforms, balconies and fire escapes along the route, occupants of the downtown buildings viewed the marching column, while the sidewalks were packed with spectators from the curb to the building line.

"Songs from marching men, women and children and patriotic airs from the bands were answered by cheers from friends of the marchers who were on the walks.

"Almost every creed in the city, every organized temperance body, and every class of private citizens were represented. The church denominations were mingled with the temperance societies. Prophecies that it was to be a women's and children's parade were not realized, for there were long columns of marching men. The children and women were there in force, but the men were there as well."

The Tribune, in much the same vein, says: "Practically all business was temporarily suspended, street car lines were tied up, and citizens turned out en masse for a period of over two hours.

"Business houses and department stores along the way found themselves without customers during the progress of the parade and were compelled to give their employes a temporary holiday. With scarcely an exception every window was filled with spectators, while in many cases the people had crowded out over the cornices and on the sills.

"It seemed as if the entire population of Minneapolis was out.

"Scarcely a more spectacular parade was ever witnessed in the city. The unique design of floats, the band and drum majors, the flying pennants, prancing horses bedecked with ribbons and draped with ensigns that bore inscriptions, the automobiles, the marshals wrapped in their red and white sashes—all combined to form a scene that has had few parallels."

FLASHLIGHTS.

Disgrace comes not from standing alone, but from being wrong.

There were 786,000 arrests in the United States last year of which 350,000 were of drunken men.

An International War Council and Congress of brewers will be held at Brussels, Belgium, July 23-26, 1910.

The Panama Canal will cost, it is anticipated, nearly \$400,000,000. With the money paid for drink each year nearly five such canals could be completely paid for.

Clinton N. Howard has been secured to address a great rally in the largest hall of Kansas City, Kans., the Portsmouth Auditorium, on the evening of June 25.

For more than three hundred miles, or all the way from Little Rock, Arkansas, to Dallas, Texas, there is not a single wet town, the last one, Marshall, Texas, having been voted dry recently by two hundred majority.

A case involving the constitutionality of the recent amendment to the Prohibition law in Kansas, prohibiting the sale of liquor for medicinal or mechanical purposes or on the prescription of a physician, is now before the United States District Court of Kansas City, Kansas.

Prohibition and anti-narcotic literature is now being sent out in the Chinese language through the Oriental Secretary of the International Reform Bureau, Rev. E. W. Thwing, now located at Tientsin, China. He may be addressed at that city, care of the American Board.

A most interesting and suggestive article appears in the American Review of Reviews for May, which all Prohibitionists should read. It is entitled "The Problem of Waste in Public Expenditure" and the author is Myron T. Herrick. The startling extravagance of license city governments is extensively detailed.

One of the best indications of the growing importance of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is the large amount of space given it by the editors of our newspapers. Last year 80,489 columns are reported as being regularly filled, while 37,000 papers are reported as receiving and printing our communications.

"The evils of the night messenger service" is a stirring article which should fire the heart of every patriot. It appears in the Success Magazine for June, and is written by Leroy Scott, who with power and eloquence exposes the startling conditions under which thousands of youths are being degraded in our large cities where the liquor traffic is protected by the dominant parties.

We can evangelize the world in this generation. We now send rum to the nations of the world.

We will hasten the former by taking away the brooch of the latter.—Northwestern Patriot, Brookings, S. D.

Germany:—In Mecklenburg the dining cars and railroad restaurants are now compelled to serve non-alcohol drinks at low prices and to "offer" them as much as they do alcoholic drinks. The trainmen are allowed 50 per cent off on these drinks but nothing on alcoholic drinks.

The American Pharmaceutical Association in national convention at Richmond, Virginia, May 4, again placed itself on record as advocating the abolition of alcohol as a commodity of sale in all American drug stores. It also earnestly urged the elimination of all traffic in what is termed "habit-forming drugs."

The United Societies for Local Self Government (the champion of the brewers of Chicago and surrounding communities) is planning to extend its organization throughout the state of Illinois, and Sabbath Day, May 29, was desecrated by great rallies held in Chicago, at which time twenty-two cities were said to be represented in the organization.

Another straw which shows the growing trend of public sentiment in the South is found in the South Atlantic Quarterly of current date, in which William Garrett Brown declares that political solidarity is no longer a fetish with southern voters, and he declares the time is at hand when southern voters may assert their right of freedom to belong to any political party they choose or to no political party.

The World's Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held in Glasgow, Scotland, June 4-11.

There was a large attendance, great enthusiasm. The following officers were re-elected:

The Countess of Carlisle, England, President; Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, United States, Vice-President-at-Large; Miss Agnes Slack, England and Miss Anna Gordon, United States, Honorary Secretaries; Mrs. Mary E. Sanderson, Canada, Treasurer.

The Countess Carlisle, President, did not preside but a few times during the entire convention.

Our greatly admired and beloved Mrs. Stevens, presided with her usual dignity and splendid ability.

Many delegates and others would have been pleased to have had Mrs. Stevens placed at the head of the great world's W. C. T. U.

The Latest Idea of the Brewer's Press Bureau is the presentation to libraries throughout the country of the most seductive and plausible arguments that they have issued regarding the alleged fallacies and errors of Prohibition.

The liquor press states that a systematic plan is being adopted to give to every library in the United States the current literature being put out in pamphlet and book form by the brewer's editors.

Field News

Palmer W. C. T. U. of West Indianapolis, held two interesting meetings in May. On the evening of May 13th at the home of Mrs. Nellie Fox the union entertained the husbands of the members and the Senior L. T. L. There was a very nice program. The decorations were the national colors, and the favors were small flags. There were sixty-four present.

The meeting on May 27th was held in the Morris St. Christian church. Mrs. Cummings, Superintendent of the Italian work; Mrs. Noe, Superintendent of Franchise; Rev. Welker, pastor of Blaine Avenue M. E. church, and Rev. Doney of the Christian church, were present, and all gave very interesting and enthusiastic talks.

MRS. NELL COFER.

Westfield Union observed Flower Mission Day June 9th, in a beautiful way at the home of Mrs. Keister. As each lady entered the home, a bouquet of flowers was pinned in her hair or on her dress. A very appropriate programme was given, which consisted of responsive reading. A paper by Miss Clara Blair and one by Mrs. Hodgkin, Superintendent of Flower Mission work. Each member brought flowers which were distributed to the "shut-ins." The next day the work was continued by going to the jail and county farm at Noblesville. twenty ladies taking flowers and cheer services conducted by Annie Tomlinson.

ELLA BRILES, President.

The Evansville Frances Willard W. C. T. U. met on June 6, at the rest rooms in Evans Hall. We first sang "Christ in the World in Song," after which our President, Mrs. Davidson, read the scripture lesson.

This meeting was a social affair to welcome new members. We have thirty-seven active members and eleven honorary members. The visiting committee gave a splendid report of work done in the past.

Our weekly meetings are growing, and are very interesting. Our own local nineteen members of our union are delivering the addresses, and show themselves willing to do and keep on doing. We have temperance song sheets printed for our use. Pray for our sisters that our cause may succeed here and everywhere else.

Seymour W. C. T. U. held an interesting meeting at the home of Mrs. Howard Brown.

Local Superintendent Canierlwork appointed. Mrs. Short gave a Bible Teaching on the Sabbath.

Leaflet—An American Problem, was read by Mrs. E. Perkinson.

Music by Mrs. Pfaffenberger and Mrs. Gertrude Wylie, were especially enjoyed.

June 3rd meeting was with Mrs. H. H. Allen at the M. E. Parsonage. An interesting paper on Flower Mission was read by the President, Mrs. Pfaffenberger, a sketch of the life of Jennie Casady by Miss Dora Deppert.

A parliamentary drill was given by Mrs. Short. Flowers were sent to City Hospital and all reported as ill or "shut in."

There was good music.

L. C. VANHORN.

South Bend:—Instead of offering a larger prize for the best paper on Physiology and Hygiene, Colfax Avenue Union offered to the B grade of the Laurel School a year's subscription to The Youth's Temperance Banner to each, whose paper should grade 85 or above. Twenty-one of the pupils received the high marks. When a copy of this bright, illustrated temperance story paper, comes each month into these 21 homes (two of them I believe, are saloonkeepers' homes)—and we are trusting that some of this seed, sown thus broadcast, may find good soil and grow. The teacher of the grade, Miss Florence Scott, and another teacher of the school, were also given a year's subscription to the paper. Over two dollars of the fund raised for this purpose still remains, and will probably be used to buy temperance story books for the reading library of the school. All this was made possible by the generosity of Mrs. John Donnahue, a member of the Union.

The members are greatly enjoying the regular Bible Study course conducted by our Evangelist, Superintendent Mrs. Carl Rogers.

MRS. W. M. WELD.

South Bend:—The ladies of the Pleasant View W. C. T. U., forty-in number, were very pleasantly entertained by Mrs. C. M. Uldine, 1407 Michigan avenue, on Wednesday afternoon. The state programme was followed by the Flower Mission by Superintendent Mrs. H. L. Kellogg, who gave a very good reading on Flower Mission Work. It is true, if flowers are exception of God's love to us, we should from our loyalty to Christ and humanity by His examples; we realize that opportunity and new fields are open to us on every hand. Mrs. L. A. Lydick recited a beautiful poem on Flowers, which was followed by a piano solo by Miss Esther Oberlin.

Mrs. David Augustine gave a medical temperance study, the Effects of Alcohol on the Heart and Mind. A violin solo by Miss Esther Fulton was very much appreciated by all.

Miss Violet Johnson, a recitation, Tommy's Bager, which was fine.

A paper, "Woman's Influence in Reform Movements," was given by Mrs. Ralph Smith.

Mrs. E. L. Hull reported two prize essays on scientific temperance by the pupils of Muessel School.

Sveral selections on the piano by Miss Mills Plant, closed the programme and a social hour was enjoyed by all, during which refreshments were served by the hostess.

The next regular meeting will be in Leeper Park, July 13, when the ladies will give a picnic dinner.

MRS. JACOB MILLER.

2304 Michigan Avenue.

Madison L. T. L. Tuesday night, May 31, at Brigade Hall, the L. T. L., under the direction of Mrs. George Denny, held another silver medal contest in the presence of an appreciative audience.

The contestants were: David Cox, Alma Askins, Haven Sherlock and Harry Killun.

They all rendered their selections with so much ability that favorable comment was given on all sides. Haven Sherlock was awarded the prize medal.

While the judges were out Miss Florence Demaree gave a selection of negro dialect and a group of L. T. L. girls gave a little dramatic song. "Gossip," was its title. The judges were Mrs. Jamison, Mrs. Keenee and Prof. Symms. The medal was presented by Hon. Harry Cope.

M. E. B.

LaPorte Union:—The essay contest place was very successful. The three prizes were won by the following young ladies first, Miss Ruth Seymour; second, Miss Florence Martin; third, Miss Marjorie Chulip. All the essays written were very good, and the pupils are much complimented for the interest and time they took in writing them.

Dr. David Paulson's lecture was fine. Space will not permit to give the programme in full—it was all good and interesting and a large audience was present to hear it. After serving the contestants with ice cream and cake the ladies sold over eight dollars worth. Much credit is due the committee in charge: Mrs. Ella Canare and Mrs. Eva Kregle.

MRS. SETH PEASE,

Press Superintendent.

Colfax Avenue W. C. T. U., at their June meeting by unanimous vote, placed themselves on record as passing such legislation as may be necessary to have members of school boards and trustees elected by direct vote of men and women who can read and write English.

One woman said "I used to vote on school matters in Illinois," another "So did I in Michigan." "Why yes," still another, "My mother has voted every school meeting for thirty years I guess in New York state." "Indiana is behind the times."

SECRETARY.

The VanBuren W. C. T. U. met at the beautiful country home of Mrs. John Pilkington Wednesday afternoon; it being a fine afternoon. There were about 45 present. Mrs. I. C. Mills, Superintendent of Mothers' Department, leader. She had charge of a very entertaining programme with several short papers. After devotional service there was a song by Miss Howard. Mrs. Wilson read a paper on "Mother and Child." Another paper was by Mrs. Artwell on "Individuality of Conscience in the Voter." Song by the Union, "Some Sweet Day." A paper was read by our President, Mrs. Dimit, on "The Workingman Should Know." Paper by Mrs. Harry Sullivan, "The Inside of a Saloon." Song by the girls, after which the meeting closed. Refreshments served by the hostess.—Mrs. L. F. Martin, Press Representative.

Broad Ripple:—Marion County Union held the annual "All-day meeting" on June 8th, at the beautiful country home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hessong. Mrs. Hessong is the beloved President of the Union.

An indoor business meeting was held in the forenoon, and in the afternoon the company assembled under the spreading branches of a fine old beech tree on the great lawn, and enjoyed an interesting programme. Dr. Rebecca Rogers George read, by request, a comprehensive paper on "Motherhood, the Untrained Profession." This paper was prepared for and read by Dr. George before the annual convention of the State Federation of Clubs.

Mrs. McWhirter opened discussion on Dr. George's paper, in which much interest was shown and many remarks made. Mrs. S. R. Artman, County President spoke interestingly. Mrs. G. V. Woollen gave a reading.

There was spirited singing. At the noon hour the generous hospitality of the Broad Ripple W. C. T. U. was enjoyed by about a hundred and fifty people. A sumptuous dinner was spread on tables out under the trees, and much enjoyed by a happy and merry company. After dinner ice cream and cake was served to all present.

Mr. and Mrs. Hessong, their two beautiful daughters and Mr. Mustard, the genial father of Mrs. Hessong, were most cordial in their hospitality.

The day was ideal and greatly enjoyed by all, especially by the favored guests of Broad Ripple W. C. T. U.

The National Congress of Mothers met in annual convention in Denver, June 10-15.

Mrs. Frederick Schoff, the president, is quoted thus:

"The child is God's greatest Gift to mankind." "The trend of the century is to prevent rather than cure."

"As guardians of infancy, as guides of childhood, and teachers of youth, the mothers have been meeting and studying all these years to learn the relation between cause and effect, to see why the healthy baby dies before it is one year old in four cases out of five, to learn why the sweet, innocent child develops into the selfish, self-seeking politician, the careless father, the ir-

responsible, frivolous woman, the drunkard and thief, the dissolute and degenerate members of society.

"Is there any subject more vital than to learn why their lives are blighted and destroyed?"

"After long study of the failure of the home to perform its function with efficiency, it seems to me that the fundamental reason for its failure is the belief which is centuries old that mother instinct enables a woman to bring up children, that with the child comes the ability to give it proper care physically and morally. Abolish the idea that mother and father instinct can give a child his rightful care, and substitute for it the idea that fatherhood and motherhood require even greater preparation than for any other profession and the first step will be taken toward the welfare of the child."

"Nine-tenths of the children arrested for various offenses owe their condition to their homes, to the inefficiency of their parents. Every one who follows juvenile crime will confirm the statement that parental and community ignorance of childhood's needs is the principal cause of juvenile crime. Therefore the home bears a direct relationship to crime. Let it assume the blame for juvenile crime, and study the causes."

The Deer Creek union presents flowers to all the High School and College graduates belonging to the families in its membership.

Mrs. George B. Love, President of the North Marion union, conducts a mothers' meeting, with good speakers, at her home every Friday evening.

Mrs. Moranda Wright, a local Flower Mission Superintendent, has furnished each member of her union, a report blank which she has prepared, with the request that it be fastened on the kitchen wall and whenever flowers, garments, money or anything is given away, the entry be written in the proper column and returned to her at the September meeting.

The Marion Central union is receiving from one to five new members at every meeting.

Mrs. Sarah C. Lenfesty, County Treasurer, reports an increase in membership of about sixty over this time last year.

County President, Mrs. Gulie E. Shugart, is busy visiting families, speaking in churches, nursing and encouraging weak unions, distributing literature and lending a hand wherever it is needed. Mrs. Shugart is just now spending much of her time at the home of her mother, Mrs. Anna Jay, who has been ill for several weeks. Mrs. Jay is a veteran white ribboner of Grant county.

The South Wabash Union celebrated June 8 as "Flower Mission" day, with Mrs. Emma Smallwood.

The programme was arranged by our efficient Flower Mission Superintendent, Miss Pharaba Ridgway. Every number was good. Our Superintendent secured the best speakers and musicians of the South Side (most of those taking part were not members of the W. C. T. U.)

This was a red letter day for our union, it being one of the best, largest and most enthusiastic parlor meetings we have ever held. There were fifty present, a number of whom were not members, but expressed themselves as favorably impressed.

We made and distributed sixty-three bouquets with a printed text-card tied with white ribbon on each. Also placed flowers on the graves of our deceased members. The members of the union were asked to arrange their flowers into bouquets at home to save time and also give greater opportunity to arrange the flowers. Our florist, Mr. Ulsh, gave a large donation of carnations. These carnations with other flowers were arranged by our flower superintendent into seventeen beautiful bouquets, tied with white ribbon and a printed text-card. She also tied a bow of white ribbon on a text-card for each of the bouquets brought in by the others.

We are glad that we have this day set aside to give cheer and comfort to those less fortunate than ourselves.—J. R. C.

The Madison County Institute was held in Alexandria at the M. E. church. After the devotional service we were welcomed by Mrs. India Reed, the local President.

Miss Mary Woodard was our leader, and the anxious of the county were well represented. Rev. Emerson of Summittville, was present and spoke on the "Coming Legislature" which gave us much encouragement. The state programme was carried out, and our meeting was interesting throughout the day. Miss Woodard lectured at night, and the evening before, she spoke at Anderson.

At the meeting of the executive board we decided to hold a picnic at Bulean Park, Alexandria, on July 4. A good programme with a Gold Medal contest in the afternoon, will be given. A basket dinner at noon. Remember this and be sure to attend.—Hattie Coxen, Rec. Secy.

Mrs. H. C. Foote, Huntington County President, organized a local union at Zion church near the city of Huntington on June 5.

Mrs. S. M. Stahl writes:

By invitation and planning of our sister, Malvina Baily, we visited the Saratoga Union May 21-22; held three meetings, and secured 16 new members for the union. We shall not forget the kindness of the good people or the courtesy of our dear Bro. Singer, pastor of the M. E. church.

Benton County:—The ladies of the Oxford Union gave an "Old-Fashioned Exhibition" on the evening of April 15th that was one of the most entertaining events of the year.

The programme as carried out, consisted of old-time declamations, songs, dialogues and drills; the ladies appearing in costumes and bonnets of

by-gone days and using names of a former period.

An apron sale and exchange at which refreshments were served was held on the afternoon of the same day.—Mrs. L. B. Evans, Press Supt.

The Wells County spring institute was held at Six-Mile church on May 11-12. There was a large attendance, due partly to the fact, that the new B. G. C. traction line was just about done and special cars for the occasion, run. While there was a good attendance there was also much interest manifested, and we think much good done. There was a goodly number of members added to the membership list of the county, and many added subscriptions to the Union Signal and Crusader Monthly. The ladies of the church served free dinner and supper, and there was a bountiful supply of good things to eat. All had a happy time and went home feeling that it was good to be there.—Mrs. Jennie Bickel.

Keystone:—Mrs. Jennie Lincoln, local contest superintendent of Keystone, held a good silver medal contest at Chester Center, Friday night, April 29th. Attendance good and much interest. The speakers all did well, especially Miss Edna McCullick, who won the medal. A gold medal contest was held at the M. P. church at Keystone, May 12, conducted by Mrs. Lincoln. The contest was well attended. "The Drinking House Over the Way," was spoken by Miss Anna Baldwin, who was the successful contestant. There is to be a vocal contest held at this place in the near future.—Ella Bennett, Press Supt.

The Matthews W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Flora Smith in East Matthews, June 10, at 2:30 p. m. The regular order of business was conducted by the president, Mrs. Lena Shaw, as it was Flower Mission Day. Mrs. Margaret Trissel, superintendent of that department, was in charge. The "Life of Jennie Cassiday," was read by Mrs. Trissel which was of interest to all present.

Mrs. Hall read a poem, "The Mission of the Flowers," which was very beautiful.

The subject, "What a Flower Mission Should Mean to Our Community," was discussed by the members.

The library, well filled with flowers to be distributed among the sick. One new member was added to the union.

Mrs. Cora Osburn was appointed superintendent of the Mothers' Department.—Mrs. Alice Garrettson, Press Superintendent.

Madison:—On June 1st, Revenue Collector Lee destroyed a large quantity of beer at Webber's Brewery. They claimed they found it not profitable, but rather a loss for them to ship away, and have shipped on return the home beer they had on hand. They sent for Deputy Revenue Officer Lewis A. Lee of Lawrenceburg and that officer destroyed the beer by running it out through a sewer to the Crooked Creek bottom. They estimate the value of the beer destroyed at between \$2,500 and \$3,000.

The Elks' club here was raided the forenoon of June 11 by Special Policeman Pate, who swore out the affidavit. Chief John Shuler, Policeman Hollis and Deputy Ebenezer Gray. The officers, after securing the keys from Janitor McDermott, entered the basement of the building and there found and confiscated thirteen barrels and two tubs of bottled beer and nine bottles of whiskey. The wet goods were all removed from the building by the officers to the city treasurer's vaults where it was stored.

The course of legal procedure was the notification of the officers of the club to appear before the mayor and show why the liquor should not be destroyed. The notice was given that afternoon. The club had ten days to answer, but they did not wish that time and demanded an immediate trial. Saturday night, after the noon trial another violator's case had closed. The jury took the case of State vs. The Elks' Club, charged with having intoxicating liquor on hand illegally and was tried in the Mayor's Court, Judge Perry E. Bear defending. The results of the case was dismissal of the charge, and the liquor ordered returned to the club. Before recording his verdict Mayor Harper made a short address assuring the public his intentions were to enforce the law, and in all cases brought before him the law would be strictly enforced and that citizens knowing of any violators and making affidavit to same, the law violators would be punished if proven guilty.

Special Policeman Pate, the prosecuting witness, was discharged from further duty by Mayor Harper by advice of the League committee who had him appointed. Quoting the Saturday's Madison Herald, it says: "The goods seized was claimed to be the individual property of members of the club, and was secured on their own orders, each package being marked with names of those who had ordered it to whom it belonged. The club is a private organization, and is composed of some of the best citizens of Madison. What ill-judged or misdirected zeal that led to the raid is not known, but it is certainly a mistake, and a big one, that brought it about. It will only serve to injure the cause of those who have instigated it, and is an infringement of private rights in a most marked manner."

Saturday night, after the Elks' trial, at the City Hall, while Special Policeman Pate was standing on Hargan's corner, some one said to be a Mulberry street bartender, bumped up against him, and, on Mr. Pate's resenting, struck the policeman over the head with a cane, knocking him down, and then ran. Mr. Pate claims he knows who his assailant was, and will prosecute him.

Madison's W. C. T. U. held a very interesting business meeting at Brigade hall Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Reports of good work was

given and all were enthusiastic to press onto victory.—Mary E. Bayliss.

The Madison Union held an open meeting at Brigade Hall, Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, Mrs. Jamison, the President, in charge.

The following is the programme which was worthy of her untiring efforts:

Song—L. T. L. chorus.

Scripture Reading and Prayer.

Solo—"The World Is Dying for Want of Love," by Martha Cofield, Mrs. Frank Thomas, accompanist.

A paper on "Brief History of the Mormon Church," by Mrs. W. W. Renolds.

Reading by Miss Anna Sherdock.

Address—"Present Condition of the Mormon Church in Utah," by Rev. McDowell of Trinity M. E. church.

Allen County Institute a Grand Success. It was held in Monroeville M. E. church, April 25 and 26, beginning the evening of the 25th with an address by the State President, Mrs. Culla J. Vanhinger, which was excellent and enough to convince any one of the righteousness of our cause. Good music was rendered by a special choir, and, Miss Smithson of Fairmount, who accompanied Mrs. Vayhinger, sang some beautiful solos.

The morning of the 26th many ladies from Fort Wayne came in on the interurban, and a busy and profitable day and evening were spent. Our County President, Mrs. Ridenour, was on hand and busy as usual with all good works, and the way was paved for the good increase in membership we have made since, in our membership contest. A good attendance was had throughout, and contest evening, standing room was at a premium.

Monroeville:—The W. C. T. U. met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. B. Miller, Superintendent of the flower mission department. After the business session a very interesting programme was rendered under the management of Mrs. Miller. The programme was very touching, relating as it did to the beautiful mission of flowers. Many flowers were brought in by the ladies to be sent to the Fort Wayne flower mission department to be distributed among the sick at the different hospitals, etc. At the conclusion of the programme came the closing of the membership contest. Mrs. Wm. Erwin, Captain of the Blues, reported fifteen new members; Mrs. W. C. Miller, Captain of the Reds, reported thirty-five new members, making a total of fifty members, of that number fourteen are honorary. A reception in honor of the new members will be held on the evening of June 17 at Youse's Hall. At the close of the meeting it was decided to continue the work of securing new members until the date of the reception. The next meeting will be at the country home of Mrs. Clayton and will be a mothers' meeting, in charge of Mrs. Fannie Edwards, Superintendent of that department.—Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette.

Everton Fayette County W. C. T. U. in conjunction with the G. G. G. Culture Club of Everton, held a splendid meeting at the home of Mrs. Eva Piper, June 8, Vice-President Mrs. Alma Lake, presided, in the absence of the President, who was ill.

Opening hymn, "Work For the Night is Coming." Lord's Prayer in unison scripture, 46 Psa., read by the hostess. Roll call answered by scriptural quotations. Papers, "What the Flower Mission Should Mean to Our Community," Mrs. Myer; "Womans Interest in All Reform Movements," Mrs. White; "The Necessity of the Positive Influence of Woman on the Side of Temperance," Mrs. Floyd, were all fine. Several other appropriate readings and selections were rendered besides both vocal and instrumental music. Mrs. W. L. Bell of Kansas City, Mo., who was a guest, and who is identified with movements for uplift and education, interested all with a splendid and instructive talk along the line of "Woman's Advancement and Happiness, closing with "Blest Be the Tie that Binds," and benediction by Mrs. Floyd. A social hour was enjoyed. Cake and lemonade was served. The hour for departure came too soon, all pronouncing Mrs. Piper a charming entertainer and the day one of the brightest links in the chain of our W. C. T. U. meetings.—Mrs. Annie Trusler Brumfiel Press Superintendent, Connersville, R. R. 5, Box 49.

Tippecanoe County:—The Monon W. C. T. U. of Lafayette, met June 8 at the home of Mrs. G. M. Batt, 1718 North Eighteenth street. After a short business session the afternoon was devoted to the flower mission department. Bouquets with text cards being sent to the sick and aged, and hearts made glad by the gift of flowers, one of God's beautiful gifts to His children.

Encouraging talks were given by Mrs. H. H. Budge, Mrs. C. C. Robinson and Mrs. R. P. Cole, who, with several others, were guests of the afternoon.

Our Promoted Comrades

The LaPorte W. C. T. U. is mourning the loss of a dear member, Mrs. Austin Cutler, who was called to her reward March 26th. Mr. Cutler is also a member and he has the sympathy of the organization in his bereavement.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Dear Sisters.—We are in the last quarter of the year. Our slogan at the opening of the year's work was "10,000 Women for 1910." We have thus far made a small gain—about 150. If we hold our own this year we must pay dues for 2,711 (two thousand seven hundred and eleven) members in this present quarter. If we reach our "10,000 members," we must pay for 5,088 members in this quarter. My heart has been going out after the women of the state for the W. C. T. U. We must have them. The liquorites are massing their forces in Indiana this year as never before. Will the mothers sleep while these vandals overrun our domain? May God help each union to plan at once for a systematic canvass for members. If you love the cause, sacrifice some time in the next month in enlisting new women. Who will join me in praying three times a day, morning, noon and night, for these 5,088 women in this quarter? Prayer and work will bring them! Yours for service,—Culla J. Vayhinger.

ATTENTION.

The Liberal League at Indianapolis is sending to the libraries over the state, books and leaflets containing the same old falsehoods concerning prohibition that have been used for the last fifty years and refuted time and time again. These need your attention. Will you not visit your library, see if they are there, then if they cannot be removed, procure literature containing the truth about this matter and see that plenty of it is there for use. They hope by these lies to defeat prohibition in Indiana. Let them not catch us napping.—Cully J. Vayhinger.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S BRANCH.

Dear Comrades.—As the busy days go by and time is hurrying us on to another state convention, are we all doing all that we can in our blessed cause? It is indeed gratifying to know that some work has been done for our young people in the state, some unions organized, but how I wish that more work could be done, several more unions reported ere the time for gathering in our reports.

Dear sisters, please don't neglect the young men and women. We need them so much, and they need us and our help. So won't you who read these lines make a harder effort than ever before to enlist the young people? Get them interested in our work, in the scientific study of alcohol in all the different departments of our loved cause, and your time is well spent, and much good will result from all the effort you put forth.

God bless you and me in our work, and lead us aright. Yours for the young people.—(Miss) Laura Cammack, State Y. Sec., Converse, Ind.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION CONVENTION.

The sixteenth annual convention of the Indiana Loyal Temperance Legion was held in the Second Presbyterian church at Greensburg July 6, 7 and 8.

A splendid program, well carried out, delightful weather and ideal hostesses made the convention a success in every respect.

Some of the best features of the program were the well written papers on the subjects given: "The History of the L. T. L.," by Miss Irma Smith, Marion; "The History of the Y.," by Miss Laura Cammack, Converse; "The Juvenile Court and What Has Been Accomplished," by Miss Rosa Hainlen, Marion; "Alcohol, Narcotics and the Coming Generation," by Dr. Nettie Bainbridge-Powell, Marion; "Temperance and Industrial Efficiency," by Mr. Roy J. Colbert, Greencastle.

The addresses of Rev. Johnson, pastor of the Christian church of Greensburg, and Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, state W. C. T. U. president, Upland, were especially fine.

Many splendid reports of work accomplished during the past year were given.

The following officers were elected: President, Miss Blanche Thorne, Marion; vice president, Miss Vera Fisher, Greencastle; corresponding secretary, Mr. Kenneth Hoffman, Elwood; recording secretary, Miss Irma D. Smith, Marion; treasurer, Miss Harriet Stockton, Kokomo; musical director, Miss McLean, Greencastle; organizer, Mrs. Ida M. Mix, Kokomo; organizer among colored people, Mrs. M. A. McCurdy, Richmond.

Immediately after dinner following the close of the convention, the business men furnished automobiles and took the conventioners to the I. O. O. F. Home, a mile east of Greensburg, where arrangements had been made to receive the young people, and which was a great treat.

The State Rally Cry was given several times, as were the local cries.

State Yell.

Taste not, want not, care not,
For whisky, brandy or rum,
Tobacco profanity, we vow to have none.

The liquor traffic, we must quell,
Then how proud will be the yell!
Indiana senior L. T. L.!

FROM THE STATE SECRETARY.

Dear Comrades.—2,711. What does it stand for? Just this: Our state treasurer says we must collect dues from 2,711 members this quarter in order to hold our own in membership this year. Will we do it? Of course we will. Indiana W. C. T. U. must take no backward steps, neither must we stand still. Right on to greater victories must be our watchword. Your state officers so hoped that we might bring our membership up to ten thousand this year because of the greater influence it will give our organization before our coming legislature. In order to do this we must collect dues this quarter from 5,088 members. The time is short, but it can be done if every member will do her best to bring it to pass. Will you?

Plans are afoot to send our organizers out to visit local unions in order to strengthen the work and help in winning new members. Unions will receive due notice of the time of the visit, and will be expected to entertain the organizer and arrange meetings for her, and in every way try to make the most possible of her visit. But do not wait until the organizer arrives, but begin now to try to increase the interest in your work and to win new members.

Plans for our state convention are progressing with every prospect of a great gathering of the clans at Ft. Wayne. That peerless orator, Clinton N. Howard, has been secured to address the mass meeting on Sunday afternoon. Other features of the convention will be announced later. Every local union in the state should send the president and at least one delegate. Don't fail to be represented. Yours for service.—Mary E. Woodard.

MRS. ROSE PEARCE'S LETTER.

Dear Sisters and Co-workers.—I wish to convey to you all, through the pages of the Message, my thanks for and appreciation of your loyalty to the department I represent, and to the plans made for the work of the same during the past spring. In His wisdom the all-wise Father saw fit to permit sickness to lay me aside just at the time when I was expecting to be in the institute field, thereby meeting many of you face to face, receiving from you an inspiration to further service, and doing my best to help you in your work. I can never tell you how much you helped me by your hearty and loving co-operation in the work, and the sweet and lovely way in which you received the substitute leaders sent to fill my dates; neither can I ever sufficiently thank those leaders for their help at that time. Cheerfully and willingly they laid aside their own plans and did extra field work, that the cause we love should not suffer. The institute season is over, the reports are in and as I gather up the results, I rejoice to tell you that in 1910 the work took a step forward. I have received many letters bringing words of thanks and appreciation of the program prepared, because it dealt with living, vital issues. I want also to thank all those dear sisters who so lovingly sent to me in my sickness, letters of sympathy and cheer. I shall try to answer them all, but should I in any case fail, please understand that you are not forgotten nor unappreciated.

And now the weeks are rapidly passing, bringing us near to the close of another year of service, in which we have been working and praying for the overthrow of the liquor traffic. When we come up to our great Harvest Home at Fort Wayne on October 14 next, what shall we have to report? Shall we rejoice over the fact that ten thousand of Indiana's best women wear the white ribbon and stand pledged to work, to fight, to pray that the white flag of Prohibition may float over the homes of our beloved state, protecting our sons and daughters against King Alcohol?

If our membership reaches the 10,000 mark—if these dear women who mean so much to the work are to be won, it means that every union, every member of every union, must get to work in earnest, for the time is short and will admit of no procrastination. Do you realize how watchful and active the liquor men are this year? Have you considered the methods they are using? They are using, as never before, the power of the press to reach the people. They are sending out volumes bearing titles which will cause people to read them. They are printing extracts from these books, in the secular papers. They are mailing to the homes of the people leaflets and tracts. I need not tell you that these books, leaflets and extracts are all in favor of the traffic, and therefore a menace to the home; and whilst they will none of them cause you or I to deviate one iota from the path we are in, let me remind you of the thousands who have no fixed principles along this line; who are, may be, on the "fence." These

are the people we want to win to our cause—these are the people this pernicious literature will affect. Did you ever stop to consider how many good people there are who read what is placed in their hands, but who never, for various reasons, search for proof of or more information concerning a subject thus brought before them? They simply accept the statement of the printed page. Let me urge each and all of you, even if you have but little time for personal work, for the sake of the wives and mothers; out of pity for the ruined homes all over our state; for the protection of the youths and maidens, and out of love for the little children—will you not furnish yourselves with temperance literature—real, live, up-to-date literature—and then scatter, scatter, scatter it. Mail it to your friends and neighbors; mail it to the people you know, and to people you do not know. Place it in your churches and Sunday schools, in your stores, in your railway depots—anywhere and everywhere that it may carry the message. Let us put into the few weeks that remain to us for service before we close the year's record; work so earnest and faithful; prayers so full of faith and power, that we may come up to our convention at Fort Wayne, that stronghold of the liquor men, "with rejoicing, bringing in our sheaves." Again thanking each and all of you and looking forward to meeting you, lovingly yours.—(Mrs.) Rose Pearce, State Recording Secretary and Superintendent of Institutes, Darlington, Ind.

NOTICE.

Read offer of \$10.00 in gold for subscriptions to The Union Signal.

FLOWER MISSION SERVICE OF W. C. T. U. ON THURSDAY.

Special Program Observed by Muncie Organization at M. P. Church of This City June 21.

An unusually interesting meeting, a flower mission session, was held by the members of the Muncie Women's Christian Temperance Union at the Methodist Protestant church in East Jackson street at 8 o'clock Thursday evening. A special program had been arranged for the special meeting.

The program is as follows: Donations of flowers, plants, fruits, garments, etc., for flower mission; hymn, "Some Glad Day," congregation; reading from flower mission text cards; prayer, the Rev. P. W. Dierberger; "Lead, Kindly Light," sung by boys' chorus; national flower mission report, Mrs. Odessa Rayle; reading, "The Story of Jennie Cassidy," Mrs. Jennie Thorp; "What the Flower Mission Means to the W. C. T. U. and the Community," Mrs. C. D. Dille; reading, "Why a Flower Mission?" Mrs. Mary Baker; topic for debate, "What Are the Duties of Flower Mission Superintendents?" Mrs. Nettie Hawk; "Are We Living Up to Them?" County Superintendent Mrs. Chambers; reading, Miss Lola Howell; "Some Glad Morn," quartet of M. P. church; flower mission responsive reading, by 26 W. C. T. U. members; distribution of flower mission literature and text cards; hymn, and "White Ribbon" benediction.

FAIR AND OPEN-AIR MEETINGS.

Dear Sisters of the W. C. T. U.—To my mind this is one of the greatest departments through which to reach the public in our work, and there are so few county superintendents. Will not the local and county women please do something in this line during these summer months? Then send the reports to me by Sept. 20, so Indiana may be recognized as having done something in this line of work.

I will do what I can, but my report depends largely upon you. By gathering here a little, and there a little, we may be counted among the first, where we deserve to be.

If any who do work have not received blanks, please write me. I send out reports to all superintendents and many others early in the year—for a reminder. As our department work all comes in the warm months, I feel it's useless to ask for more than one report each year.

I want to urge you again to please help me in this work. Prepare out-door programs, contests, etc. Distribute literature. Fix up booths at fairs. Do something! Most earnestly and lovingly.—Mrs. Lizzie Heath, 810 E. Walnut St., Indianapolis, Ind., State Supt.

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State convention, Oct 14-18, at Fort Wayne, Ind.
National convention, Nov. 12-17, at Baltimore, Md.

To the state convention every union is entitled to send the president, one delegate-at-large and one delegate for every twenty paid members. Now is the time to plan to go to Fort Wayne. That will be a great convention.

At Winona Lake many White Ribboners will meet during the Bible conference, Aug. 20 to 31. Wear your ribbons.

Indiana W. C. T. U. in influence and power is measured by her membership. Some dues are not collected and our membership must be increased. The Indiana legislature meets Jan. 10 and there are some laws we greatly desire passed. Our strength will be estimated according to our numbers. Now let us all help the local treasurers collect dues. A little effort and a few afternoons in pleasant calling by several women in each community will bring great results. According to our interest in the success of the temperance work is our willingness to help a little. Never were there so many grand, good women, unselfish and energetic women, working unitedly for any great cause as are working in the W. C. T. U.

The liquor men are busy night and day with a campaign of literature and personal effort to overthrow the dry legislation. They are accomplishing much. Everywhere our W. C. T. U. people must be active. We must scatter temperance literature and collect dues. We must win. God will help if we do all we can. He will not do for us what we can do for ourselves.

Indiana W. C. T. U. women are proud of their girls and boys. We are so glad to know that our folks are appreciated and honored when they move to other states. Mrs. Mamie White Colvin is attending the Glasgow convention, a delegate from New York state. She and Mr. Colvin sailed from New York on the "Celtic" May 21. In a letter written to her mother, Mrs. Belle White, in mid ocean, she says: "Today we sent a wireless message to the 'Canada.' 'Celtic White Ribboners salute you. Trip delightful. Hallelujah!' They answered, '130 comrades on Canada send greeting. Every one well and happy. Meet you at Queenstown Sunday morning.'"

As her letter was postmarked Queenstown, May 29, they reached there on time.

Mrs. Ella Flagg Young, first superintendent of the schools of Chicago, has been elected first president of the National Educational Association. Mrs. Young received 617 votes and the man who was the choice of the nominating committee, received 376 votes.

Miss Laura Cammack, our beloved state Y. secretary, is under the shadow of a great bereavement. Her mother has recently passed away after years of suffering and invalidism, during which time this daughter was almost constantly with her.

Dr. and Mrs. F. F. Hutchins are spending June and July in Zurich, Switzerland, where Dr. Hutchins is studying and doing research laboratory work under the famous brain and nerve specialists of Zurich University.

Dr. Hutchins writes: It would surprise you to see how many restaurants and public houses do not sell alcoholic drinks. There is a decided sentiment here against alcohol. I was talking the other day with Prof. Monakow (He is the professor of anatomy, pathology and nervous diseases in the University of Zurich, in whose laboratory I am working, a world-famous man), and he told me that he is an anti-alcoholer. He said his study of the nervous system caused him to note the effects of alcohol and he became a total abstainer. Also, Dr. Farel, one of the most noted pathologists in the world and the man we came here especially to see, has given up medicine entirely, and devotes all of his time writing articles against the use of alcohol. Words from Farel will command the respect of any scientific man. On a little trip one day over to Schaffhausen and Newhausen, Germany, to see the Falls of the Rhine, in the old town of Schaffhausen, Dr. and Mrs. Hutchins came to a beautiful big five-story stone villa within the enclosure of an iron fence and great gate posts, on a street near the fine bank building, and what did they see but a gilt

sign, "Alkoholfreies Restaurant" (free from alcohol). They found that it was beautifully furnished and decorated in the arts' and crafts' color and the ceiling with gilded designs in fresco. German only was spoken. There was a "Ladies' Dining Room" and a big general restaurant. Dr. Hutchins was told that this had been established a year and the same people owned another elsewhere. In this building all kinds of meetings, parties, etc., are held. It is a success financially. The men of Schaffhausen have organized an abstinence league. All this in German.

RAILROAD DEPARTMENT.

Dear County Superintendents.—Remember your reports have to be in by September 15. Collect your local reports in time to fill out your own, so that each of you may receive credit for the work done in your county. The first of the year I included the interurban and street car employees in my list to each of you. The suggestion has come to me that we give that line special attention. Very truly yours.—Mrs R. P. Cole, State Supt., 214 South 6th St., Lafayette, Ind.

FLOWER MISSION.

Dear Sisters.—Another year's work is recorded on the pages of the past, and only a few more days remain for us to complete our final report. Has each White Ribbon woman done what she could in this beautiful work for the Master? Have we visited the sick and unfortunate? Have we given a helping hand and spoken the words of cheer and hope to those in the depths of despondency? "Let your lights so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in Heaven."—St. Matthew, 5:10. In the 25th chapter of St. Matthew we find positively this is God's own plan. This is the Master's work and we are his servants. "Let us do with our might what our hands find to do."

The report to be given at state convention in October is dependent largely upon the local superintendents. Many of the best county reports last year were sent in too late. Don't fail this year. Local reports must be sent to county superintendents by Sept. 10. All county superintendents will receive their report blanks in this month. Lovingly.—Viola R. Harvey, State Superintendent, Mooresville, Ind.

MRS. STANLEY'S NOTE BOOK.

July 4, 1910.

Dear Sisters.—On our great national holiday I find myself in Amboy—in the home of our beloved comrade Jennie Ridgeway. We miss the cheery welcome of her noble husband, who greeted us on our last visit to Amboy, but as one goes down, another clasps the white banner of prohibition and bears it forward to victory. More people today stand for a safe and sane 4th of July than ever before, and today we are going to the grove to enjoy the annual rally of the Prohibitionists of old Miami and expect a great day.

I have really been too busy the past month to write you as I desire. The water-wagon is moving rapidly and Indiana must go forward to statewide prohibition or lose her opportunity. The "dry" counties of the state are pleased with improved conditions in spite of law violation, and the "wet" counties are disgusted with their undesirable neighbors and criminal court docket. This is the opportunity for the W. C. T. U. Get the women and children, and men will eventually follow. The past month I have had good audiences in Rush county, Tipton, Hamilton, Franklin, Wayne and Miami. Have been called by our good prohibition brothers to the tent meetings in places where we have no W. C. T. U. to make our plans and have held afternoon meetings at the tent for women and children and presented our cause in the Sunday school and churches at each point, in hope of getting our 10,000 women before state convention. O, sisters, will you not get up contests with a good, strong class and do local work now? Many of our L. T. L. boys and con test workers will cast their first ballots this year. God grant that those ballots may harmonize with L. T. L. battle cries and church resolutions so that the doom of the traffic may be sealed right speedily. Yours for victory.—Elizabeth T. Stanley.

THE UNION SIGNAL.

Circulation of National Official Papers.

The subscription report of Indiana for the month ending June 15, 1910, is: The Union Signal—New subscriptions, 52; discontinuances, 13; present subscription list, 558.

Y. P. B. Edition—Subscription list, 14.

The Crusader Monthly—New subscriptions, 39; discontinuances, 95; present subscription list, 514.

The subscription report of your state for the month ending July 15, 1910, is: The Union Signal—New subscriptions, 8; discontinuances, 22; present subscription list, 544.

The Crusader Monthly—New subscriptions, 9; discontinuances, 17; present subscription list, 506.

W. C. T. U. women of Indiana, this list clearly indicates that all of our county officers and local union officers do not read the Union Signal weekly. Wherever the membership reads the Union Signal the unions do the most aggressive work against the liquor traffic, tobacco and the social evils. In order to be well informed upon the condition of affairs in the reform ranks it is absolutely necessary to read the news.

Our W. C. T. U. women live in good homes.

They have well-trained children and they all dress well. Many of them are well educated and nearly all spend money for things they desire. Why is it they do not subscribe for the Union Signal, \$1.00 per year, and secure for themselves the temperance and reform news of this and other countries.

What would we think of the pastor of a church who did not read his church paper? Likewise, what may we expect of the reading, educated people of our vicinity who know that our local and county officers do not read their own official paper, the Union Signal?

Of course they know those who do for they are so filled with real facts and information concerning conditions of temperance and purity that they are known as being well informed. Readers of the Union Signal are informed upon the temperance, gambling and purity situation in this country and especially congressional and legislative matters.

Those who desire this information to come into their homes for less than two cents (2) a week, please take a dollar with you to your next W. C. T. U. meeting and have your subscription sent to "The Union Signal, Evanston, Ill."

I offered to give \$10.00 in gold to the person who would send in the greatest number of subscriptions to The Union Signal that were credited to the state superintendent before June 15. Now I will extend the time of that offer to Oct. 1 and will award the prize at the state convention at Fort Wayne. State officers and institute leaders not included.

All subscriptions to be sent to the office of The Union Signal, Evanston, Ill.—(Mrs.) Luella F. McWhirter, State Supt. Dept. Nat'l Official Paper.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP.

Dear County Superintendents and Presidents.—Within the next few days I will mail to you my report blanks, one for each local union in your county. Will you please be faithful in sending them out to the local superintendent (where you have one), and to the local president, where there is no local superintendent of this department. Indiana stood again for honorable mention in last year's national report. It was due to your faithfulness that this was accomplished. Can we not do better this year in gathering up and sending in the reports? I wonder who will carry home the Christian Citizenship penant this year. Will you? Faithfully yours.—Gertrude Fulton, State Superintendent.

PURITY IN LITERATURE AND ART.

Dear Co-workers.—Our year is fast drawing to a close and let us not forget to send in our report. It is my aim to reach every county with report blanks, but if for any reason you fail to receive any, please send a reply to the following questions and it will do exactly as well:

1. No. talks delivered on this subject.
2. No. lectures given.
3. No. sermons preached.
4. No. papers read.
5. No. copies state law placed before public.
6. No. meetings devoted to this subject.
7. No. impure pictures removed.
8. No. pictures of Frances Willard placed.
9. No. articles sent for publication.
10. No protests made to editors.
11. No. pages literature on this subject distributed.
12. What have you done about the bill boards?
13. What have you done about obscene post cards.
14. Amount spent in this department.
15. What else have you accomplished?

The above fifteen questions are the same as the report blanks, so do not wait for these beyond the time limit. If there is a county superintendent for this department I will send blanks to her, and if not, I will send to the county superintendent, hoping that the one who receives them will send them to each union.

Get your reports in early, and we'll come up to state convention feeling proud of our work. Yours very sincerely.—Elnora G. McNaughton.

GLEANINGS FROM MARION CO. W. C. T. U.

The keynote to all success in this life is earnestness and I can truly say that the women of the Marion County Women's Christian Temperance Union are clearly showing that they are in earnest; that they are taking an active interest in all leading questions of the day.

I believe every member of our W. C. T. U. is alive to the issues of the hour, and awake to the influences that are so rapidly writing on the scroll of our times the history of our people.

So swiftly has the Woman's Christian Temperance Union gained ground; so rapid its development from the very first, that not even our women themselves can fully comprehend the scope of its interest or the extent of its influence.

The W. C. T. U. has proved that it is not a fad, to be taken up only to be cast aside after the newness has worn away. It is not a banding together of women who desire power and position. It is a result of the greatest moral awakening this world has ever known.

Our women all over this land have been touched as never before with the moral and spiritual life of the times. Out of a darkened, heavily-laden past comes a cry for more light on the part of every member of our W. C. T. U.

As the light dawned and her eyes became accustomed to the light, woman saw clearly that with every moment of her leisure time there was for



MRS. SAMUEL R. ARTMAN,
President Marion County W. C. T. U.

not an added moment; a new measure of responsibility.

Since being elected president of Marion County, I have with the aid of my co-workers organized one new union—details given in Dr. Keller's report—organized one new mission Sunday school, details given in other reports. Have visited 10 unions, held monthly executive meetings, every month but one—being very sick in March—chaired by corresponding secretary.

Have made forty-nine talks up to date, July 9, of which 55 have been public addresses, on several occasions speaking to two, three, and at one public meeting at Y. W. C. A. there were five hundred and fifty women present.

Have supplied 25 meetings with speakers and many requests for speakers could not be granted. So many demands and so few speakers.—Mrs. Samuel R. Artman, Pres. Marion Co. W. C. T. U., 1933 N. New Jersey St., Indianapolis, Ind.

Dr. Martha E. Keller, Vice President of Marion County and Superintendent of Medical Temperance Department: I have made 17 addresses, read two original papers before the Marion County Homeopathic Medical Society, one on "Heredity and Parental Education," one on "Life," interesting discussions followed. Have put the white ribbon on 19 women; given out 2,500 pages of literature; placed 37 garments in worthy families; gave the Day Nursery two dozen and eight cans of baby food. On October 25, 1909, I delivered an address on Medical temperance at the Harley Gibbs Mission, 909 West Washington street. Judging from the surroundings in this locality, I was impressed with the importance of practical temperance work being begun at once, and had the pleasure of putting the white ribbon on two noble women, who pledged themselves to remain loyal to the cause, and said they would join a union at any time we could organize in that part of the city.

On the 6th day of May Mrs. S. R. Artman, our county president; Mrs. Bressett, our county superintendent of Sunday school department, and myself organized a union with nine members at 1425 West Market street, and gave it the name of "The Mothers' Day Union." When putting the white ribbon on them, I also gave each woman a white carnation, explaining the meaning of the Mothers' day, and significance of the white carnation. This new union is prospering. On May 8, Mothers' day, this same committee organized an undenominational Sunday school at the above number, which has been regularly adopted by the executive board of the Marion County W. C. T. U. and is known as the West Side Mission Sunday school, under the supervision of the W. C. T. U.

You may better appreciate the great necessity for this temperance organization and Sunday school in this locality when we tell you that the day we organized, May 8, there were 27 persons present, and on June 5 there were 103 present. For lack of space we cannot give a list of the good people that have been specially interested in this work.

I have secured one column, or as much as we want, of space in the Indianapolis Sun for temperance items each Saturday.

Reports of the work done in each union to be sent regularly and not later than Friday noon.—Martha E. Keller, M. D., vice president Marion Co. and Supt. of Medical Temperance.

Sunday School Organized.

There being great need for a Sunday school in the West Side, two front rooms were secured in a dwelling house at 1425 W. Market street and the W. C. T. U. West Side Mission Sunday School was established Mothers' Day, May 8, 1910. Mrs. S. R. Artman county president; Dr. Martha E. Keller, county vice president, and Mrs. Louise S. Bressett, county superintendent of Sunday schools, were instrumental in the organization that was so much needed and desired in that section of the city. Mothers' Day Union was organized at the same rooms Friday night, May 6, with a membership of nine. The county superintendent of Sunday schools has made six addresses in behalf of the Sunday school, and received \$1 from

Mapleton union for the work. The following are the officers and teachers of the Sunday school.



W. C. T. U. WEST SIDE MISSION SUNDAY SCHOOL, INDIANAPOLIS.

Mr. Ray V. Jones, superintendent; Miss Mary F. Kirk, secretary; Mr. Albert Hussung, treasurer; Miss Beulah L. Bressett, primary superintendent; Miss Addie Lancaster, junior; Mrs. Chas. H. Harper adult Bible class.—Louise S. Bressett, Marion Co. Supt. S. S. Dept.

Italian Work in Indianapolis.

The work among the Italians in Indianapolis was organized by the Methodist Episcopal church and its missionary, the Rev. N. Accomando, is supported by the Home Missionary Society of this denomination. The Woman's Home Missionary Society of this church, seeing the need of house-to-house visitation, appointed Miss Lottie Connor, a deaconess, to this work. She finds a welcome entrance to the homes and teaches the mothers the English language, the niceties of American ways, gives music lessons to some and clothing to the needy, and by example is a living epistle that is accomplishing much good.

After this organization the W. C. T. U. of Marion county made it a department of its great work, and appointed the writer superintendent of the Italian work.

The Fletcher Place M. E. church has freely given the room for a school open to an Italian who wish to attend for the purpose of learning to speak and write English. This school meets on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings of each week and the results are wonderfully successful. About 200 young men have here received more or less of instruction that is already showing in a higher religious and civic life. Our temperance work is largely in showing them that they can get better positions if they do not drink, and that the best places are all closed to the drinking man. Their education has been so different on this subject that we have to use the greatest care not to offend and keep them from the school.

The outlook is very encouraging in every direction.—Mrs. E. B. Cummings, Supt. Italian Work.

Marion County Department Household Economics.

Mrs. Mary A. Moody, Supt., 219 E. 10th St.: Eight essays read, 4 newspaper articles written, 1,000 pages of literature distributed; made an effort to secure a woman on the city health board; resulted only in promises; this should not discourage women in other cities from making a similar effort. I can see detail work that a woman would do that is neglected by men. Three women have been placed on the committee for medical inspection of schools of Indianapolis.

Marion Co. Dept. Work Among Railroad Employees.

Mrs. Susie Miller, Co. Supt.: Indianapolis North East union, 1,004 pages literature; Indianapolis Palmer union, 60 pages of literature and keeps a wall pocket supplied; Indianapolis Vayhinger, 2,869 pages distributed; Brightwood union, distributed 250 pages and keeps pocket filled in Y. M. C. A. Committees from Brightwood and Palmer unions distribute literature on the street cars.

The county sends the Union Signal and prohibition papers to the men's reading room at the Union Station. The county superintendent distributed 2,414 pages of literature and each month takes literature to the Union Station.

Contests.

Marion county has had several contests this year, all with great results for good, one of which was the diamond medal contest held April 5 in the Y. M. C. A. in connection with the Prohibition state convention. Although the evening was very stormy, attendance was fine. Total receipts were \$43.25; disbursements, \$36.90; balance, \$6.35.—Mrs. Cora Harper, Co. Supt. Contest Dept.

Mapleton.

Mapleton union is increasing in members and is active. Visited The Colored Orphans' Home, gave the children 80 bouquets and 84 sacks of pop-corn, 3 bushels of potatoes, 6 meals given, 2 quarts grape juice, 1 quart of peaches, 1 quart of jam and tomatoes sent with flowers or cards to the sick; \$5.00 spent in money.—Mrs. Bailey.

Indianapolis.

Palmer W. C. T. U. has had 13 meetings. Had one lecture by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley. Secured one new member at this meeting. Have had six of the county superintendents and the county president with us at different meetings. Held one very successful reception. Forty-eight visits were made to the sick. One member has helped conduct 52 services in the work-house and 600 in the city hospital. About 1,000 pages of literature, besides text card and papers, have been distributed. Flowers, fruit, canned goods and eatables

have been given out. Four schools have been visited in the interest of scientific temperance. One school accepted the Crusader Monthly. Flower Mission day was observed by giving flowers to the sick.—Mrs. Cofer, Pres. Palmer Union.

Indianapolis Harriet Brand Union.

Has held 3 evangelistic meetings at colored orphanage. Furnished solos for 4 evangelistic meetings; held 2 cottage prayer meetings; arrangements made for a funeral and singers furnished; bible reading and prayer at 3 houses; one conversion result of the cottage prayer meeting; 2 public meetings in churches.

Flower Mission—Coal, \$3; garments, \$18; groceries, \$2; meals, \$2.50; donations, \$5.75; sick calls, 50; flowers, \$1.25; bedstead and mattress given away. This union has interesting meetings and is increasing in membership. The president, Mrs. Lancaster, of 1235 Brookside avenue, gave three days to work for the election of Miss Mary Nicholson to the Indianapolis school board and worked one-half the day of the election at the polls.

Indianapolis Vayhinger W. C. T. U.

Calls made on sick, 39; in interest of union, 61; on members, 17; invitations to meetings, 61; 46 were written; visits to schools, 12; attended school receptions, 3; attended mothers' meetings, 10; number of bouquets and text cards, 38, besides Flower Mission day at the Children's Orphan Home. There we gave flowers and cards to 120 children and 6 attendants; pages of all departments of literature, 7,939; press notices of meetings, 18; reports to message, 2; 6 growing plants to school and \$1.50 cash for school hedge; world's temperance Sunday specially observed in 4 churches; addressed 1 young people's society on temperance and life of Frances Willard; presented a 19x25 picture of Miss Willard, framed, to (No. 15) the Gregg school; Bible study classes attended, 22; attended state Sunday school convention 3 days; attended Juvenile League 2 meetings; reported 2 cases to Juvenile League; held a mothers' meeting with topic of "Sabbath Observance," or how to entertain the children on Sabbath; sermons on Sabbath observance, 2; addresses on systematic giving, 2; Frances Willard Heavenly birthday observed; held three public meetings, 2 special speakers on first quarter temperance Sunday; attended all but one county executives; attended 4 sessions of county institute; assisted in 2 medal contests.—Mrs. Grace Altvater, President, 564 Hamilton ave.

Work of the Thurman Union and of the Presidents From October, 1909.

Meetings held in homes, 6; public meetings, 7; total abstinence pledges signed, 110; new members, 7; distributed bouquets and 54 pages of literature to patients in Lincoln hospital and in some homes; given substantial help to 3 families in distress; assisted a young woman working her way through school; 100 pages of literature given to Colored Industrial school; secured work for needy widow with children and helped her in other ways for 6 months. I have made 121 calls, and under the head of Evangelistic Department, I have 10 families reading the Bible daily and sending in reports; journal work, 36 inches of advertising matter. As county superintendent of colored work, I attended the state Federation of Colored Women's Clubs in Indianapolis, in May, and then the National Federation of Colored Women's Clubs in Louisville, Ky., in July. I was able to interest several in our work at both conventions. At the national I listened to several excellent papers and reports of temperance work as it is being done in all parts of the country.

Under the Department of Mothers' Clubs, I have on three different occasions secured temperance lecturers to speak to gatherings of mothers of Indianapolis. Each of these meetings has been successful. Respectfully,—(Mrs.) M. A. Clark, Supt. of County Work Among the Negroes.

Indianapolis South Side Union—A New Union Last Year.

Of literature 2,444 pages have been distributed since last September. The Sabbath observance superintendent has distributed in churches possibly 100 pages of tracts. The L. T. L. is doing nicely under the leadership of Mrs. Saucer. More children being present at the last meeting than at any time since organization, but helpers are needed. The L. T. L. will picnic with the union at Brookside park July 19, after which they will disband until fall. The South Side union is going to circulate a petition to induce South Side grocers to close stores all day on Sunday. The women will begin at once. They realize the work they have undertaken is no easy task, but believe that even if the end desired is not accomplished, the W. C. T. U. will be better known on the South Side.

Recently a little child was seen going into a saloon carrying a bucket. A policeman had just gone into the saloon. A woman who had seen both, waited until the little one came out, and asked what it had in its bucket. The child let her see for herself. She was very indignant and waited for the policeman to come out of the saloon. When he did she asked him why he had permitted the saloon keeper to sell beer to the little child. The policeman told her to "go her way, mind her own business and would attend to his." The woman has the name of the policeman and name of the child and has a witness. It has

been taken up by the union and will be, within the next few days, presented to Chief of Police Capt. Hyland. If he does not take action, the matter will be taken to Judge Stubbs, of the Juvenile court.

We hope to do more work for our Master as the days go by. We have nearly doubled our membership since last September. Very truly.—Mrs. Henry, Pres., 920 Laurel St.

Indianapolis Central Union is honored in having on its list of membership several county officers and county superintendents, whose work is not counted wholly in the union. Among these are our county president, Mrs. Artman, and county vice president, Dr. Keller. Early in the year we were greatly bereaved by the loss by death of our dear beautiful president, Mrs. J. M. Schneerer. Later the work was taken up by dear, capable Mrs. A. N. Bonham. In a short time on account of serious illness in her home, it again became necessary to seek a president. Mrs. W. N. Norris, a woman of fine ability, whose hands were full, was prevailed upon to serve as our president. Mrs. Norris had served for several years as superintendent of Mothers' meetings and had accomplished much in that line. At the present time Mrs. Norris is the president of the Parent-Teacher Association of School 52. This great organization is the outgrowth of the parlor mothers meetings held under the auspices of Central union by Mrs. Norris. These meetings were held all year once a month, with mothers and teachers at the school building. Before the close of school a unique entertainment was given. In the open yard there were physical exercises by the pupils of the school. There was a fish pond and a baby show, for which tickets had been sold, and there were refreshments sold. Net profits were over \$200, money to be used for Rest room for teachers and pupils and benefit of the school. Eight parlor Mothers' meetings have been held.

The July meeting was an all-day picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick. The program consisted of after-dinner speeches by Hon. F. T. McWhirter, Mrs. S. R. Artman, Mrs. Carrie Quinn and Mrs. Darby. Eighteen thousand pages of literature have been distributed, 350 papers and 35 magazines. The union is affiliated with the Local Council of Women and its members are actively interested in Civic conditions. Two members are probation officers for the Juvenile court. The Door of Hope receives much help from the union. Four of the seven members of the board of managers are members of the union—Mrs. Moody, Cowan, May and Miss Dame. Mrs. L. D. B. Cowan is the evangelistic superintendent and Mrs. Una Franklin assistant. Mrs. Cowan arranges for speakers for all Gospel services at Door of Hope. Mrs. Franklin has assisted in twenty factory meetings, made twenty-five calls on the sick, distributed 1,000 pages of religious literature and over 300 religious papers, 50 cards and leaflet, held cottage prayer meetings in homes and does much Gospel work.

Some rag rugs have been made and sold by the union. Central union united with others in holding a Flower mission service at Door of Hope. Flowers are given and visits made to the sick every week. Temperance songs are sung in the meetings and much work for prohibition and purity is done by the membership, a goodly number of whom read The Union Signal and Phalanx.

Central union has a Loyal Temperance Legion that is doing excellent work under leadership of Mrs. Marie Leck Yount.

Brightwood W. C. T. U. since last September has gained five members and five have moved away. Total of 33 paid members.

We pay toward the salary of the chief lady probation officer in Police Judge J. A. Collins' court and have pledged \$1 per month to the county W. C. T. U. Foreign Mission Sunday school.

On May 10 we entertained our husbands at the home of our Press and L. T. L. superintendent, and received 10 honorary members.

The three ministers spoke on temperance and a railroad engineer who will soon be ordained to the ministry, led the devotional service. We have held three public meetings with our county president, Mrs. Artman, county treasurer, Mrs. J. B. Heath, and state vice president, Mrs. Stanley, respectively, taking an offering at each meeting.

At Christmas time we took fruit and vegetables to the Door of Hope. On Flower Mission day bouquets of flowers tied with white ribbon and text cards were taken to the same institution. Rev. J. L. Stout, of the M. E. church, accompanied us. On arriving we found some of the Central W. C. T. U. women present and held a union service. Rev. Stout led the devotional service and spoke very helpfully. There have been 35 bouquets and 21 text cards given out, \$2.92 contributed for this fund, besides food, over 500 pages of literature given. A sick man in our community, who is almost an infidel, broke down and cried when given a bouquet of flowers with the text card. The superintendent of work among colored people visited one of the colored unions, getting two women put on white ribbons and a colored minister was won to the cause of prohibition. She is planning a meeting among the colored people of this part of the city to be held in the near future.

The L. T. L. work among the children is our specialty. We have 47 enrolled members, 18 paid members, held 50 meetings, given out 1430 pages of literature, 52 social visits, 12 visits to sick,

loaned books, given out flowers and fruit and clothing; also \$5 to our foreign mission. Our superintendent of mothers' meetings in Houghville moved away in April. However, she held two good meetings, one with the Kindergarten mothers at the Kindergarten hall, Mrs. McWhirter being the speaker. Also one at School No. 51, Mrs. E. Stanley speaker, the principal and her chief helper put on the ribbon. A meeting was held at the home of our new superintendent, Mrs. Etta Cannaday, 2366 Adams street, June 16. Mrs. Martha Gipe gave a very excellent talk on woman's work in all reform movements and the work of the mothers' department. Our press superintendent sent two items to the Message, one to the Brightwood Messenger and one to the Gazette, the latter being local papers.

Literature given out by our superintendent and others, 772 pages. Our superintendent has been greatly hindered all winter and spring on account of rheumatism.

Sunday school superintendent has given out nearly 1,000 pages of literature, got 209 pledges signed, had one temperance talk and one recitation on one of the temperance Sundays, gave out two Sunday school programs. She also being our superintendent of Sabbath observance, has had two Sabbath observance sermons preached. Union has held one meeting on this department. Superintendent conducted devotionals at two of our mothers' meetings; also at one public meeting.

The superintendent of S. T. I. has made four visits to School No. 51, gave out 75 pages of literature on this subject, special talks given to pupils by two of our women. There is an hour and a half given each Monday morning to this department. The principal, Miss McGee, is very much interested in our work, and willingly assembles classes to hear talks and lessons on this department. Our evangelistic superintendent conducts devotionals at most of our meetings, and has given out some literature. Our superintendent of railroad work has also given out about 150 pages of literature. Other departments are being worked, but so far I am unable to report for them. Respectfully submitted.—Mrs. O. R. Rash, Pres.

Brightwood Union.

Indianapolis Meridian W. C. T. U., with a membership of 113 and 11 on the honorary list, is prosperous and doing her part as best she knows.

We have superintendents for 18 departments reporting as follows:

Evangelistic—Mrs. Hickman, superintendent, who has either filled the place herself in the absence of the one on the program or supplied a leader. We have made this a special feature this year and the superintendent has kept in touch with the work and notified those participating at each meeting. Mrs. Davis has been of assistance to us as the county superintendent, conducting the services at Woman's prison Flower Mission day.

Press—Mrs. Minnie Blodgett, as superintendent, has been unable to report our meetings as she had in her heart to do on account of sorrow in the family. Each meeting is announced and a few reports to our Message of good meetings held.

Fairs and Open-air Meetings—When the time comes, our superintendent, Mrs. Juday, will be on hands at State Fair with able assistants. A picnic is planned for August.

Anti-Narcotics—In Mrs. Lambert, our local superintendent, we have our county superintendent also, who is doing her best, never failing to speak a word for her department.

Mercy—Mrs. Mina Murphy, who has this work more to heart than any woman in our midst. She never loses an opportunity to assist the unfortunate, whether man or beast. This department has been especially active through Mrs. Shortridge, in an educational way. A prize of \$10 worth of books was offered to the school whose pupils could write the best composition on "The Humane Treatment of the Horse." This was won by Tillie Steinberg, 8 B, of School No. 4, Michigan and Blackford. This makes \$20 worth of books won by this school.

Literature—Mrs. Reveal has distributed many pages and secured several subscriptions to the Union Signal and Crusader Monthly Purity in Literature and Art. Mrs. Sherwood is a wide-awake superintendent, doing everything she can for her department.

Hadley School—Mrs. Hann. So long as we owned Hadley, we have been loyal in our support. Pledged \$5 this year.

Sabbath Observance—Mrs. Morgan is especially interested at this time in assisting in getting for the Greek boot shiners their Sunday.

Flower Mission—Mrs. Reynolds. We have always been active in this department, this year no exception. We visited Woman's prison with text cards, literature and a good program. The jail with text cards and flowers; also "Door of Hope," Kalley Home for Aged, and many shut-ins, 265 bouquets in all. Esther union, Broad Ripple union and other friends participated.

As a union we contributed to the foreign work and are assisting as far as possible with the W. C. T. U. Mission school. Mrs. Bresett and daughter, with others from other unions, organized this school and Mothers' Day union.

We have observed Red Letter day, Frances Willard Memorial, February 17, Neal Dow, March 20. We held a reception for Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, securing 5 new members at this time. Observed Presidents' day in April, at which time letters of greeting were read from presidents of various

unions. Several presidents responded personally, also some of our past presidents responded with encouraging words.

We are supplying 5 schools with the Crusader Monthly for one year. As special work and to make money, we pieced carpet-rags for rugs. We secured several good orders, all of which have been filled, and a neat sum of money turned over to our efficient treasurer.

A special feature, our visiting and refreshment committee, to promote interest and friendly feeling among our members, has been very gratifying when it was possible to give it necessary time and thought. We hope to do better another year.

As an affiliated society to the local council of women, we have a splendid report every meeting from our faithful delegate, Mrs. Mildred Stockman.

June 15 we observed as a special children's meeting, designating it "Story-telling Hour for Children." The program in charge of Mrs. Stella King, was enjoyed by all. Many children participated. Miss Margaret Perfect, one of our young women, of whom we are very proud, then entertained us with three interesting stories. All becoming as children and sitting in a circle 'round her, enjoyed the stories immensely.

Our July meeting, July 13, with Mrs. Murphy, 1219½ E. Vermont street, is a Mothers' meeting with Mrs. Stockman in charge. No meeting is held but that some department is presented.

We feel much encouraged with our work and will continue to press forward. Yours in his Service.—Mrs. Nettie Cohea, Pres.

Indianapolis Frances E. Willard Union.

The superintendents are active, willing workers.

Visits to sick, 225; care of sick, 10 days; bouquets and potted plants, 290; Sunday school pledge cards signed, 150; glasses of jelly, 25; preserves, 4 quarts; 6 dozen oranges; new suit of clothes, 5 pairs shoes; pages literature, 2,874; money spent, \$16.28; pledge cards signed, 172; temperance Sunday school lessons taught, 11. A new plan is being developed. It is this: To select some unfortunate person to write a letter to once a month, endeavoring to interest them in the W. C. T. U. work, and when convenient, to pay the dollar dues for her (or his) membership in the union. Five elderly ladies' dues have thus been paid. Others have taken names and are sending letters.

There are now forty active members and five honorary. The union is affiliated with the Local Council of Women and assists in police matron work. One church meeting addressed by Col. Eli F. Ritter, Mrs. L. W. Gray, president.

Indianapolis Gray W. C. T. U., organized June 9, 1909, in a beautiful North Side part of the city by Mrs. Gray and Frances Willard union. Members, 15; honoraries, 4; meetings held regularly and much interest among the young people. Thirty boys have signed the anti-tobacco pledge.

Two young ladies in this union have been writing letters to older ladies and have interested them in the work and now have paid dues for two of them.

Observed Flower Mission Day Together.

The Frances Willard and the Gray union observed a pretty and appropriate Flower Mission service at the Home for Aged Women and at the Methodist Hospital Flower Mission day.

The devotions were in charge of the Rev. John Reagle, of Hall Place M. E. church. The song service was opened by singing "Let a Little Sunshine In," after which was a reading by Miss Gordon and a vocal solo by Miss Lancaster; then "Lead, Kindly Light," was sung by all present, and was followed by an address on the work of the Flower Mission by Mrs. S. R. Artman, our county president. Mrs. Artman said, in part:

"Flowers are the fairest, the most welcome of all God's messengers. They will win their way into the hardest hearts when everything else has failed. Often one tiny little flower given at the right moment will cause a saddened heart to turn heavenward and blossom forever in the sunlight of God's kingdom.

"We cannot tell whence came their bright colors, yet we know they are of God; sent to us to remind us of the eternal in everything. With Tenyson, 'If we could understand you, little flower, root and all, we would know what God and Heaven is.' More people are starved to death for love and sympathy than for bread, and what we need is the faith of the flowers to leave with God all we cannot understand."

After the address Mrs. W. W. Scott sang a group of spring songs and the meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. George B. McKee, county superintendent of Good Citizenship. One hundred eighty bouquets were distributed.—Mrs. L. W. Gray, Pres. Frances Willard Union; Mrs. Bruce Shields, Pres. Gray Union.

Field News

FORT WAYNE.—Frances Willard Union must apologize for not sending more items to our Message. But the sisters of Frances Willard Union are so busy planning for our state convention to be held in our city this fall. Our president, Mrs. Ridenour, wishes through this paper to thank all of our state superintendents for their liberal contributions of literature, which we used in the

showing of our many departments at our reception given with our club league ladies at our public library Saturday, April 2. There were about 150 guests in attendance. Mrs. Florence Richards, one of our national workers, addressed the meeting in the afternoon.

And our words of praise can't do her justice. She held her listeners spell-bound for one hour and twenty minutes. Following the address was a grand reception. Mrs. Richards, our president, Mrs. Ridenour; Mrs. Guildrie, president Federation of Clubs; Mrs. Burns and Mrs. Taylor, chairman of the day, stood in the receiving line.

We had 24 tables showing the different departments of our work.

Our state lecturer, Mrs. Perkins, introduced the visitors to our different departments, explaining our work as she went along. Dainty refreshments were served by our social committee.

On Sunday Mrs. Richards spoke at two of our churches and we have gained quite a few new members by her visit.—Mrs. N. J. Hunter, Press Superintendent.

LIBERTY, UNION COUNTY.—Flower Mission day was observed June 8. Meeting was held with Mrs. J. W. Norris at the county infirmary. In spite of the inclemency of the weather, there was a large turn-out, about forty in attendance, including members and visitors. The program included a reading, "Life Sketches of Jennie Cassady," by Mrs. Lizzie Coughlin; reading, "Work of Frances Barrett Caloway," Mrs. T. W. Records; paper, "Flower Mission Day," Mrs. Minnie Carson; recitation, "Why a Flower Mission?" Mrs. Ada Garrett. Mrs. Morris favored the meeting with appropriate song selections on the phonograph. Inmates of the asylum were remembered by the ladies with flowers and candies.—Mrs. Minnie Stivers, Press Supt.

Probably the most interesting meeting of this year was that of the local W. C. T. U. held Thursday afternoon, July 14, at the home of Mrs. Archie Wilson. The occasion was signalized by the entrance into the union of twenty-three (23) new paid members, and twelve (12) part paid, these being secured by two divisions of soliciting members under the title of the "Reds" and "Blues," the "Reds" winning, and with the new members, will be banqueted by the "Blues" later on. This ingathering of new membership adds great strength to the local union and makes more certain effective work for good in the future.

The program of Thursday's meeting with Mrs. Chas. Martin as leader, was one of pertinence and real interest throughout. There was a lively running discussion of each paper and reading presented, and the discussions were participated in by a larger number than is usual, bringing out many good thoughts and suggestions. Program as follows:

Scripture reading, prayer and song; paper, "Parlor Gambling" Mrs. Clara Egan; reading, "Society and Society Women," Mrs. C. E. Carson; paper, "Be Temperate in All Things," Mrs. Chas. Filer; reading, "Is Cider Harmless?" Mrs. Chas. Coughlin; reading, "Spirituous Liquors Not Needed in Medicine and the Arts."—Mrs. Chas. Stivers.

MADISON.—The Senior L. T. L. with their friends, was entertained at the home of Miss Golden Skeldon on North Jeff street Monday night, July 11, from 7 to 10 o'clock. A very pleasant program was given, consisting of reports of delegates of the convention at Greensburg, who brought home four pennants. Readings by Miss Florence Demaree and talks by Rev. Renolds and wife, Rev. Childs and wife, Mesdames Denny, Augustine and Jannison. Refreshments were served and all enjoyed a jolly, good time. The Madison Seniors are hustlers. Awake, ye W. C. T. U.'s or they will leave you in the shade.

MILLGROVE.—One of the most delightful days in the history of the Millgrove W. C. T. U. was Sunday, April 18, on account of the presence of the state president, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger. At the M. E. church, in the morning, she preached an interesting gospel sermon, and in the evening delivered a fine temperance address to a large and appreciative audience. The union was strengthened by her coming and at the close of the evening service a number of persons signed the pledge.

BRIGHT.—The Bright W. C. T. U. gave an entertainment in the town hall on the evening of March 25. Members of the unions and invited guests to the number of eighty-five were present. A short program was rendered by the gentleman selected. The pastor of the Presbyterian church concluded the program with a fifteen minutes' talk. He eulogized the women upon their good work in the cause of temperance, and along other lines of reform, all tending to the uplifting of fallen humanity. At the conclusion of the literary program, a two-course luncheon was served and greatly enjoyed by the gentlemen, who were the invited guests, some forty or more having responded. Six dollars and fifty cents was reported from the sale of tags; also one new member added to the union.—Mrs. Mattie M. Jackson, Corresponding Secretary.

BLACKFORD COUNTY INSTITUTE.

Blackford county institute was held in the M. E. church at Montpelier. The weather was fine, the attendance large, interest deep and enthusiasm high.

The ladies of Montpelier union spared no pains in providing royally for the entertainment of their guests and performed their part in a magnificent manner. They served a fine dinner and supper in the basement of the church.

The church was beautifully decorated in the colors of the organization and on the platform were bouquets of beautiful flowers and resting

on an easel the picture of our sainted leader, Francis E. Willard, and above it a large white bow.

The White Ribboners were highly honored by having with them the two noble temperance leaders of the state, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger and Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, and with them on the platform sat the loving county president, Mrs. S. M. Stahl. With the presence and help of these three great leaders of the temperance army and the various ministers representing different churches throughout the county, the institute could not be otherwise than a great success. On Wednesday evening Mrs. Vayhinger delivered a stirring address to an appreciative audience.

On Thursday morning the meeting was opened by singing "Make the Map All White," after which Mrs. Vayhinger offered an earnest, effective prayer in behalf of the great work. During the day a large and interesting program was carried out, which consisted of various talks by the state leaders and ministers and interesting papers were read by a number of the white ribboners.

One of the most interesting events of the day was a lively discussion on the subject of capital punishment.

In the evening an excellent address was delivered by Mrs. Stanley and a nice musical program was rendered, which consisted of beautiful songs by the choir and a number of beautiful solos by different persons. The white ribboners then returned to their homes, feeling that it was one of the greatest meetings Blackford county ever held, and they were filled with new inspiration, higher aims and greater determination to pray more, make new and better plans and strive to accomplish much in the coming year for the great work of God and home and native land, and to not give up the fight until the map of old Blackford county is made white and "Old Glory," with her stars and stripes, will no longer be trailed in the dust, but can be unfurled to the gentle breezes of our state and nation, which will be free from the contamination of the fumes of the liquor traffic.

FAIRMOUNT FLOWER MISSION.—Flower Mission day was observed by the Fairmount W. C. T. U. at the home of Mrs. Alice Bogue on June 9, where 50 bouquets were made and with texts cards were distributed to the sick and "shut-ins" of our town.

Many expressed their appreciation. We hope that seed sown in this way will not be lost.

We appreciate very much the assistance of Mrs. Asa Driggs and Mrs. Adkinson, members of the M. E. church, who were not members of the W. C. T. U.

EARL PARK.—Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, our state president of the W. C. T. U., gave a very good temperance lecture on the subject, "After Local Option, What Then?" in the Presbyterian church June 22. Miss Lois Vayhinger gave a very interesting reading.—Mrs. A. F. Jacobs, Press Supt.

MRS. BELLE WHITE, formerly of Indianapolis, is living at Leigh, North Dakota, and is busy working for the Master.

MRS. MARY A. MOODY, state superintendent of "Household Economics", is spending a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Palmer, in New York city.

MRS. ELIZABETH STANLEY is called for two weeks' campaign in the district of Friends' Yearly Meeting of Eastern Indiana. She is also engaged for county teachers' institutes in Southern Indiana, and Chautauquas in August. These addresses will be on scientific temperance instruction.

CARMEL.—The Carmel W. C. T. U. met at the beautiful country home of Mrs. Hannah Garrity on Thursday afternoon, June 13. It was children's day for the union and a company of sixty-seven was present. The children gave an excellent program, consisting of readings, songs and short recitations.

Our hostess gave a short talk, speaking of the object of the W. C. T. U. and the good which it has accomplished. She thought every woman ought to be able to find a congenial place to work in some of the many departments.

Received an addition of two to our membership. After the program refreshments were served, and a social hour completed a delightful afternoon.

PORTLAND STREET CARNIVAL.—Here in Portland we have just lived through (some of us) a "glorious Fourth." The management had arranged for a street carnival, although the business men who gave the money to make it possible, were kept in the dark as to the nature and location of the "attractions." When, on Sunday, our brick streets were filled with filthy tents and filthy people, a mass meeting was hurriedly called, and after the regular church services in the evening, all congregations gathered at the Methodist church, which was filled. Indignation ran high, and a committee of 35 men, ministers and business men, was appointed to present to the mayor a petition signed by practically every person in the church, asking that the streets be cleared. Perhaps 75 people, men and women, called on the mayor immediately and presented the request. He called the head of the management, and together they flatly refused to do anything except to appoint a committee of the protestors to investigate the shows and promised, if they found anything immoral, to at once remove the show. The shows were investigated, though there was really no need to enter to render a verdict of immorality. Yet when the officer was notified, and the mayor had himself seen two performances, the show was allowed to go on. Some of our women took a stand in front of one of the

worst (the Salome dancer) and although they were ordered off the street three times by the show manager, they remained. The crowd of men and boys respectfully and shamefacedly refused to enter while the ladies remained. Seeing this, the manager and his girls became insulting in their manners to the ladies; but they stayed until they decided to go for recruits, thinking to prevent any repetition of the show, by their presence. However, because of the great crowd, they failed to find the desired assistants, and the show went on. They want to give their experience to the W. C. T. U. women over the state. They feel that if the women prepare for these things, and if all other means fail as in our case, to take a stand before or in the tents. Great good would be done. Through the misrepresentations of the management here we were not prepared to meet it. Let us warn others, and beg you not to allow your young men and boys in knickerbockers to be defiled by such awful scenes.

One auto racer was killed and his mechanic seriously injured; two other men were injured by getting in the way of the trains. The son of one of our W. C. T. U. women was arrested for intoxication (in a "dry" town, into which it is estimated by the Sun, which upholds the management, about 7,000 bottles of beer had been shipped for the celebration). But the manager made a pile and the wail of the widow and orphans and broken-hearted mothers do not yet reach him. The judgment day cometh. "Whosoever offendeth one of these little ones who believe in me, it is better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck and he were cast into the sea." "Vengeance is mine," saith the Lord.—Mrs. Fred Stovenour, Pres. Portland W. C. T. U.

VAN BUREN.—The W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Will Lytle on Flower Mission day. The house was beautifully decorated with flowers. After devotional service a paper was read by Mrs. Lytle. Subject: "Give Them the Flowers Now;" paper by Mrs. Henry Jones, "The Life of Jennie Cassaday;" paper by Mrs. Atwell, "What Flower Mission Day Means to Children in Large Cities." Think of the dear children in the cities who never have any beautiful flowers. How we should strive to make their lives more happy! Oh how we sometimes neglect to give the flowers! We should give them now and speak our words of comfort and cheer, for one day's neglect may be too late forever. Paper by Mrs. Dunkin on "The Shadows;" one by Mrs. Ida Cribbs; another by Mrs. Miller, "The Inside Saloon." Mrs. Octavia Newberger joined the White Ribbon band. Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Lytle and Mrs. Roy Smith.—Mrs. L. F. Martin.

MT. VERNON.—The W. C. T. U. held a very interesting meeting June 9, the birthday of Jennie Cassaday, and sent to sick and afflicted 17 bouquets, with verses and white ribbon; to the infirmary, 29; to the jail, 9, making 55 in all. Each inmate at the infirmary and prisoners at the jail were given a generous supply of bananas, candy, cake and cookies. The ministers gave excellent talks. There were several recitations at the infirmary. Mrs. Kling, a lady who was injured on a traction car a year ago, to whom we had sent a bouquet, volunteered to give a concert for the W. C. T. U. Saturday afternoon, realizing \$9.25 for us, for which we were very thankful.

POSEYVILLE.—The W. C. T. U. observed Flower Mission day June 16 with the president. Several very interesting readings and talks were given on the life of Jennie Cassiday and the mission of flowers. Owing to the scarcity of flowers there were only 16 bouquets sent out. The aged, sick, afflicted and the ministers, editors and postmaster were all remembered with a bouquet with verse card tied with white ribbon. At the close of the service light refreshments were served.

MATHEWS.—The W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Cora Osburn July 15. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Lena Sham; vice president, Mrs. Cora Osburn; secretary, Mrs. Allie Garretson; treasurer, Mrs. Ina Keeghler. Leaflets read: "Righteous Citizenship," Ina Keeghler; "Who Shall Stay the Gambling Craze?" May Boyer; "Curfew Bells Must Ring Tonight," Mrs. Osburn; "Why Should a Church Member Belong to the W. C. T. U.?" Mrs. Eunice Bartlett; "Is It Wise to Give Alcoholic Remedies to Children?" Lena Shaw; poem, "What Makes 'Em Have Saloons?" Allie Garretson. Charley Shaw, one of our young contest boys, who recently won the silver medal, gave the reading, "Two Glasses," which was very much appreciated. The union is planning to hold a social August 10.—Allie Garretson, Press Superintendent.

KOKOMO.—The South Side Kokomo union is growing. The ladies are doing a great deal of good. Every meeting is well attended and spiritually uplifting. The last three meetings were parlor meetings held at the homes of Mrs. Kate Keck, Mrs. Lucy Albright and Mrs. Martha Richards, respectively. Mrs. Richards served light refreshments. There were present, besides our own members, the president and several members of the North union, who gave us some very pleasant and helpful talks. The North Side ladies are greater in number than our little union of the South Side. Both of our presidents are small of stature. We claim to be just as wide awake, and intend to be found in the front ranks of the W. C. T. U. work.—Mary Gibbs, Press Reporter.

LA PORTE.—The W. C. T. U. members are feeling good over the success of their essay contest. So much so that they expect to keep on doing and to gain still greater success. With such extremely hot weather and sickness in the homes of some of the members the last few meetings

have not been so well attended. But as the work for the year is drawing near the end and reports will soon have to be given, all will become more interested. Several expect to attend the state convention.—Mrs. Seth Pease, Press Supt.

SOUTH BEND.—The annual picnic held at Leeper Park Wednesday the 13th by the Pleasant View W. C. T. U. ladies was attended by 75 in number. After a picnic dinner served by the generous hostesses, Mrs. L. A. Lydick, Mrs. Ora Miller, Mrs. Delia Chamberlain, Mrs. W. W. Hicks, a short but very good program was presented, consisting of devotional exercises, led by Mrs. Hicks; "America," sung by all; a reading by Mrs. O. A. Dalrim, on "Signing the Pledge;" Miss Margaret Williams sang "Sunbeams," and was followed by a reading, "Is It Worth the Sacrifice?" by L. A. Lydick. Little Miss Helen Geyer closed the program with a very fine recitation, "Poor Little Joe." After a few delightful hours were spent a lunch of cream and cake, by the hostesses, completed the day. The union will meet August 10 with Mrs. T. H. Jackson, north of the Michigan-avenue road half mile. We hope to see a good number out and the subjects on the state program well discussed.—Mrs. Jacob Miller, 2304 Michigan Ave.

GRANT COUNTY.—The Grant County W. C. T. U., through its local unions, is praying the board of directors of the Grant County Fair Association to exclude indecent shows from the fair grounds at Marion this year. The president of the board, John L. Thompson, of Gas City, Republican candidate for congress from the eleventh district, has asked for a meeting with the committee and has expressed his desire to make the county fair a clean institution and asks the co-operation of the W. C. T. U. in bringing that condition to pass.

Mrs. Mattie C. Gibson, of Jonesboro, a pioneer W. C. T. U. worker in both county and state, after a long confinement to her home on account of illness in her family, is in the field again, visiting unions, delivering lectures and performing all kinds of instructive and constructive W. C. T. U. work.

The Swayzee union passed resolutions deploring the state of morals that could tolerate the recent prize fight at Reno, Nev., and against the reproduction of the beastly affair by moving pictures.

Fairmount and North Marion unions held "safe and sane" Fourth of July celebrations, with a large attendance at each place. Excellent speakers, including Clifford G. Roe, of Chicago; Rev. F. C. McCormick, of Hartford City, and Dr. Verne Baldwin, of Greentown, delivered addresses on different phases of the great reform. Music was furnished by the Fairmount band, quartets, soloists, etc. Refreshments were served on the grounds.

Oak Ridge union has had an enlarged vision and is doing missionary work in an adjoining neighborhood.

Old Jonesboro, whom her sister unions thought almost "dead enough to bury," has had new life injected into her veins and has become one of the most active and aggressive unions in Grant county.

The Oak Chapel union, Mrs. Sarah E. Stout, president, has held a mothers' meeting every month this year. That their works keep pace with their prayers is evidenced by the fact that their Tag Day collection is twenty-one dollars.—Sarah E. Thomas, County Press Supt.

FORT WAYNE.—Independence day at Swinney Park, Fort Wayne, was appropriately celebrated. The Fort Wayne Morning Journal July 5 gave two and a half columns under the following bold head: "Sane Fourth at Swinney. Independence Day Fittingly Celebrated Yesterday. Three Thousand People Witnessed the Day's Doing, and Program Was Carried Out Perfectly—Old Glory Presented to the City." The reports indicate that there was great interest in a day devoted entirely to patriotism. The program as arranged was carried out perfectly, with Mr. Charles S. Bash as master of ceremonies. From 9 to 10 o'clock in the morning music was furnished by the band, interspersed with songs and drills by the children. At the conclusion of the preliminary music, children, under direction of Prof. Meyer, participated in drills and racing events, after which "America" was sung by all, followed by an invocation. The program was carried out on patriotic lines and was very interesting. The addresses of the speakers representing many vital subjects and teeming with interest.

The comment of the Fort Wayne Journal, under a sub-heading, "Presentation of Flag," was as follows:

"The best part of the day's program, especially the morning, was the presentation of 'Old Glory' to the city of Fort Wayne, a gift from the local Woman's Christian Temperance union, which was done by Mrs. C. D. Ridenour, president of the organization. The flag was elevated to the top of the pole and as it unfurled a great bunch of tiny flags was sent floating down through the audience. Mrs. Ridenour made the presentation to the city."

Then followed an extract from Mrs. Ridenour's address and also an extract from the response by Judge Owen N. Heaton, who, on behalf of the city of Fort Wayne, accepted the flag. The flag was 18x24 feet and cost \$24.

Mrs. Ridenour's address:

Mr. Chairman, Citizens and Friends.—I come before you representing the Frances Willard Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Fort Wayne auxiliary to the national W. C. T. U., which is organized in every state and territory

in the union, including the District of Columbia, Alaska, Canal zone, Hawaii and the Philippines, and locally in 12,000 towns and cities.

It is the largest society composed exclusively of women and conducted entirely by them.

We believe in the gospel of the Golden Rule and that each man's habits of life should be an example safe and beneficent for every other man to follow.

We believe that God created both man and woman in his own image, and therefore we believe in one standard of purity for both men and women and in the equal right of all to hold opinions and to express the same with equal freedom.

We believe in a living wage; in courts of conciliation and arbitration; in justice as opposed to greed of gain; in "peace on earth and good will to men." You ask, have men no place in this organization?

Yes, they are admitted as honorary members.

But why not as full members?

Because the need which called for a separate organization still exists. If, in the good day toward which we are hastening woman is to take her place side by side with man in all of life's relations, she must fit herself for that position. To him has been given the training of the ages; to her little more than a quarter of a century. Our organization exists, as did the law, "as a school mistress," to bring us to that better dawning when in Christ Jesus there shall be neither Jew nor Greek, bond nor free, male nor female."

Our lines of work are organization, preventive, educational, evangelistic, social and legal. Under these six chief heads are grouped various departments under the charge of a national superintendent. The total number of departments is 44. In the name of this grand organization, which is world wide, being organized in 50 different nations, with a membership of about half a million, under the motto "For God and Home and Every Land," and the badge, a knot of white ribbon, symbolic not only of purity and peace, but it includes all the correlated reforms that center in the protection of the home.

In the name of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union we present the flag to the city of Ft. Wayne, to be used in this park—the flag which history tells us was first designed by Geo. Washington and made by Betsy Ross, is a wonderful symbol, its colors, white for purity, blue for truth and red the blood of Christ. The flag should be immune from use for any other purpose except a patriotic one. The meaning of the stars and stripes should be taught to every child and every immigrant. It should be revered for what it represents. It is the flag of no one class of men, of no one party or no one religion. It is the banner of all, and all should protect it.

During Gen. Grant's canvass for the presidency a committee prepared a flag with his portrait on it. This displeased him and he ordered it off, saying, "No man is great enough to have his portrait on the U. S. flag."

When Jenny Lind was singing in New York the American frigate came into the harbor. She went aboard, and, looking up at the floating stars and stripes, she said: "I wish to salute your flag." Uncovering her head and holding her hat in her hand, she began to sing the "Star-Spangled Banner." When she had finished deafening cheers rang out from the St. Lawrence and were taken up by every ship near by, for all had been listening. They knew they heard one of the most inspiring songs in the world sung as they probably would never hear it sung again. But one of the things most needed by this country is patriotism. Men must be reminded of their patriotic duties every day. If the waving of the flag would keep men honest and just and clean, we could afford to fly a flag from every telegraph pole and from every shade tree in every town and city.

What good is there in hailing the flag in a crowd and selling a vote on the sly? How much sincerity is there in shouting for the flag by one who will give and take bribes and plan to trample the laws under foot?

We have queer thoughts when we see the flag flaunted over a place of business that breaks the laws and never loses a chance to belittle and oppose the enforcement of such laws as they wish. Such people are anti-patriotic—the opposite of what the flag stands for, and all who break the laws, no matter who they are, are against the flag.

The clearer we can make this in this county the better it will be for us all.

We are happy to present this flag to float over our park, where provisions have been made that no intoxicants can be sold nor given away; where vulgar and profane language is prohibited; and on the 4th day of July, when two more stars will be placed in the starry back-ground for the new states, Arizona and New Mexico, making 48 stars in all.

We all can say with one accord:

"Then conquer we must when our cause it is just.

And this be our motto: "In God is our trust!"

And the Star-spangled Banner in triumph shall wave

O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave."

SARATOGA.—A W. C. T. U. was organized at Saratoga early in January by Mrs. Sibbitts, of Wichita, Kan. Several very interesting regular and social meetings have been held, among which were the lectures given by Mrs. Stahl, of Hartford City, on May 21-22. On Saturday night she spoke to an attentive audience at the M. E. church. Sunday afternoon she conducted a

mothers' meeting at the U. B. church, which was day night school on Friday evening very much appreciated by all present. On Sunday night a large audience assembled at the M. E. church and were well pleased with her splendid discourse.

Mrs. Stahl's presence was an inspiration to all and fourteen new members were received.

Miss Clara Sears organized a Y. union early in the year, which has been christened the "Sears Y. Union." Meetings are held weekly and a great spirit of enthusiasm is manifested by all. An enrollment of about 30 members has been received. Both societies were greatly invigorated by Mrs. Stahl's work.—I. M. B.

MADISON.—Madison W. C. T. U. held their regular business meeting Tuesday afternoon, July 12, at their hall. The devotional was led by Mrs. Jas. E. Crozier, consisting of scripture reading of the 15th chapter of Isaiah. Song, "Some Glad Day;" prayer by the Rev. Childs, of Franklin. Then followed the following program on "Christian Citizenship;" song, "America," with Mrs. Denny at the piano; paper, "Why I Would Abolish the Sale of Liquor," Mrs. Augustine; paper, "Why I Hate the Liquor Traffic," Mrs. Frank Venter; reading, "Gov. Hanley's Reasons for Hating the Liquor Traffic," by Mrs. Rev. Renolds.

After the reading of the minutes by the secretary, treasurer's report and that of the department superintendents. Mrs. Denny read her report from the L. T. L. convention held at Greensburg last week, which was inspiring to all present.

The four pennants brought home by Mrs. Denny as superintendent of this department, itself speaks highly of the work being done by the L. T. L.

After a rousing talk by the Rev. Childs on "How to Reach the Working Man," during which he recited the "liver-and-thick-steak" story, Mr. Augustine read an appropriate little poem, "Wear the White Ribbon." Mrs. Renolds gave a talk, which was both arousing and encouraging and was appreciated very enthusiastically.

Motion was made to adjourn and the benediction was voiced by Rev. Childs. Mrs. Childs, of Franklin, honored the meeting with her presence.—M. E. B., Press Sup.

HOW ALCOHOL DESTROYS THE MIND.

Five hundred and twenty cases of insanity and epilepsy from Philadelphia and neighboring counties in Pennsylvania investigated by Clyde R. McKinniss, M. D. (Scientific Medical Journal, Oct., 1909), showed that alcohol alone or in combination with some other condition was an important factor in causing 46 per cent. of the insanity, 41 per cent. of the imbeciles, and 34.5 per cent. of the epileptics.

Our Promoted Comrades

Mrs. Hannah Horn Cammack, wife of William Cammack and mother of our dear state Y. secretary, Miss Laura Cammack, died at their home near converse on June 22 after a lingering illness of more than four years. The burial was at Arba, Randolph county, in the vicinity where much of her earlier life was spent. She was in her eighty-second year and had been the mother of seven children, five of whom, with the aged husband, survive her. One son, Irwin Cammack, who has been prominently identified with the Friends' church, is now a missionary in Central America.

Mrs. Cammack had been a very beautiful woman. She had a keen, quick perception and much intelligence, always greatly interested in everything about her. With great appreciation of friendship, generous and kind in disposition, she had a host of friends.

For years she was in delicate health. For more than four years she was confined to her bed, during which time she was tenderly cared for by her loving husband and her devoted daughter Laura. At one time Laura's health became greatly impaired and she went to Battle Creek sanitarium for treatment. Since then she has been almost constantly at her mother's bedside.

Mrs. Cammack longed to be released from her sufferings and go to her Heavenly home, of which she very frequently talked.

She was a member of the noted Horn family. Two sisters, Mrs. Oliver Canaday and Mrs. Jane Lamb and a brother, Mr. Abel Horn, survive her.

Mrs. Cammack had a birthright membership in the Friends' church, was converted in early childhood and was a faithful member until death. The afflicted and needy always found in her a friend and helper. She was a kind and affectionate mother and true companion.

MRS. EMMA CORMICAN of Bright, Ind., wife of Charles Cormican, and a member of the Bright W. C. T. U., died in Christ's Hospital, Cincinnati, June 25. The seniors held a special service at her funeral. They placed a beautiful floral tribute on her casket. The family have the sympathy of the Union in their bereavement. Their loss is her gain.

The Lawrenceburg union sustained great loss in the death of Mrs. Sadie Bobrink, its vice-president. She was faithful in her attendance at the meetings and lived a beautiful christian life, for she had learned the secret of happiness.

No doubt her children will feel her sweet influence in the years to come. Lillie, five years old and Evelyn who always accompanied her mother to the W. C. T. U. meetings, will remember her precious influence. Evelyn was called our little W. C. T. U. girl.

The husband and four children have our deepest sympathy. We are mourners with them and a great host of friends.

We are praying for someone to take up her work in the Lawrenceburg union.

MRS. S. E. HARRYMAN
MRS. HARRY VEST

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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THE FARMER'S WIFE AND THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.

The farmer's wife does the cooking, washing, ironing, mending and sewing for the family, to which she adds the dishwashing, sweeping, making beds, tidying the rooms, dusting, arranging the furnishing, cleaning the walls, scrubbing, bringing in fuel, carrying out ashes, polishing stoves, brushing and airing the clothes. She works in the garden, often digs the potatoes. She gathers the vegetables and prepares them for the table after having cultivated and weeded the crop. She milks the cows carries slop to the pigs, feeds the calves and chickens, sets the hens, runs the incubator, cares for the young chicks, brings up the orphan colt and runt pigs. She nurses, bathes, feeds, dresses and cares for her own baby, looks after the older children, and often does the duty of nurse and doctor. She frequently drives the mower or binder and takes the place of a hand in the cornfield. She runs the cream separator, churns, makes cottage cheese, gathers the eggs, ties up the vines, whitewashes the coops and chicken houses, disinfects outhouses, barns, sinks, drains and wars always on flies, mice, rats and moths. She mows and waters the lawn, cultivates the flowers, gathers berries and other fruit, cans the fruit and vegetables, makes jams, jellies and preserves, bakes bread and cake, buys most of the groceries and clothing. She frequently mends the fences. She hunts up everything that is lost, pumps and carries water, cleans house, washes windows, beats rugs and carpets, paints floors, makes quilts, comforts, pillows, rugs, embroiders household linen, darns the hosiery, feeds the dog, puts the children to bed, winds up the clock and puts out the cat.

In addition to all this she often pays taxes and owns the farm. But the United States government, in collecting census statistics, says she is not self-supporting, has no occupation, and if her husband manages her farm it must be listed as owned by him, and when it comes to voting for more just law the wife is classed with minors, idiots and criminals. She has not sufficient intelligence to vote.—G. Q. C.

LAW ENFORCEMENT.

Nothing brings so much disrepute to law as its non-enforcement. Evidently every new law presumes the necessity of enforcement to make it effective. In time this necessity for executive interference will lessen. Law enforced is an educator of better conditions by virtue of habit and the results which follow. When the policy is conceded by the opposition to be fixed, the difficulty of enforcement is removed. To reach such point is the reason we have for officers.

If law could enforce itself; or, put another way, if every man were a law unto himself, then we would need no executive officers. But since such assumption is absurd and contrary to experience, we justify our plan of electing men to office for the purpose of enforcement of law.

However, the majority of officials act as if they were entrusted only to draw salary and lay schemes for re-election and for promoting a system of graft. New laws especially suffer in the hands of such officers. The opposition is always noisy and determined.

Such now is the condition of the recent liquor laws. The people have spoken. The law is plain. The officer should do his duty without the formality and solemnity of an oath. Yet he is sworn and on his honor made to declare that he will see that the law is obeyed.

When he fails in enforcement the people ought to inquire into the reason. If by majority the voters have expressed their desire to have the benefits of the law in their county, why does the local officer disregard his oath of office, his duty and the expressed will of the people?

The most reasonable answer seems to be that in his election he has deceived the majority. It is incredible that the voter would deliberately vote for any man if at the voting booth he felt sure his will would be disregarded by non-enforcement of law. The average voter, we believe, needs to think more closely and carefully.

Under our system of government no man is elected to any office wholly disrelated to his party. The policy of the party and its relation to every law is regarded and reflected by every nominee and official. If you would know, therefore, the policy and probable action of the official, you must know the policy of his party. Very seldom does an official rise higher than his party, and when he does he commits political suicide. For illustration, look at Seaborn Wright, J. Frank Hanley, Folk, etc. They are with the people, but not with their party policy. They vainly stick to

their parties, hoping to reform them, but will be disappointed.

Reform grows through organizations free from the elements which oppose the reform. A vital policy of any party dies only when its party dies. The cancer of the liquor traffic is grafted into the tissue and blood of the Republican and Democratic parties and reaches into the moral fiber of every official of these parties. Whenever this cancer is disturbed the officer yields or is summarily cut off, it may be taking a part of the cancer to die with him officially; but the old roots are left to thrive and spread.

This is the weakness of local option. The traffic is only crippled. It soon adjusts itself to new conditions and takes on new life.

May the time come when a party wholly committed to the destruction of the traffic, root and branch, will be placed in office by the people!

STATE WIDE PROHIBITION.

The majority of the voters of Indiana want state wide prohibition. The politicians do not want it. Shall the people rule? If the voter is persistent and agitates as he can it may be that the liquor curse will get its due. Ask every candidate how he stands. Ask the legislative candidate to declare himself publicly. If he refuses or fails to do so, cut him off your ballot. The policy of the party can be changed only by a general shaking up of every candidate from constable to state official. Put the question plainly and insist on unequivocal answer. If your party candidate is weak-kneed, why not vote your principle and force your party to come to you or die?

CONSERVATION.

Why not conserve manhood as well as natural resources? The boy is better than coal or forests. The tempted man is worth more than gold or silver. Save him. Conserve manhood and womanhood. Count out the chief source of graft and vice and then push with greater success conservation of natural resources.

INSURGENCY.

It is hopeful to see the breaking away of insurgents. The fire has been hot and the frying pan is not so comfortable. Now where will our friends land?

We will see. New alignments are at hand. Why not follow the illustrious example of the men of 1856 and build around a great moral issue, a new mighty force which will bury deep Cannonism, Aldrichism and all the graft and corrupting influences for which the system stands?

With its death and burial the liquor traffic would also go.

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE.

Dear Comrades of the White Ribbon.—Our coming state convention, Oct. 14-18, promises to be a feast of good things from beginning to end. We have engaged that peerless orator, Clinton N. Howard, to address the mass meeting on Sunday afternoon, and Mrs. E. L. Calkins, state president, of Michigan, will be with us for an address on Tuesday. Monday night we will have a grand jubilee and demonstration of our department work. We will have a chalk talker, diamond medal contest, good music and "features" and surprises, besides which we hope to have the best reports from our departments that we have ever had. This last will depend on you, dear sisters of local unions, and on the faithfulness of your superintendents in reporting the work you have done. Let every local president urge the superintendents of her union to send in full reports and to send them on time.

Each union is entitled to be represented in convention by the president, one delegate at large and one additional delegate for every twenty paid-up members. Let no union fail to be represented for we all need the inspiration that comes from these large gatherings, and the next best thing to attending ourselves is having a wide-awake delegate to attend and bring back a report. Indiana, our loved Indiana, must be redeemed from the terrible curse of the liquor traffic, and we of the white ribbon army must be found in the "fore-front of the battle" until the hosts of rum are routed from the field.

Whether we make a gain in membership or not this year will depend upon the payment of dues by local unions. Every woman who pays dues counts one and these ones make up the thousands that compose our great white ribbon band. So let no woman think it does not matter whether she pays dues or not. It is a crisis in temperance work in the state and no woman can afford to

lessen her influence and the influence of our organization at this time by dropping out. Begin now, dear local treasurers, to collect the dues. Let none get away. We have won many new women this year, but our treasurers' books will not show it unless dues are faithfully collected.

Ere you read this, report blanks and officers' blanks will have been sent to local corresponding secretaries. Elect your officers in September and fill out these officers' blanks and return to me for the state directory. Please do not neglect this. Many will not, I know, but others need to be reminded and urged. This once, dear local corresponding secretaries, please fill these blanks without a second notice. Last year after state convention I had to write to 75 local unions to get the lists of officers. This state directory is important to your state officers and superintendents and we want it complete, and you want the names of your officers in it, so send them in as soon as elected.

Remember, also, that each union is requested to pay 50 cents toward a convention fund, which should be sent to our state treasurer before her books close the 25th of September. Send it in with your dues.

Most of all, pray with your state officers that our meeting in Ft. Wayne may awaken the people and weaken the hold of the rum power in that fair city. Yours and His for service,—Mary E. Woodard.

AN APPEAL SENT TO THE CONGRESS OF MOTHERS IN CONVENTION AT DENVER.

(By Robert N. Wilson, Jr. Secy. Penn. Society for the Prevention of Social Disease.)

Addressed to the President, Mrs. Frederick Schoff.

Would a brief message to the representatives of your great body of American Mothers be in place; and would the fact that it comes in the form of an appeal from the father of one little American girl, who knows no better way of protecting her and her future home, warrant an expression of interest in your influence and in the work you are doing?

Especially at this time the physicians of the country need the help of every educated and intelligent woman in their effort to establish a single standard of morals for the two sexes because in such a standard lies the only possibility of a like standard for physical health. There is already apparent the need to safeguard the health and the permanency of the American people. No effort in their behalf can protect the innocent women and children of this land against the contagious diseases growing out of and spreading mainly by immorality, unless American mothers and girls are made keenly alive to existing conditions that are well known to men. The false teaching that immorality is necessary to the health of and to be condoned in boys and men has already cursed womankind with an invalidism of which she has neither realized the injustice nor the cause.

It is high time her eyes were open to the canker and its cure. Healthy women and children are necessary to national life and health. It is therefore almost beyond belief that a section of every American city is deliberately and publicly dedicated to woman's shame and physical undoing, and to the spread of contagious physical diseases which attack primarily the innocent mother and child.

Cannot and will not the Mothers' Congress go on record this year as pledged to the establishment of and to woman's insistence upon the public and private observance of a single standard of morals for men and women, not only because it is due woman by God's right, but because our scanty public records are giving evidence that without healthy mothers and children even our America may one day totter and fall?

There are at last men who are ready to help and even to lead!

Will you use them or no? Dare you ask each mother where her husband stands in this vital matter?

Confident of my faith and belief in the loyalty and intelligence of the American woman in all matters that concern honor, health and home, believe me faithfully yours,—Robert N. Wilson, Jr.

QUESTION TO CONSIDER.

Why should there be an age of consent to become immoral at all? And especially, why should a minor be legally(?) entrusted to violate a civil and moral law and legally denied the privilege of mortgaging and selling their real estate? The age of consent in Indiana is 16, but no woman is entrusted with her property until she is 21.—Gertrude Q. Campbell, Redkey, Ind.

Necessary to Secure 2711 Membership Fees in September to Hold Our Own

To Hold Our Own Dues Must Be Collected

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Sing the temperance songs at all meetings.

Crusader Monthly subscriptions—25 cents per year—are wise presents for some young medal contest workers.

Since it is assumed that Colorado, because of its increase in population, is entitled to another representative in the national house of representatives, the women of the state have declared that Katherine Williamson shall fill the place. Colorado places women on an equality with men in voting.

Strangers have gone into towns and asked where the W. C. T. U. convention was in session and had to hunt up the minister's home before they could find out.

W. C. T. U. women do great work the influence of which would be doubled if the work was well reported for the local newspapers and for the superintendents of departments.

Why is it that the average woman to whom is assigned the duty of reporting a meeting does not sit down immediately and carefully write out a report? Then it would be ready for the earliest possible publication in a local paper and a condensed report could be mailed the same day to The Message.

Let Municipal Government be the subject of an afternoon meeting. Get information as to how the cities and towns are governed and if possible arouse an interest among women for a good clean city and town, where the laws will be enforced in regard to the Sabbath day and liquor selling, where woman's virtue will not be a market commodity in any illegal house of shame. Women can do much if they are equipped with definite information and act with discretion.

THE STATE W. C. T. U. CONVENTION WILL
BE HELD AT FORT WAYNE OCT. 14-18.

Great preparations are being made by the Ft. Wayne White Ribboners and friends for this convention.

Plan to attend and invite your husband and son and daughter to spend Sunday there and hear the address of Hon. Clinton N. Howard on Sunday afternoon.

OLD COPIES OF THE MESSAGE WANTED.

The Message of the following dates are greatly desired by the editor to complete some files for binding: February, 1904; January, 1905; November, 1906; February, November and December, 1908; February, March, April and May, 1910; the entire year of 1909.

Persons having one or more copies of the above dates, who are willing to sell them at ten cents each, please write a card mentioning the dates, to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College ave., Indianapolis, Ind.

COUNTY W. C. T. U. CONVENTIONS.

The early announcement of all county convention programs will greatly help to make the convention a success.

The convention that is not well advertised, by press, pulpit, by announcement in all unions and many letters written about for at least two weeks previous to the date of holding, will not be the success it should be.

It is not enough to call a newspaper man over the telephone and tell him something of the plans for the convention. Write out every word plainly, give entire program, names of all persons and towns from which they will come and all facts about the program and plans. A concise, neat write-up sent in will be courteously received and used. If the "cuts" of some of the officers who are speakers can be secured, write the name, office and address and send in with the cut and it will be used and greatly help to advertise the convention.

THE MODERN REVOLUTION.

The women of England are making a heroic and dramatic stand for full citizenship and political liberty; one which will doubtless be recorded hereafter as one of the famous revolutions of the world's history. For the many in this country

who are unfamiliar with their methods and principles, as demonstrated in the last four years, the lecture announced below, by one who knows the subject, will be a revelation as to the spirit of womanhood. It conduces to a heightened political ideal, and a higher civic courage:

THE STORY OF THE
ENGLISH SUFFRAGETTE.

Miss Harriet Noble.

A Lecture. Terms, \$5.00 and Expenses. Address
707 E. 20th St., Indianapolis.

STATE SUPERINTENDENTS.

Dear Sisters.—As your secretary, I want to inform you that the program committee has planned for one night of state convention to be given for demonstrations. We will have an important part in this. Shall we not begin now to get ready for it, and not wait until we come up to convention, as we did last year? The awarding of pennants! Last year I carried home with me (as pennant custodian) not less than ten pennants. I advertised them through the Message; by that mean found where four belonged, and sent them. This makes extra expense and work. I hope you will make it very plain, in giving your report, where your pennant belongs, and see that the proper person gets it. I want to call your attention to recommendations on page 29 in annual report of last year, especially Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5. As there will be no advanced sheets printed, we will have a longer time to get our reports ready for the state secretary. I am sure she will be glad to receive them just before the convention.

Hoping to meet you at our annual gathering, I am yours truly,—Gertrude Fulton, Secy Board of Superintendents.

MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

A word to the superintendent of Mothers' Meetings: Dear co-workers, I have just sent an extra supply of blanks to every superintendent whose name is in the directory. Will you please fill them out and return the result of your co-work to me by Sept. 15? Don't disappoint me. The honor of the state in our department depends on you and your promptness. I know your loyal hearts, and my heart beats in unison with yours for the uplift of humanity and the death of the enemy of the home, the legalized liquor traffic. "Be not weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not." Yours in His name,—Mrs. S. M. Stahl.

MEDICAL TEMPERANCE.

Dear Sisters.—I hope you have each had a good porch meeting during this month, at which time you have discussed "The Soft Drink" question. We must keep ourselves well informed upon these questions, then do our best to inform others. We are a band of agitators, and "we'll agitate, agitate. Keep the ball rolling. Agitate, stir 'em up. Keep the ball a-rolling." I hope each union has supplied her physician with the new leaflet "Alcohol, a Food; Theory in the Light of Recent Researches," by Prof. W. S. Hall, of Northwestern University. These you secure from Mrs. M. M. Allen, Marcellus, N. Y., 40 cents per 100. The St. Louis W. C. T. U. has surely accomplished a far-reaching amount of good. At the recent American Medical Association at St. Louis, they presented to each physician possible a letter containing some medical temperance literature, reaching about 2,500 physicians. We might take up a work like that, dear sisters, at our state and district medical meetings next year. Let us think about it, and perhaps it could be arranged. The great problem in all these plans seems to be the money, but I believe that money spent in winning the physicians over to our cause would be "casting our bread upon the waters." May God bless you in all your efforts to spread the gospel of medical temperance.—Mrs. G. E. Denny, State Supt.

EIGHT GREAT REFORMS URGED BY TEMPERANCE WORKERS AT GLASGOW.

Prohibition of the manufacture and sale of alcoholic liquors for beverage purposes.

Enfranchisement of the women of all nations.

Establishment of courts of international and national arbitration.

Active opposition to all forms of state or authorities' regulation of vice.

An equal standard of morality for men and women.

The name white slave traffic to be changed to woman slave traffic, so as to include women of colored races.

Food reform as a help for the cure and prevention of inebriety.

The protection of native races against the destructive traffic of alcoholic intoxicants and opium.

WORK AMONG COLORED PEOPLE.

Dear Co-Workers.—I write, believing that it will be of interest to you to know that I have been out in the state on a six-weeks' tour, organizing and otherwise stirring up the women of my race to a sense of duty, as it concerns the cause "for God, Home and every Land." June the 21st I organized a W. C. T. U. at Vincennes with Mrs. Carrie Anthony as president. Address corner 14th and Hackman streets. Dear Mrs. Fields was at the meeting encouraging and helping in her inimitable way. June 7 found me in Terre Haute making great efforts to wage war against the demon rum. Succeeded in organizing a W. C. T. U., with Mrs. Dr. Bethea as president. Address 1206 South

13th street, Terre Haute.

From that city I went to Evansville. My! My! but the conditions are bad down there among all people. The liquor traffic seems to have many in its octopus-like clutches. While there I lectured, visited to some extent, secured several pledges. But found only four ladies ready to enter into an organization. Some time in the near future I am to return to them, spend much time in doing house-to-house visiting, and in that way secure the desired women, who will compose a mighty host in that awful city to pull down the strongholds of sin. Through Christ it can be done. From there I went to Mt. Vernon, and on July 11 organized a fine W. C. T. U. with Mrs. Grace Wesley as president. Address, 530 Pearl street, Mt. Vernon.

Returning northward, I stopped at Princeton. Held a meeting with the dear women of my race that compose the W. C. T. U. I organized them last November. I expect much of that union ere the year closes. July 17 I organized another fine W. C. T. U. at Washington, with Mrs. N. J. Hawkins as president. Address P. O. box 341, Washington, Ind. This union informed me that they would make efforts to secure, at the state convention, the pennant now in the hands of the McColl W. C. T. U.

From that point I touched at Crawfordsville, where I will organize (D. V.) before convention; also at Rockville.

July 23 found me at Lafayette. While there I did much to encourage the union I organized last November. I have reason to believe that this union will also come to the front ere our state convention.

The McColl union (colored) of this city hopes to stand second to none other W. C. T. U. (colored) at our convention at Fort Wayne.

Thus far during this year six W. C. T. Unions have been added to the eleven (colored) unions organized by your servant last year. Other cities will be visited ere state convention, and such work done as will promote the cause we love. —Yours in His name.—M. A. McCurdy, State Organizer W. C. T. U. Work Among Colored People, 225 South Tenth Street, Richmond, Ind., Aug. 7, 1910.

LETTER FROM NATIONAL L. T. L. SECRETARY, MAKING GOOD.

In the good old days of which grandmother tells us, there were not so many games, nor so many sports, but each had a part in the world's work, even the smallest child in the family having a task assigned him. The out-doors might call ever so loudly, sunshine and sky might lure to play, but "Have you finished your stint?" was the question to be answered ere play was indulged in. This was simply "making good." For three years the Loyal Temperance Legion has set its own stint—50,000 Crusader Monthly subscribers, 30,000 dues-paying L. T. L. members and 2,000 graduates. So excellent have these plans appeared that they have been enthusiastically ratified by three successive national L. T. L. conferences. Now every Legioner is asked to "make good." Shall we not

Finish Our Stint

by November first, and round out the first decade of the twentieth century by completing the task to which we have set ourselves? Accomplishment is possible or I would not ask it. Miss Willard has told us how her mother, blessed Saint Courageous, used to encourage the flagging zeal of her daughter with the epigram, "It's dogged as does it." That is all we need—doggedness, persistence from now on until November.

Can we secure those Crusader Monthly subscriptions? Yes, and come to Baltimore with the 50,000 so long promised. How? By a House-to-House Canvass for the Crusader Monthly. Will you help us "make good" by starting such a canvass in your Legion? That special Crusader Monthly club rate of Five for a dollar from August 1 to October 15 makes it an easy task. There is not a community in the United States in which ten subscribers cannot be gained by the Five for a Dollar plan, and there is not a Legion anywhere so weak that it need fail, but now is the time to begin.

When the Loyal Temperance Legion is a quarter of a million strong, ought we not to have 30,000 dues-paying L. T. L. members? Why we accomplished two-thirds of that stint in 1909, when dues were paid for over 20,000 Legioners. We can get the remaining third before the different state W. C. T. U. treasurer's books close if we try. One dues-paying member in eight will do it, and every dues-paying Legioner furnishes the music and helps on the chorus of dimes. Eight form an octave. To keep the music going we need

L. T. L. Octaves.

Thirty-seven hundred and fifty L. T. L. octaves or sets of Legioners, eight dues-paying Legioners in each group will keep the dimes chiming and give us the long desired 30,000 dues-paying L. T. L. members. How many octaves will your Legion furnish? Will you try the plan in your Legion? If your L. T. L. has never paid dues before, start the music and furnish an L. T. L. octave. Remember that eight dues-paying members in your Legion will count.

Dear Local Secretary, have you signed for a graduating class from your Legion? Do you know that if

Every L. T. L. Leader Would Complete the Study of the manuals she teaches, passing a satisfactory examination, we would have our 2,000 graduates? And each L. T. L. leader ought to set herself to that stint. Fancy a public school teacher who had

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never completed the study of common arithmetic teaching a class in mathematics! Yet that is what many L. T. L. leaders are doing when a few days' study would master the truths to be taught from our temperance manuals. I am asking every local L. T. L. secretary to "make good" by completing our L. T. L. course of study for diploma by November first. If you have not already done so, dear leader, will you not "finish your stint" by becoming one of our 1910 L. T. L. graduates? I am assured that if you do this and announce your intention in your Legion, some Legioner will enlist to study with you, and thus more than 2,000 graduates will be assured.

If you believe that the Loyal Temperance Legion should "make good," will you not work with us that we may "finish our stint" and enter upon 1911 with enlarged plans?—Margaret Wintringer.

CURRENT NEWS.

Brewer Pabst signed a petition to prohibit saloons from the street on which he lives in Milwaukee!!

A new fashion has been set by the mayor of Des Moines, who refused to deliver an address of welcome to the Iowa Retail Liquor Dealers' association at their recent convention.

The W. C. T. U. of Worcester, Mass., has persuaded the company in charge of street car advertising in that city to remove all liquor advertisements from the cars.

Denver, Colorado, has an organization known as the Church Federation Against the Saloon. Just what every city in "wet" territory needs.

Rock Creek, Tenn., saloon, once a famous rendezvous in Union county, Tennessee, has been dedicated as a Presbyterian church. The dedication exercises were attended by many men who formerly patronized the saloon bar.

Prohibition was indorsed by the state convention of the Christian church of Missouri last week. The adoption of the initiative amendment to the state constitution for state-wide prohibition was urged. There was not a dissenting vote.

No wine or liquor of any kind will be served at the annual banquet of the National Association of Live Stock Exchanges, to be held in East St. Louis, Ill., in September. This decision was reached in a recent meeting of the East St. Louis exchange, by a unanimous vote. About 350 delegates are expected.

A new law in Michigan makes it illegal to sell liquor to any student in any school in the state, of whatever age, and also forbids bartenders to permit any student in attendance at any public or private institution of learning in the state, or a minor, to play at cards, dice, billiards or any game of chance in any part of any building in which spirituous liquors or intoxicating drinks are sold.

Kansas City, Kan., is the largest city in the world without a saloon, a gambling den or a disorderly house. The business of the Home City Bank has increased 46 per cent. as the result of the wiping out of the saloons, and the business of the City Savings Bank has increased 50 per cent. Three times as many workmen bought homes in the one year after rum was outlawed as in any of the years during saloon rule.

State Superintendent of Schools E. T. Fairchild of Kansas says: "Our statutes require the teaching of physiology in our schools, with emphasis to be laid upon the effects of alcohol and narcotics. That such instruction has borne fruit in formulating public sentiment in favor of prohibition and in instilling correct notions of the evils of intemperance I have no doubt. * * * Of the more than 500,000 boys and girls in Kansas, only the smallest fraction has ever seen an open saloon. Children are growing to manhood and womanhood without the temptations of the saloon, and are arriving at the point of fixed habits with no experiences and temptations relative to liquor such as present themselves to the young people of other than prohibition states."

Field News

DR. MARTHA E. KELLER, of Indianapolis, vice president of Marion county, is doing good work for the W. C. T. U. by editing a column of W. C. T. U. notes for the Saturday issue of the Indianapolis Sun. Marion county women should all read this paper.

INDIANAPOLIS MERIDIAN union held an all-day picnic at Riverside park. An interesting program and well-filled baskets added greatly to the enjoyment of the day.

BRIGHTWOOD (INDIANAPOLIS) W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. F. L. Drake. The subject of "Franchise" was discussed by the local superintendent, Mrs. Mae Cometz and Dr. Amelia Keller, president of the local Equal Suffrage Association. Mrs. Susan Miller, county superintendent of railroad work, also gave an interesting talk.

INDIANAPOLIS MOTHERS' DAY W. C. T. U. is actively interested in the work of the West Side W. C. T. U. mission and Sunday school and has its headquarters at the mission building, 1425 West Market street.

INDIANAPOLIS NORTH EAST UNION held a porch meeting with Mrs. Mary Manifold. "Slaughter of the Innocents" was the subject discussed.

THE INDIANAPOLIS SOUTH SIDE UNION met on the afternoon of April 5 at the home of Mrs. J. V. Bloom, 1506 Pleasant street. The attendance was large and the meeting throughout enthusiastic and interesting. Mrs. Miller Camden, of New

Jersey, who has been visiting her daughter in this vicinity for the past three months, during which time she has given valuable aid to this new union, presided. Mrs. Miller informed those present that she was soon to return to her home. A rising vote of thanks was given to her for her good services. Reports were given by the officers of various departments of the society, and these, together with the treasurer's report showing a balance on hand, indicate the successful work being accomplished. In the regular order of the day Rev. J. V. Bloom outlined the subject of "Great Mothers of the Nineteenth Century." Among other things, he impressed upon those present the importance of the place held by those who might be called "Empress of the Home."

"If sometimes woman feels that home life and duties are hum-drum and commonplace, let her remind herself that so perhaps did the mothers of our Lincolns, Beechers, St. Gaudens and the host of those who are considered great mothers today.

"But commonplace as their lives seemed to them, they were rearing movements that will perpetuate their memory as long as gratitude pulsates in human hearts. Every mother may be building better than she knows.

"There are plenty of great careers open to women, but the best of them all is the old, sweet one of just being a woman, a tender, compassionate, Christian woman. This is what all the great mothers of all centuries have been."—Mrs. Hoover.

LA PORTE.—This union on August 10 had a house cleaning and right in the midst of it added a new member to their membership list. Work ceased for a bit and handshaking was in order.

SEYMOUR W. C. T. U. held a contest for a silver medal, in the M. E. church Aug. 4, which was a decided success. Every member of the class did unusually well. "A Drunkard's Blow," by Miss Harriette McAllister, won the medal. Miss Amyra Huckelberry sang a beautiful solo, and Mrs. Earl Cox delighted the audience with two recitations while waiting for the decision of the judges. Mrs. Ben Schneck, Ed Remey, Seba S. Barnsby kindly acted as judges. Rev. Huckelberry, Baptist minister, presented the medal.—L. C. Van Horn.

Van Buren.—The Van Buren W. C. T. U. had a very interesting meeting July 20, with Mrs. E. R. Kribs in a little country town about four miles away called Dillman. Mrs. Kribs is one of our most devoted members, and we were well entertained. Our program was very good. Our president, Mrs. Dimit, was in charge. The subject for the afternoon was "Christian Citizenship," which was interestingly discussed by the members. An enjoyable feature was a beautiful little song by Mrs. Kribs' two little girls, Lucile and Lovell, entitled "Little Sunbeams. It seems that the children are interested in this work, and that is just what we want—all the boys and girls help us put every saloon out of business. They can help. Our union is growing in strength as well as in numbers.—Mrs. L. F. Mathis, Press Supt.

MUNCIE—NORMAL CITY UNION.—On Friday evening, Aug 5, in the Normal City M. E. church, Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, our state president, gave a very interesting address to the women and girls of our city. A large and appreciative audience was in attendance. Miss Maida Alley sang the beautiful solo, "Thy Will Be Done."—Mrs. Herbert Wallace, Press Supt.

FORT WAYNE.—Fort Wayne Flower Mission work for the month of June is inspiring and interesting. There are ten on the Frances Willard Union Flower Mission committee. Each member has her territory assigned for the year's work. For June 9 the committee was arranged in four groups as far separated as advisable and other members of the union invited to assist, especially those who had conveyances.

A handsome bouquet was given to each of the thirty-five ministers, to the editors and police officers. The desire was to give one to each teacher of the grammar schools and high school, but as the hospitals, sick and "shut-ins" were visited first, there were not quite enough bouquets to go around. To every bouquet was attached a text card tied with white ribbon stamped with the Frances Willard union stamp. With each bouquet was sent a Flower Mission leaflet, explaining the origin and extension of the beautiful work. These leaflets were doubtless read by all the recipients. The teachers were requested to read the short leaflet to the pupils. In nearly every instance this was done. Mothers said that the children came home with more knowledge of the W. C. T. U. work and concerning the Flower Mission work than some of them, as W. C. T. U. members, had known.

Thus disseminating knowledge of the work must be beneficial. Editors and ministers are usually keen to read about and understand what is being done. Sending condensed information with flowers reaches many.

DR. VERNE BALDWIN, of Greentown, has delivered his excellent lecture on "Health and Heredity" at Jonesboro, Fairmount, North Marion, Oak Chapel, Oak Ridge and South Marion. These unions count themselves very fortunate in being able to secure such an able and convincing speaker on this important subject.

MRS. CULLA J. VAYHINGER gave a suffrage address before an open-air meeting near Marion on a Sunday afternoon recently. The speaker was at her best in producing unanswerable argument for her cause. The objection that is often raised to equal suffrage—that women cannot bear arms—

was answered by the speaker in a quotation from Lady Henry Somerset: "Women bear soldiers; what need have they to bear arms?"

The Gas City W. C. T. U. quartet furnished excellent music.

THE DEER CREEK union, in the country, has a membership of 50 women and 8 honoraries. This union has the distinction of having had its president, Mrs. Gulie E. Shugart, and its treasurer, Mrs. Susannah Ratliff, for nineteen consecutive years. In that time Mrs. Shugart has missed less than a half-dozen meetings. Her beautiful Christian influence, which is always felt the moment she enters the room, is largely responsible for the growth of this union. Mrs. Ratliff conducts the finances of the union in a business-like manner. Her husband says she has worn out three buggies in collecting dues. When a woman becomes delinquent she may expect a visit from the treasurer although she live ten miles away. Mrs. Ratliff's enthusiasm in keeping up the business side of the union is also largely responsible for the union's prosperity.—Sarah E. Thomas, Co. Press Supt.

ARBA.—The W. C. T. U. held an interesting meeting recently. After a short study of parliamentary law, the subject of woman's enfranchisement was ably presented. Miss Bertha Bowen read a paper on "Woman's Battle" and Miss Dolie Jordan read a paper on "The Ballot for Women vs. The Drink Traffic," followed by general discussion. Mrs. Jane Moore, the newly elected superintendent of the Flower mission department, spoke interestingly of the work and her desires concerning its advancement.

After a short talk by Rev. Coppoe, "Let your Banner Fly" was sung in closing, led by Ruby Brown.

PLAINFIELD.—Our July W. C. T. U. meeting was especially interesting, as more members were in attendance than usual, two workers being present who had not been permitted to meet with us for many months. We also had a visitor from Carmel W. C. T. U., who gave use words of cheer and encouragement. Two of the papers prepared for the meeting were read and discussed, opening our eyes to facts hitherto unknown. A resident physician kindly met with us and gave us an interesting paper and talk on the subjects before the meeting. Ten members of our White Ribbon Glee club, composed of twenty little girls, were present to sing their temperance songs for us, with guitar accompaniment by their leader, adding much to the pleasure of the meeting. Each new member of the club has the privilege of selecting two other members, so they are continually increasing their membership. We are contemplating a contest in the near future.—Mrs. Cora Milhous, Pres. W. C. T. U.

MATHEWS.—The W. C. T. U. was entertained at the home of Mrs. Garretson. The reports from different superintendents were good. An original paper on "Social Purity" was read by Cora Osburn, which was very interesting and showed much thought in its composition. The following leaflets were read: "Substitute for Alcohol in Medicine," Margaret Trissel; "Why I Never Tasted Liquor," Florence Bartlett; "reading," "Farmer Dean's Conversion," Christina Davis, and "A Brave Boy," Charley Shaw. The union will hold an all-day meeting at the home of Lena Shaw in September.—Allie Garretson, Press Supt.

BENTON COUNTY.—The Oxford union made the annual visit to the county farm July 1. Although the day was extremely warm, about 50 of the members were in attendance.

We left home about 10 o'clock and after a delightful drive we reached our destination before noon.

We were cordially welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. Everman, who received us on the front lawn. After a rest in the cool shade we spread our lunch on the grass and all enjoyed the social hour together. After dinner we were shown through the building, which is pleasant and commodious and has all the necessary conveniences for the comfort of the inmates, everywhere showing the care and thoughtfulness of the manager.

One of the things of which Benton county should be proud is that at present there are but thirteen in the home, and a part of these could not be cared for in their own homes.

After a short program, bouquets tied with white ribbon with a scripture verse attached, and bananas and oranges were left with the inmates.

We came away late in the afternoon, thankful that our county has provided such a home for the unfortunate or needy.

INDIANAPOLIS.—The South Side W. C. T. U. held their August 2 meeting at Beech Grove and were delightfully entertained as a porch party by Mrs. Edwin Bailey. About twenty of our ladies enjoyed a novel ride in an old-fashioned hack or carry-all that makes regular trips between Prospect street and the grove. Quite a number of ladies from the neighborhood were present as visitors. After the opening exercises of songs and prayers we listened to an address by Dr. Martha Keller, who talked to us in her own charming manner, especially to mothers, about the training of young children, also telling us of much charitable work being done in our city by other unions. Then our officers proceeded to organize a union among the Beech Grove ladies, after which all joined heartily in singing our White Ribbon song. Then our hostess and her helpers appeared with dainty, cooling refreshments and a social half hour was well spent. We are glad to report that our South side organization is just a year old. We

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started last July with 20 names and now have 44 enrolled. We have held successful and interesting meetings every month. A few deserve especial mention that have not been promptly reported. In April a meeting at the home of Rev. J. V. Bloom on Pleasant street; on Flower Mission day we met at Faith home on College avenue, and distributed many flowers and text cards to the inmates; last month we picnicked at Brookside park and held our regular meeting in the pavilion there with 22 members and several visitors present. Our latest and most interesting work is securing the names of the patrons in this vicinity who will protest against the grocers opening their stores and selling their goods on Sabbath morning. We are also closely watching a few notorious saloons that have been discovered selling beer to children. —Mrs. W. H. Hoover, Reporter.

GRAND GOLD MEDAL CONTEST.—The Montpelier union held an excellent contest for a grand gold medal. Mrs. Sam Wearly won the medal. The program consisted of musical selections and short readings between the speeches of the contestants. The musicians were Misses Bertha Miller, Lena Shannon, Ruby Riter and Dorothy Artain. The readers were Lester Henry, Guernsey Merri-man and Romalie Henry. The contestants were Mesdames Wearly, Henderson, Ritter, Shull and Ittel.—Mrs. Chas. S. Miller.

FAIRMOUNT.—Local W. C. T. U. held their annual rally at the Wesleyan camp grounds on 4th of July. The weather was ideal, the audience large and attentive, the speaking unusually good and the music excellent. The local president, Mr. Ed Hollingsworth, presided over the sessions, assisted by the county president, Mrs. Gullie Shugart, Miss Mattie Cammack Gibson, Eunice Wilson and Mrs. Daisy Barr. Dr. Verne Baldwin, of Greentown, delivered one of the best addresses in the morning ever heard in Fairmount on the line of temperance. His earnestness in expressing the interest he had in the cause and his love for humanity was much appreciated. He asked no compensation. The speaker of the afternoon was Clifford G. Roe, of Chicago, a man who is making a name for himself in his fight against evil. His subject was "The Conservation of the American Home." He made a plea for the sanctity of the home and the protection of the boys and girls. Mr. Roe was at one time assistant state's attorney of Chicago. He has made a special fight against the white slave traffic and knows weherof he speaks. Five new members were added to local union and some to other unions.

A WABASH newspaper publishes the following statement: "January 1, 1909, with 19 saloons doing business in Wabash the total deposits in the banks were \$1,851,555.70.

On January 1, 1910, without a saloon and two months after the last saloon closed its doors, which was November 3, 1909, the bank deposits amounted to \$2,111,377.99. For the six months from January 1 to July 1, 1909, with saloons, the total arrests in Wabash city for all causes were 126. In Wabash city for the same months of 1910, without saloons, the arrests were 68. For intoxications the number of arrests in the city of Wabash from January 1 to July 1, 1909, with saloons, was found to be 103. For the same months of 1910, without saloons, the number was 29, about one-fourth as many."

GOSHEN.—The Goshen W. C. T. U. was entertained by Mrs. J. D. Myers, 606 N. Main street. A titthing and systematic giving program in charge of Mrs. F. M. Hamman, was much enjoyed. It was as follows: After singing "Some Glad Day" the leader read the third chapter of Malachia, and there was prayer. Mrs. Bechtel gave a eulogy on the life of Frances Willard. Mrs. Cunningham spoke briefly on the W. C. T. U. work and was followed by a reading, "The Reason Why," by Gladys Cline. A class of boys sang "The Manly Boy Brigade." Tithe and systematic giving was the subject of a talk by Rev. G. W. Rench.

There were interesting readings by Miss Grace Smith, Miss Lottie Coulter, Mrs. B. F. Hammond and Mrs. F. M. Hamman. There were musical selections interspersed. A song by a quartette, a violin solo by Romaine Hess, a vocal solo by Virginia Cantwell and a piano solo by Miss Ester Cline. A splendid program was closed by all singing "Blest Be the Tie." The presence of Mrs. Wertz, the county president, was appreciated.

SHERIDAN.—Nineteen barrels of various kinds of beer were found as the result of a raid here late Saturday even when the temperance forces aroused by the continuous and flagrant violations of the liquor laws, made a search of the restaurants of Harry Calvest and William Franklin. Not that the alleged booze was found in their places. It was only resting serenely in a box car, where it had been taken a short time before the raid was made.

The search was made about 4:30 Saturday evening when Deputy Sheriff White and a deputy, accompanied by Marshal Baldwin, entered these places armed with the proper papers.

Prosecutor Gentry issued warrants Monday for the arrest of Calvert and Franklin. The search was made upon affidavits sworn to by ladies of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, which has labored faithfully in the cause. Rev. Brightmire was a leading spirit in the proceedings and took charge of the affair in a business-like manner. He had satisfied himself some time ago that there was too much drunkenness in Sheridan and had called attention to it to the church board and W. C. T. U. ladies.

ARBA.—The Arba W. C. T. U. held her regular July meeting at the home of Misses Dallie and

Lizzie Jarden. Sixteen members answered the roll call while a goodly number of invited guests enjoyed the splendid program. Mrs. Gertrude Fulton, of Portland, was present and after the regular program was carried out she gave a splendid address on her line of the work—Christian citizenship, which was very much appreciated by all.

In the evening, at 8 o'clock, Mrs. Fulton gave another good address in the Friends church, taking for her subject the W. C. T. U., and explaining the work of its different departments.

Miss Woodgie Elliot recited a poem, "The Comet," written by Ellen Hartley, of Fountain City. The meeting was very enjoyable to all present.—Miss Bertha Bowen, Press Supt. Fourth page, about the middle.

Local superintendents, please carefully count up all the work done by yourself and others in your department and report promptly.

THE STATE CONFERENCE OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTIONS will be held at Marion Sept. 10-13.

Every one who is interested in the social welfare of the people of the state is invited to attend the conference.

The conference opens Saturday evening, Sept. 10, with a general session. On Sunday, visiting members will speak in the churches.

On Monday, Sept. 11, the subjects presented in the morning will be, state charities, county institutions, needy families and dependent children.

In the afternoon, county and township charities will be discussed. Mrs. Crane, of Kalamazoo, Mich., will speak on county poor asylums and deliver an address.

State charities will be the subject of a stereopticon lecture in the evening by Miss Mary T. Wilson, of Indianapolis. Tuesday will have a full, interesting program.

County superintendents, please be faithful to send in all reports on time.

Collect dues! Presidents, secure the cooperation of your membership in the collecting of dues. Sometimes treasurers need assistance.

LETTER FROM MRS. M. L. HOBBS, for many years Dubois County W. C. T. U. president, 5311 Figueroe street, Los Angeles, Cal.

Dear White Ribboners of Indiana.—I have just read the August number of the Message, and felt that I was bound to send you a few words. I enjoyed reading the reports of the unions and counties, but felt so sad to think there was none from my home county, Dubois. In days past we always did some work, in fact did all we could. But some of our members have passed on and some have moved away and are still in the work, and only a few are left that are getting old and feeble, but they are true, pay their dues and wear the badge. I have been in bad health for several years. The last convention I attended was at Brazil, and I was not able to attend all the meetings. Upon arrival at home I was ill and the doctor was called in. I recuperated a little and came to California, spent six months, then went home sick again, and have never been well since. My husband passed on and I was left all alone. My friends prevailed on me to come to California again, so last October I came back. My health did not improve and again I was very sick all winter, but now I am improving some, and when I read the Phalanx and the Message I feel like I would love to be at home to help in the fight for prohibition. I certainly could help in getting subscribers for the Union Signal and Phalanx. I notice the prize offer. I certainly would try for that prize if I were there, not that I cared so much for the ten dollars, but for the honor and for the good it would do. Perhaps some of the readers remember a few years since when a prize of \$5 was offered to the one that answered best a certain number of questions in a certain number of the Signal. I thought I certainly could do it at least as good as some, but if you remember, I gained the first prize. Of course, I felt proud of that, but if I were at home I sure would do my best for a large club. I would not do without it if it were five times what it is. I sent my renewal last December and told them to credit it to Mrs. McWhirter, for I do love her so dearly. O how I do want to see you all! How I would enjoy being at the state convention, but the last one I was at had so many new faces and I missed so many of the old ones that it made me feel bad. I think if the good lord spares me I will go home next spring if not before. What I do dislike back there is the cold winter. Here we scarcely realize when it is winter.

I attended the California state convention last spring. Of course I did not enjoy it like our own. Almost all were strangers. Neither do I think that they have any smarter women than we have. I have met Mrs. Griffith, their state president. She is a sweet, intelligent and earnest woman, but not one whit more so than our own present president and ex-presidents.

INDIANAPOLIS GRAY union has just added the names of Lionel Edward De Loss Byfield Charles Howard Byfield to the cradle roll as members.

INDIANAPOLIS CENTRAL union elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. W. U. Norris, 719 King avenue; vice presidents, Mrs. E. G. Ritchie, 2535 Parke avenue; Mrs. Frances G. Boyer, 2058 Ruckle street; corresponding secretary, Mrs. A. U. Bonham, Malott Park, R. F. D. No. 12; recording secretary, Mrs. Wilbur W. Gard, 2025 Ashland avenue; treasurers, Miss Carrie Styer, 1511 Park avenue, Mrs. George T. Breunig, 1219 Park avenue.

MARION COUNTY W. C. T. U. CONVENTION will be held at the Hall Place Methodist church, near corner of Illinois and Sixteenth streets, Indianapolis, on Sept. 20-21.

On the afternoon of the first day Judge George W. Stubbs, of the juvenile court, will deliver an address on "Child Conservation." In the evening there will be a gold medal contest. Rev. McKee, pastor of the North Park Christian church, will speak on "Legal Status of Woman in Indiana." A good program is prepared and every union is expected to send its full quota of delegates who will attend the entire convention. Invite friends and neighbors. Remember the dates. All W. C. T. U. members and their friends are cordially invited.

FLOWER MISSION DAY was appropriately observed by the Crown Point union at the home of Mrs. Cora Knight. About 200 bouquets were made and sent to the inmates of the county farm and the shut-ins of our town. At noon the ladies partook of an elaborate picnic dinner, and the afternoon was given over to a Flower Mission service.

ARBA.—Union met at 2:45 and was opened by singing a song entitled "On the Victory Side." Scripture read by the president, Dollie Jorden. Prayer by Jessie Hill. Ten minutes' study of parliamentary law, conducted by the president. First on program was a paper, "The Woman's Battle," by Bertha Bowen. Next was a paper, "The Ballot for Women vs. The Drink Traffic," by Dollie Jorden. Good discussion followed. Mrs. Jane Moore having been elected as Flower Mission superintendent, gave a splendid talk and read a short paper expressing her love for the work and her appreciation to the union for having been elected superintendent of this pleasant work. May God's richest blessings rest upon her as she goes forth to bless others, carrying the beautiful flowers, God's messages of love, to his sick, sorrowing and lonely children. Next was an encouraging talk by Brother Coppoe. Song, "Let Your Banner Fly," led by Ruby Brown. Closed by prayer by Allie Bowen. —Bertha Bowen, Press Supt.

GRANT COUNTY.

The edict has gone forth from county headquarters that Grant must register the names of 200 new members before the state convention. North Marion and Deer Creek unions are engaged in spirited membership contests and other unions in the county are making special efforts to increase their numbers.

White ribboners of Grant county were aroused to indignation by a recent announcement in the Marion papers that the Johnson-Jeffries prize fight would be reproduced by moving pictures at Goldthwaite park on the following Sunday. The Marion Central union started an agitation that caused the county sheriff to forbid the exhibition under penalty of arrest. The women had only a few hours in which to work, but there was a whirring of telephone messages and a hastily written protest, signed by prominent W. C. T. U. women and the pastors of the city, which brought the desired result.

MR. THOMAS B. ARTMAN, a college student of exceptional character and ability, the only child of Judge and Mrs. Samuel R. Artman of Indianapolis, died at their home on August 13 of typhoid fever. He was aged twenty years.

He was a graduate of the Lebanon High School and would have graduated from Wabash College with the present Senior Class of which he was President-elect.

In college he was a leader in music circles and had a voice of rare quality. Since childhood he had sung in church choirs.

After a short funeral service at the home he was taken to Lebanon, the former family home, for burial. There the funeral service was held in the M. E. Church where many friends from Indianapolis, Crawfordsville and elsewhere were present. After an impressive service by the Sigma Chi fraternity brothers, Dr. Tillotson, of LaFayette, a former pastor spoke with great earnestness of this ambitious, exemplary young man whose sympathy and interest were great in the reform in which his noted father and zealous mother have been so prominently identified.

The White Ribbon host of Indiana sympathize with the parents in this great bereavement.

Our Promoted Comrades

La Fayette Francis E. Willard Union mourns the loss of one of the oldest and most honored members, **MRS. MARY JANE ROBERTSON**, her bright eyes and sunny smile are greatly missed.

La Fayette Francis Willard also mourns the death of a dearly loved comrade, **MRS. JOHN SAYLOR**. She was a brave and patient sufferer. These have gone on to their heavenly home.

The Union of Sheridan has sustained a loss in the death of **ROSSELLA GOODNIGHT**, who departed this life July 1, 1910. She was one of our most ardent faithful workers but loss is her gain.

Signed
Mayed Redington
County Pres. Supt.

The Hebron W. C. T. U. suffers a great loss in the death of their President, **MRS. ELIZABETH RICE**, on March 28, 1910, at about 58 years of age. She was a charter member of the Hebron Union, always deeply interested in the work, she kept well informed and was a very willing, capable and efficient worker in the cause of Temperance. She was a good wife and mother and will be greatly missed by the husband and grown up son and daughters. The entire community mourn with the family. But our loss is her gain.

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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AT STATE CONVENTION, TUESDAY, WILL BE RALLY DAY FOR NORTHERN INDIANA WHITE RIBBONERS AND THEIR HUSBANDS AND FRIENDS.

ON TO FT. WAYNE! Every State Officer, Branch Secretary, State Superintendent, County President, Local President and elected delegates have all names sent to Mrs. Bloom at once if entertainment is desired!! Plan to arrive in Ft. Wayne in time for the Friday forenoon meeting!!! The Ft. Wayne convention will be a great convention every union should send a full quota of delegates.

Visiting delegates can make arrangements for reasonable hotel and boarding rates by applying to Mrs. Joel Welty, 730 Columbia Ave., Ft. Wayne. Invite husbands, sons and daughters and friends to attend the convention if not all of the time to spend Saturday afternoon and Sunday at the convention.

Hon. Clinton Howard is the Sunday afternoon speaker. He will make a great speech.

By attending the convention you will get a spiritual uplift, an inspiration for nobler, better service—Go!

TO DELEGATES. Go to Ft. Wayne praying as never before for a state convention.

All year the unions have worked with this Harvest Home gathering in mind. What a keen sense of interest many members and delegates feel in anticipation of this convention.

Those of us who can attend will enjoy meeting our fellow workers, looking into the faces of those with whom we have been co-laborers, many of whom we would never have known except for the W. C. T. U. conventions. They inspire us with love for our common cause and enthusiasm for renewed activity."

It will be good to be there. To see the dear familiar faces, to hear their voices and to feel the inspiration that will surely come to us. Let no member who can attend fail to do so. The presence and prayers of every one will add to the success of the convention.

POINTERS FOR DELEGATES: Pray much! Be on time. Use Note Book!

Keep supply of well sharpened pencils. Keep smiling. Keep sweet. Be loving, not critical.

When a sister does well, tell her so.

When one of your county women has a duty to perform, encourage her and pray for her.

Try to win members for the Ft. Wayne unions.

Seek to win friends for our cause in the home where you are entertained—not by argument, never, but by eliciting interest in the purpose and plans and work of the great organization.

Invite everybody you meet while in Ft. Wayne to attend the convention. Do this in the homes, on the streets, in the business places and wherever possible. If four hundred delegates will keep inviting persons for four days to attend our convention there will be results.

Women who are active at home can not sit for five days consecutively in a convention and feel well unless they take exercise. Walk a mile in the morning, a mile at noon and a mile in the afternoon. When walking, much oxygen is taken into the lungs and the entire body is thereby exhilarated.

Drink not less than six glasses of water a day. At night go to your room as early as possible and do not talk. You need time for a "quiet hour" before God and your roommate does, too.

Don't talk in your room at night. If for any reason you can not sleep, relax and rest.

Immediately upon her return home from the convention every delegate should write a note of appreciation to her hostess—the same as she would do if she had been an invited guest. It is the little courtesies of life that indicate the culture of the individual.

DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION.

All officers and delegates are urged to send their names at once to Mrs. N. W. Bloom, 1125 Columbia Ave., Ft. Wayne, chairman of the entertainment committee, so that they can receive their cards of entertainment before they leave their homes.

Cards of entertainment will enable the delegates to go direct from the depots to their places of entertainment with their baggage. Promptness in this matter will be a convenience to delegates and to the entertainment committee.

CHAIRMEN OF THE LOCAL COMMITTEE AT FORT WAYNE FOR THE STATE WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION CONVENTION.

General Chairman—Mrs. Martha Willard Ride-nour, 1117 Lafayette St.

Entertainment—Mrs. N. W. Bloom, 1125 Columbia Ave.

Lunch and Hotels—Mrs. Joel Welty, 730 Columbia Ave.

Pulpit Supplies—Mrs. J. W. Burns, 135 Sutt-enfield St.

Music—Mrs. G. W. Pixley, 330 W. Wayne St.

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FOR OLD COPIES OF THE MESSAGE.

Because so very many kind friends responded to my request for back numbers of the Message I desire, through these columns, to express my appreciation to every one who wrote to me.

Especially do I want to thank the dear sisters who wrote me such kind, generous letters. Some sent me papers without names or addresses, so I must in this way express to them my deep appreciation.—Luella F. McWhirter.

FROM MRS. STANLEY'S NOTE BOOK.

Dear Sisters—Another year has gone into history. Our enemy is yet alive. Thus far we have only administered anaesthetics only to hinder him temporarily with no thought of killing him entirely. The people are learning slowly that this method only enrages him and can not save his victim. They will now either move on to Prohibition or get discouraged and call off the battle for any year. If we don't make gains this year it will be because "a wonderful and a horrible thing is committed in the land and my people love to have it .so" I have worked in all sections of the state this year, have been called by the church, the Sunday school, the public, the school teachers, the fraternities, the chautau-quas, the Prohibitionists and the W. C. T. U. and all seem to endorse our platform. How will it be in November? I hope to meet the dear loyal white ribbon army at Ft. Wayne October 14. Women send a delegation from each Union that will shake the throne of iniquity in that rum cursed city. Ft. Wayne must be redeemed. Our women there have held the fort against odds all these years. Let us send our home defenders to their relief—on to Ft. Wayne. Yours for state-wide, nation-wide Prohibition.

ELIZABETH T. STANLEY.

TO STATE SUPERINTENDENTS.

Dear Sisters—It has been decided by the Program Committee to ask one-half of the state superintendents to give their demonstrations this year at the state convention and the other half next year, as the time is so short for a full demonstration. So this is to inform you, who are named in the list of superintendents in the minutes of last year (from one to sixteen, beginning with "Work Among Colored People," and taking to and including "Anti-Narcotics,") to come prepared to give your demonstrations. I am sure if this plan is carried out it will be much better than the plan carried out last year. Hoping this will meet your approval, I am faithfully yours,

GERTRUDE FULTON,

Secretary Board of Superintendents.

OFFICIAL.

The election of officers will take place this year on Saturday morning instead of in the afternoon as heretofore, so that delegates who wish to vote must reach Ft. Wayne in time for the morning session. This change is made because our Saturday afternoon session has always been so long and tedious that every one is about worn out.

Hon. Charles Eckhart of Auburn, has recently presented that beautiful little city with a \$30,000 public library which is one of the most beautiful public buildings in our state. Mr. Eckhart was at one time the Prohibition candidate for Governor of Indiana. He is a member of the Prohibition National Committee. The W. C. T. U. of Indiana has no better true friend than Mr. Eckhart. He and Mrs. Eckhart are greatly interested in the Prohibition college work. For several years they have given the fifty dollar prize for the Indiana Intercollegiate Oratorical Contest. It means much to so wonderfully help in the character building of young people.

Ohio is to have a Constitutional Convention.—Ohio W. C. T. U. will work hard for "Ohio Dry" in 1912. Their slogan is "50,000 members to make Ohio Dry in 1912." They now have more than half that many members.

CALL FOR STATE CONVENTION.

The W. C. T. U. of Indiana is called to meet in convention at Ft. Wayne, Ind., Oct. 14-18, 1910. The Trustees will meet Thursday, Oct. 13, at 11 a. m. The executive committee will meet at 2:30 and 7:30 p. m. of the same day. Every member of the executive committee should be there. Each union is entitled to its president, one delegate at large and one delegate for each twenty paying members.

The convention will open at 9 o'clock on Friday morning. Ft. Wayne is making arrangements to entertain all duly elected delegates for lodging and breakfast. Restaurant service will be ample for dinner and supper and will be reasonable in price. Every day will be full of rich things and every union should send its full quota of delegates. The preliminary report of the credentials committee will be made on Friday afternoon and the election will occur on Saturday morning. Tuesday, Oct. 18, will be North Indiana Day. Many helpful things will be on the program at that time. Mrs. E. L. Calkins, president of Michigan, will be with us all day and give an address in the afternoon. North Indiana unions will have special recognition that day, so we trust large delegations may come in for the forenoon and afternoon programs. Ft. Wayne is centrally located, with excellent railroad and interurban service and the town should get a just conception of the magnitude of our organization and the importance of our cause by the number of white ribbons in evidence on that day. Bring your baskets and have a real profitable day at the convention.

Unions having pennants and banners which they won last year will please see that they are in the hands of the Secretary of Department Board, Mrs. Gertrude Fulton, before Oct. 14. Delegates, bring your local banners with you to use in decoration. Let each county come prepared to tell what you have done this year—your gain in membership and special work. Come prepared to stay through the convention. Bring your vote books, annual minutes, entertainment cards, sweetest disposition and brightest smile.

May our Great Leader help us make this the greatest convention in our history.

Yours for service,
CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

FOR SCHOOL SUFFRAGE

The Woman's School League of Indiana is organized to secure woman's voice on school matters in the state.

Already there are some women serving on school boards in Indiana towns by appointment. There are only two cities in the state where school commissioners are elected. These cities are Indianapolis and Terre Haute. At the last election, through the work and influence of the women of those cities, a woman was elected to each of their school boards. Upon investigation it has been found that in order for women to have a voice in the selection of school boards, as the laws now stand, it would be necessary for them to vote at municipal elections. This resolves itself into the necessity of women seeking municipal suffrage in order to secure the desired influence on school affairs. The Indiana School League will endeavor to enlist the interest and support of every earnest thinking woman in the state in a campaign for municipal suffrage. To secure the passage of such a law by our coming legislature will demand the aggressive active support of thousands of women.

Branch leagues will be formed wherever women are interested.

The women who conducted the campaign which resulted in the election of Miss Mary Nicholson to the Indianapolis school board have held meetings all summer and in September organized the Indiana School League. The officers are Indianapolis women. President, Dr. Amelia R. Keller; vice presidents, Dr. Rebecca R. George, 1205 Broadway; Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter; secretary, Mrs. Winfield Scott Johnson; treasurer, Miss Harriet Noble, 707 E. 20th st.

The membership fee will be 50 cents. The Indianapolis League will meet in the parlor of the Odd Fellows building.

All persons at all interested in this work are invited to call at the headquarters, room 1202 Odd Fellows building, corner Washington and Pennsylvania streets. Information and literature will be supplied gladly.

OCT. 18 EVERY UNION IN NORTHERN INDIANA ON DIRECT LINE TO FT. WAYNE IS URGED TO ATTEND THE STATE CONVENTION ALL DAY TUESDAY.

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STATE SUPERINTENDENTS.

There will be a meeting of the Board of State Superintendents Friday afternoon immediately at the close of the afternoon session of the convention; also another meeting on Monday at 1 o'clock to elect officers for the coming year. We would request that as far as possible every state superintendent be present at these meetings. Cordially yours,

MRS. KATHRYN WERT HOLLER,
Pres. Board State Superintendents.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

I would like to meet all superintendents of Sabbath Observance, both county and local, at our state convention on Friday, October 14th, at noon, we will meet immediately at the close of the morning session (place of meeting to be announced from the platform).

I have some plans and suggestions to present to you at that time which I hope will be for the advancement of our department.

We are pleased to note that so many unions are placing our little Sabbath Observance mottoes in the hands of the Sunday School children, much good will be accomplished in this way.

With the co-operation of the Chapin Park Union we have been enabled to place more than five hundred of these mottoes in South Bend homes during the past month.

Dear Sisters, your influence is far reaching, will you not use it in every way that you can for the preservation of our Holy Sabbath Day. Yours for a better observance of the Sabbath,

MRS. KATHRYN WERT HOLLER,
Pres. Board State Superintendents.

To County Superintendents of Peace:

Dear Sisters—I am now sending you the blanks for reports. Please make up the summary of the work of the year, and return to me, which, you will remember, is the time for the closing of books for this year's work. I am also sending to you, and to many County Presidents—where there is no Superintendent of Peace—some choice pieces of literature, which I hope you can use to advantage even yet before the convention. It would be my choice to have written to each a personal letter, but many unlooked-for duties have claimed my care. How often is it so with us all? And many plans have had to be laid aside. Let us press on, however, with the work on hand, and let us remember that an important part of our work is prayer.

We so need guidance and confidence in the gracious purposes of God toward His people. Another need in the promotion of the Peace movement is that we be informed. To know, at least in part, what has been done. What is being done, and what may yet be done, will be worth much to us as peace-workers. Much of this may be learned from the various bits of literature I am sending you. Study and circulate. Many copies of "The Messenger of Peace" are sent out this month; read, hand to your neighbor, and get as many subscribers as possible. In no way can you keep in touch with the various progressive lines of the work at so small expense.

In many cases where no County Superintendent of this department has been appointed, literature has been sent to County Presidents or Superintendents of Christian Citizenship; will not these co-operate in this work? Heartily yours,

H. LAVINA BAILEY,
Superintendent.

Richmond, Ind., August 18, 1910.

LAWS AND STATISTICS.

Dear Sisters of the State—I am sending out this day my cards and a copy of the "Reform Laws of the State."

Have you a Superintendent of Law and Statistics?

If not, will you answer the following questions by the 15th of September, prompt?

If your county has voted dry, what effect has it had as to crimes, drunkenness and arrests?

If your county is wet, what is the prospect of holding a Local Option election?

If your county is dry or wet, has your Tax Rate been raised or lowered?

Do you see any good or bad results of Local Option in your county?

How many arrests for drunkenness in your county the past year?

How many saloons and blind tigers in your county?

How will you keep your county dry in the future—by a revote or by a remonstrance?

MRS. ROWENA E. RANDLE,
Supt. of Law and Statistics, State W. C. T. U.

Will you please answer promptly so I can have my report in full for our state convention. Sign your name and county on each card. Yours in the work.

MRS. ROWENA E. RANDLE,

Mrs. Everlate really does not know how little respect the members of her union have for her. Mrs. Everlate is never on time at church or Sunday School or at the W. C. T. U. meetings. We all know her.

TEMPERANCE LITERATURE.

Dear Sisters and Co-Workers—There never was a time when good literature was in such demand, and when temperance literature had a greater influence upon the public mind.

The liquor interests are flooding the country with false statements, and the temperance people must offset this with the truth. Every local union should be continually at it, molding the public mind through the printed page.

As the literature department has to do with every other department, the local superintendent should keep a record of all literature distributed by the other departments workers, and should include it in her report.

Upon the local depends the entire showing of the state.

Earlier in the year I sent out blanks for local, also a return blank for county superintendent, plan of work, as suggested by our National Superintendent, and literature for help in our department, to all those whose name and address I could secure from the state report and otherwise. If there are others needing these, please write me immediately. Yours for service,

NETTIE D. WARE,
Fairmount, Ind., R. F. D. No. 21.

GREAT GAINS IN GRANT.

Influence Sufficient to Cause Action of Fair Board.

Grant county's coveted increase of 200 members before the state convention is well on the way. Marion Central union has made a gain of 25, bringing its membership up to the 100 mark. North Marion has closed its books after a lively membership contest with a gain of 41, making a total of 80 members. Deer Creek (country) has brought 36 into the fold, the result of a heated membership contest. This union now numbers 76. Other unions of the county are making gains, but are not yet prepared to hand in their reports.

Grant county has for seven years regularly kept a column once a week in one of the leading dailies of Marion. The editors are eager for the W. C. T. U. "stuff" and if it happens to be belated, they waste no time in calling the white ribbon press correspondent to trace up the missing copy.

This column consists of the local news of the 26 unions of the county, and also a few crisp "clippings" showing the advancement of the cause of prohibition.

Columns are also regularly kept up by the local unions of Swayzee and Upland in the newspapers of their towns.

Ten years ago it was hard to get even an announcement printed in Grant county, but things are wonderfully changed.

This county union, at the urgent request of the directors, had a rest room at the county fair last week. The booth was bountifully supplied with rocking chairs and contained a couch and a hammock, where the babies of tired mothers might sleep.

The place was decorated with flags, bunting, pennants and flowers.

A table was well loaded with literature.

The union protest by published resolutions against the indecent shows of last year's fair, so the management promised to clean it up this year, and asked the ladies to come and help them make a clean fair a success.

Fifty undesirable shows were this year refused admission. The directors of the fair were well pleased with the white ribbon booth, and expressed a desire that it be made a permanent feature of the fair.

Field News

VANDERBURG COUNTY convention was held in Evans hall, Evansville. From the Journal News we quote:

"Resolutions were adopted at the annual county convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union Thursday condemning the destruction of the museum building, deploring the long imprisonment of Jennie Malar, and commending city officials for prohibiting the Jeffries-Johnson fight pictures. The resolutions adopted were as follows:

"That we beseech the trustees and the city and county superintendents of our public schools to enforce the scientific temperance institution law more perfectly in letter and spirit, demanding for the pupils the same character of examinations in

this science that is required in other studies in the school curriculum.

"That we deplore the thought of wrecking the museum building and urge our mayor, city council and park commissioners to use the \$5,000 that has been appropriated and have the building repaired and beautified, thus making a benefit to the city.

"That we deplore the delay of the law which leaves prisoners to languish in prison through tedious months awaiting trial, as in the case of Mrs. Malar, arrested for murder.

"That we commend our city officials for prohibiting the exhibition of the prize fight at Reno, Nev.

"That, since the sale of strong drink affects the decency and honor as well as drains the life blood of our people, we petition our state government to prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors."

"The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Belle Whitney; corresponding secretary, Mrs. N. C. Meadows; recording secretary, Mrs. Mary Jenner; treasurer, Mrs. Virginia Read. The membership rolls of the county union have been increased 40 per cent. in the last year."

BENTON COUNTY W. C. T. U. convention was held in the Presbyterian church in Oxford Sept. 8 and 9. Delegates were present from Boswell, Otterbein, Earl Park and Oxford. The ladies of the Oxford union spared no pains in welcoming and providing entertainment for their guests. The Church was beautifully decorated in the national colors, plants and cut flowers, while in front was the lovely pictured face of Miss Willard. We were very fortunate in having with us Mrs. McWhirter, of Indianapolis, editor of the Message. Mrs. Amanda Smith, the county president, and Mrs. Hannah Cook, of Boswell, was appointed secretary. Thursday afternoon was devoted to reports of county officers and superintendents. Mrs. McWhirter made short talks on "Franchise and Social Purity," Thursday evening. Addresses of welcome were made in behalf of the churches by Rev. Stanforth, of the M. E. church and in behalf of the Oxford union by Mrs. Hallie Morse, our local president. Song of welcome by a class of little girls. An appropriate response by Miss Barr, of Earl Park. The main feature of the evening was the address by Mrs. McWhirter, who presented the cause of temperance in such a way that we realized as never before the need of women working that the home and our children be kept pure and the street and town be clean and free from temptation. Friday morning, devotionals by Rev. Haynes of the Free Methodist church. Mrs. McWhirter was to leave on the 11:15 train, so most of the time was given to her, and she surely gave us of her abundance of good thoughts. We were granted a short recess to bid her good-bye and god-speed, and she left us amid the waving of handkerchiefs and the song "God Be With You Till We Meet Again." One of the sad things, but very sweet to us, was the memorial service for our departed members, conducted by Mrs. Amanda Smith. Friday afternoon—County superintendents were appointed and reports finished. Mrs. Edith White read a most excellent paper on "Woman's Interest in All Reform Movements." "Mrs. Edna Sewall's "Plain Talk with Mothers" was another of the good things of which we had received so much. Friday evening—Instead of the usual medal contest an entertainment was given. Miss Nora Johnson favored us with a solo and Mrs. Etta Stengle and Miss Rowe gave readings. Uncle Sam's Party was a new feature that proved very entertaining. A flag drill by a class of girls closed one of the best W. C. T. U. conventions ever held in the county. Mrs. Amanda Smith, who has been our efficient president for the past ten years, was re-elected for the coming year.—Mrs. Laura B. Evans, Co. Press Supt.

SOUTH BEND.—The Pleasant View W. C. T. U. held the annual meeting at the home of the president, Mrs. T. Vanbuskirk, 1502 Michigan ave, with forty smiling faces present, willing to see death and burial to the liquor traffic. The meeting was opened with a song, led by Mrs. Hopkins and Lydia. After the devotional exercises by Mrs. Culop, the superintendents of different departments gave their annual reports. A gain over last year was reported in the work of each department. Twelve new members were reported by the secretary. Election of officers as follows: Mrs. J. C. Otice, president; Mrs. Van Buskirk, vice president; Mrs. H. L. Kellog, secretary; Mrs. C. W. Hopkins, treasurer; Mrs. Jacob Miller, corresponding secretary. Delegates to represent the union at the state convention at Fort Wayne were Mrs. Ralph Smith, Mrs. E. L. Hull, Mrs. John Staples, Mrs. Van Buskirk. During the social hour refreshments were served by Mrs. Plant, Mrs. Wells and Mrs. Culop and the hostess. The union is to meet Oct 19 with Mrs. T. J. Rockhill, 1333 Michigan ave.—Mrs Jacob Miller.

BROAD RIPPLE.—Mrs. Culla Vayhinger gave an address Sunday evening, Aug. 28, at the M. E. church, which was very much appreciated by a well filled house. Her subject, "What Next for Indiana?" Rev. C. E. Flynn, pastor of the church, assisted in the services; also Rev. Daniels, of the Christian church, Rev. Criley, of Ebenezer Lutheran church, and Dr. Tracy, of Irvington. Sentence prayers were offered by the audience. Mrs. Vayhinger's address delivered here is just what is needed for the voters and shows how the abolition of the liquor traffic must be accomplished. Three new members were secured.

TIPPECANOE COUNTY FAIR AT LAFAYETTE.—The county W. C. T. U. was represented on the grounds the entire week by a large tent,

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with a good supply of literature, which was distributed during the week. We had to rent our tent, but got our space free of charge. A different union had charge each day, the "Frances Willard" taking charge Tuesday, the "Lafayette" Wednesday, the "Central" Thursday, the "Edgerton" Friday. A number of persons were approached upon the subject of temperance, and it is hoped much good will result. The tent was furnished with ample means for rest and comfort, such as chairs, wash stand, bowl and pitcher, plenty of water, a mirror and a cot, also carpet on the floor. Many tired mothers found it a source of great comfort as it afforded them a place to rest and put their babies to sleep. It seemed to be very much appreciated by them especially. In fact, it seemed to be a source of great blessing to all who stopped with us.—Lillian Hall, Press Supt.

ROLL.—Purity union elected the following officers: President, Lizzie Likley; vice president, Sarah Harrold; recording secretary, Martha Palmer; corresponding secretary, Lena Palmer; treasurer, Myrta Palmer. Superintendents were appointed as follows: Sunday school, Mrs. Anna Albright, Montpelier, R. F. D. 10; Evangelistic, Mrs. Sabra Long, Rall, Ind.; Mothers, Mrs. Mollie Alexander; Press, Mrs. Sarah Harrold; Literature, Mrs. Rebecca Ittle; Flower Mission, Mrs. Sarah Adams; Contest, Mrs. Martha Cramers. The hostess served ice cream and cake.—Sarah Harrold.

INDIANAPOLIS-BRIGHTWOOD W. C. T. U.—Brightwood's retiring president Mrs. O. R. Rash, was very agreeably surprised Tuesday evening, Aug. 30, when 41 of the members and friends of the union gathered at her home. After a very interesting literary program, Mrs. Bolster, in behalf of the union, presented her with a beautiful book, "What Frances E. Willard Said," followed by a social hour, during which refreshments were served by the committee.

LA PORTE.—Seth Rose, husband of our faithful secretary, Mrs. Rebecca Pease, departed this life Aug. 21 after two years of illness. He was a kind husband and father. The union sympathizes with our sister in her sorrow.—Mrs. L. E. Harmon, tha See.

BOONVILLE, IND.—The Women's Christian Temperance Union has held some very pleasant meetings this summer. Our June and July meetings were held with our sisters in the country, and we enjoyed the hospitality of their country homes very much. In August we met at our fair grounds and was assisted by some young girls who recited some fine selections. The September meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Robert Wilkinson and the following officers elected President, Mrs. Sue K. Hart; vice president, Mrs. W. C. Hunton; secretary, Mrs. Robt. Wilkinson; treasurer, Mrs. Emma Peters. This is the third consecutive year that Mrs. Hart has been elected president, which speaks well for her as president. On next Tuesday we go to the home of Mrs. John Gray, who is an invalid, having been confined to her bed for ten years, and have an indoor picnic. Mrs. Gray has made the plans and we intend to carry them out just as she wishes, and try to bring a day of sunshine into her life. She is an interested member of our Union, and although confined to her bed all the time, has written some interesting papers for our meetings. Our members have kept a very good supply of enthusiasm through the heated summer and as autumn approaches we hope to do greater work.—Mrs. Robert Wilkinson, Press Cor.

LIBERTY CENTER W. C. T. U. held an interesting meeting September 8 at the country home of Mrs. Ida Popejoy. The opening exercises of temperance songs, Scripture reading and sentence prayers were followed by the question-box which elicited a number of lively discussions. Delegates were chosen for the state convention and arrangements made for entertaining the county convention which meets at Liberty Center, September 28-29. The same officers were re-elected for the ensuing year. We have a most excellent treasurer, and our president, although a busy farmer's wife, is always ready to give abundantly of her time and energy to push the good work along. Our membership now numbers sixty-three. We had a social half hour during which our hostess served watermelon and fruit.

Everton W. C. T. U., Fayette Co., held the September meeting with Vice Pres. Mrs. Alma Lake, Wednesday afternoon, September 14, being day for election of officers, the former officers were retained, Mrs. Clara Lake, president; Mrs. Alma Lake vice president; Mrs. Mabel Myer; secretary, Mrs. Monta Floyd, treasurer. Interesting papers were read, "Needs of our community, and what we can do to meet them," by Mrs. Alma Lake, and "The relation of temperance to missions," by Mrs. Eva Piper; both were replete with food for thought and if carried out would prove, for local, state and National good. A general talk was engaged in, regarding Sunday observance which the W. C. T. U. strongly advocate and work for. The devotional exercises opening the meeting were led by Mrs. Lake, benediction by Mrs. Floyd. The next meeting, October 12, will be at "Valley Mound Farm," country home of Mrs. Brumfiel.—Annie Trusler Brumfiel, Press Supt.

The Marion County convention was held in Hall Place church with a very large attendance, splendid reports were given of the departments and of the local unions. The speakers were Judge George W. Stubbs of the Juvenile Court whose subject was "Dealing with Children," and Rev. W. W. McGee, pastor of the Earl Park Christian Church, who spoke most interestingly on

Woman's Suffrage. There was a matrons' oratorical contest with six contestants. Mrs. Virginia Hadden won the medal. Over five hundred paid members were reported. Marion county will elect her own National delegate. On account of the serious illness of Judge Samuel R. Artman, Mrs. Artman, county president, was not present. Dr. Martha E. Keller, the county vice president, had charge of the convention which was the largest and best convention ever held by the Marion County Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Samuel R. Artman, 1933 N. New Jersey St.; Vice President, Dr. Martha E. Keller, N. Alabama St.; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Bingham, 318 N. Rural St.; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Colsea, 1228 Ashland Ave.; Treasurer, Mrs. J. B. Heath, 312 E. Walnut St.

At the State Fair this year great work was done by the distribution of W. C. T. U. literature by our efficient and energetic state superintendent, Mrs. J. B. Heath, and her splendid co-workers. Many thousands of copies of a very practical leaflet, specially prepared by Mrs. Heath, were sent broadcast. This leaflet contains quotations from Miss Willard and the "Declaration of Principles of the W. C. T. U."

Anti Saloon League.—At the Michigan State Convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, held in Port Huron, Mr. P. W. Marsh, state attorney for the Anti-Saloon League, appeared and asked one of the ladies to present to the executive board an invitation to elect two of their number on the Anti-Saloon League Advisory Board. The request was promptly turned down and a courteous letter written the League to this effect. The ladies agreed not to discuss the matter openly or to let it out to the press. True American.

LAPORTE.—A profitable conference was held at our rooms August 17 with Mrs. Retta Jones. Lunch was served at the rooms and a social time enjoyed until the evening hour, when we went to the Friends' church where Mrs. Jones gave a most excellent address full of good impressive truths and was appreciated by the audience. Two gave their names for membership.—Mrs. L. E. Harmon.

HOWARD COUNTY.—It is said, sometimes, "the deepest streams are silent." We are alive in old Howard. We have held our County Executive and Department meetings each quarter and the last was out in the country, at the beautiful spacious home of Mrs. Dora Johnson. A goodly number were present and a program for the coming convention was arranged and other business matters, closing a year of faithful work done in county.

KOKOMO UNION and L. T. L. and SOUTH KOKOMO went together and secured a tent and cots and had beautiful headquarters at Chautauqua. We had a prominent place in the grounds, and as we had two of our sisters on the board we were given two good numbers, Mrs. Leona Lake and Lincoln McConnell, counted the best numbers of Chautauqua, by many. Thanks to Mrs. Ida Mix and Miss Rebecca Trueblood, for their endeavors and success of day and also help of others in furnishing tent. We were at home at all hours, even to answering phone calls, as the headquarters of Chautauqua were at our side. This was one of the most pleasant places on the grounds and we were ever ready to welcome one and all, and we believe seed was sown that we will see the harvest. The other Unions of county are at work, and we hope to come up with a good report in all departments.—Mrs. Irene Gard, County Press Supt.

SOUTH BEND.—Mr. and Mrs. Tomis Jackson, as hostesses, entertained the Pleasant View W. C. T. U. at the Jackson home on the Michigan Ave. Road at an all day meeting Wednesday, the 10th; covers were laid for fifty. At which was enjoyed the bountiful supply of everything good. After dinner a business session was followed by a program of which Mrs. C. W. Hopkins had charge. The devotional exercises were led by Mrs. Austin. A very interesting paper on the life of Mrs. Mary H. Hont was given by Mrs. W. F. Donley; the Misses Aloa and Ethel Steel gave a piano duet; Mrs. Hopkins gave a talk on the Power of the Press, in which it was made very plain that good could be done through the press. Miss Marie Jackson closed the program with a piano solo. After a social hour which was very pleasantly spent the hostess was assisted in serving cream and cake by Mrs. John Shelley and Mrs. Hopkins. Through the columns of your paper we want to thank Mr. and Mrs. Jackson and children for their kind hospitality which will never be forgotten and may their children rise up and call them blessed in the temperance work.—Mrs. J. Milles, County Secretary.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.—On the evening of July 18, Madison Senior L. T. L. held an open meeting at the hall and gave a delightful program. Mrs. Vayhanger was present and gave an address. Mrs. Rev. Traum of Richmond, and Mrs. Callis of Milton, both charter members and officers of Madison's first Union, gave good talks. Mrs. Dr. Denny gave a social at her beautiful new home the following evening, July 19th. All were royally entertained. A dainty lunch was served after the program was rendered.—M. E. B., Press Supt.

RICHMOND.—The annual business meeting of the Frances E. Willard W. C. T. U. was held in Rhoda Temple. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. S. W. Traum; vice president, Miss Lavina Bailey; secretary, Mrs. Sadie Eves; treasurer, Mrs. R. R. Hopkins. Mrs.

Traum and Miss Martha Harris were chosen delegates to the state convention, which will be held in October at Ft. Wayne. The alternates chosen are Mrs. Hannah Graves and Mrs. R. R. Hopkins. Mrs. Hopkins has served the Union as treasurer for the past eighteen years and has faithfully filled her position.

Mrs. Retta Jones writes: A new W. C. T. U. was organized at Ross Lake County August 22nd. The president is Mrs. Mamie Holmes; vice president, Mrs. Myrtle Hay; recording secretary, Miss Edna Dutton; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Bertha Holmes; treasurer, Mrs. Wm. Watts. There are nine active and two honorary members.

Temperance Rally Day.—Mrs. G. L. Huxtable, President Fayette County, writes: The Union of Fayette County met at my home in August and arranged for a Rally Day to be held August 27th. It was our first effort and our women worked loyally putting forth every effort for success, as much depended on this first meeting if we could hope to make this a yearly event. The day was beautiful and early in the morning automobiles, trucks and carriages began to come from all parts of the county and continued until a great concourse of people was present. Rev. Burkhardt of Frankfort gave a most powerful lecture in behalf of our cause. He was followed by Claude A. Gunder, who spoke with great pathos of the terrible influence of drink over his life and his marvelous delivery from its curse. The silver medal was won by Mrs. Ernest Ward on "Yes, I'm Guilty"; Mrs. Ward is one of our most earnest workers in all lines and carries a very happy flower in her mission work. Our Rally Day was a great and complete success and we shall work to have it grow in strength and influence each year.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY convention was held in Hartsville September 13. The morning session was devoted to reports from county officers and superintendents. Work reported along the lines of education and prevention was encouraging. Election of county officers resulted as follows: County president, Miss Laura Simms; corresponding secretary, Miss Jennie Guffey; recording secretary, Miss Zelma Lawrence, Hartsville; treasurer, Mrs. Laura Patterson, Columbus. A parliamentary drill was given by county president. Rev. West Lafer read an excellent paper on "Systematic Giving." An address on Woman's Suffrage was given by Mrs. Alice Redman. Mrs. Effie Morrison read a leaflet and commented on the Department of Moral Education. Talks on Department Work were given by the different superintendents. One honorary member was secured. A silver medal contest was held at night in which Miss Maude White of Hartsville won the medal.—Mrs. Jenine Guffey, Co. Supt. Press Work.

KOKOMO.—Report of the South Kokomo W. C. T. U. for the year beginning September 15, 1909, and ending September 15, 1910. Number of meetings held during the year 24, number of new members 7, old members reinstated 3, membership lost during the year 3, money spent for National delegates expenses for 1908 and 1909, \$5.80. For freight on box to Hadley Home, 28 cents, state model pro. 50 cents, Press Work 66 cents, Scripture cards 25 cents, flower mission work \$11.52, literature \$1.40, \$2.00 for tent at Chautauqua, 30 cents for flowers to plant on graves of deceased members. Whole amount spent \$22.71. Celebrated "Mothers' Day" in May. Appointed committee to wait on the mayor in behalf of Sabbath observance. Sent a box in the early spring to Hadley Home valued at \$5.00. Distributed 828 pages of scientific temperance literature and 20 copies of "Scientific Temperance Law" of Indiana in the schools of South Kokomo. Held one market, proceeds \$13.72. Held one meeting on medical temperance, one on Christian citizenship, one on soft drinks, one mothers' meeting, one Bible reading, one gospel temperance meeting, joined the North Union in holding memorial services at cemetery and decorated graves of deceased members with flags. President entertained the fourth quarterly meeting held in November. She has attended all the county quarterly meetings during the year. Pages of literature distributed 4,022. We have issued the model program.—A Member.

LINN GROVE UNION.—Mrs. S. M. Stahl of Hartford City held a Mothers' meeting on the afternoon of August 8, in the Evangelical church at Linn Grove. She gave a very interesting talk upon "Social Purity" which was well received. A public meeting was held in the evening and a program rendered in which Mrs. Stahl gave an inspiring address. Miss Ida Baumgartner sang a solo, "The White Ribbon," Miss Zoa French and Little Margaret Moran of Decatur recited, and four new members were gained (two honorary), for the Union and we expect to have twenty paid members before convention. The meetings were a source of inspiration to us and we are working with renewed energy. Your devoted co-worker, Winona Hoffmann Yager, Press Supt.

MADISON.—The elegant new home of Mrs. Dr. Denny was a bower of beauty Tuesday evening, August 23. The occasion being a "Due Social," given by the Madison W. C. T. U. The color scheme of green and white was carried out through reception hall, parlor and dining room in smilax and bows of white ribbon, a large bow of white crepe paper adorning the chandelier. As the guests arrived they were given a fourth fragment of a card tied with a white ribbon, on the card had been written a question, or statement pertaining to the use of strong drink. The matching of the cards produced an informal sociability at once and the privilege of the four whose cards

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matched to be served cake and grape juice in the dining room, Miss Leota and a bevy of Senior L. T. L. girls serving. The guests were delighted with readings by Mrs. Florence Demarce, who gave "The Second Trial" and "My Sister's trip," a whistling solo by Mr. Frank Vail, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Vail, and readings, "Mamma's Pickaninnie" and "Sisterly Love" in negro dialect, by Miss Sherlock. Much merriment was caused by the acting of individuals in response to written requests fished from cluster of white ribbon streamers. The charade like performance exhibited the Madison talent of impersonators and other stunts, both comical and pathetic. Mr. Frank Vail carried off the laurels. Much is "Due" Mrs. Denny for a delightful social time.—M. E. B.

THE MADISON W. C. T. U. held their regular monthly business meeting at Brigade hall Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. After singing "Christ for the World We Sing." Mrs. Denny at the piano, the devotionals were conducted by the president, Mrs. Jamison followed by singing "We'll Wind the Ribbon 'Round the Nation." After reports were given of Secretary Treasurer L. T. L. and the several departments which were all good, the election of the following officers took place: President, Mrs. Rosa Jamison; vice president, Mrs. Jenny Denny; recording secretary, Mrs. Vanter; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Andrews; treasurer, Mrs. Jenkins. Delegates to the state convention to be held at Ft. Wayne, by virtue of the office, are Mrs. Denny, state; Mrs. Augustin, county, and Mrs. Jamison, local president. Arrangements were made for the county convention to be held at the Brigade hall September 18, 19 and 20. A full and excellent program is being arranged for two evenings' entertainment. Mr. Shumaker is on for Monday night and the department demonstration Tuesday night. These demonstrations are acted and schrade-like, making the work of these departments of the W. C. T. U. very plain, instructive and convincing. Some of which are very pathetic, while others are amusing and comic.—May E. Bayless, Press Supt.

THE INDIANAPOLIS SOUTH SIDE UNION held their annual meeting September 6th, at the Hoyt Ave. M. P. Church. In the absence of the president the vice president, Mrs. G. A. Barkham, presided during the regular order of business. Mrs. Swain was invited to take the chair during the election of officers. The election resulted as follows: President, Mrs. G. A. Barkham; vice president, Mrs. S. A. Swain; recording secretary, Mrs. Wm. Anderson; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Wm. H. Hoover; treasurer, Mrs. W. J. Sancer.

Mrs. O. R. Rash of Indianapolis Brightwood Union reports for year ending September, 1910. All regular meetings except three have been held, making twenty-one for the year. These three were not held on account of a revival meeting, "Husbands' Night" and a severe storm. Our membership totals 36. Have gained 8. Five moved away. We also have 11 honorary members, three of whom are ministers. We are carrying fourteen departments; twelve department meetings were held. The county president and six county superintendents encouraged us by visits and talks. We also had talks by Rev. J. B. Lutz, J. L. Stout, G. W. Grannis, A. E. Bolster and Mr. Horkey, a Bohemian, who is doing missionary work among the fourteen nationalities of our city, Mr. F. D. Loomis of the Children's Aid Association and Dr. Amelia Keller, President of Indianapolis Equal Suffrage Association, and President of Indianapolis Local Council of Women have given talks before our Union. We observed Madam Willard's Birthday, Frances E. Willard's Memorial, an open air meeting at Brookside Park, and Flower Mission Day. The latter at The Door of Hope. Have held three public meetings. The county president, Mrs. S. R. Artman, the county treasurer, Mrs. Lizzie Heath, who is also State Superintendent of Fairs and Open Air Meetings and our Delegate to National Convention and State Vice President, Mrs. Stanley, respectively as speakers. Held three silver medal contests, one of which was for matrons. Fair Collections were taken at both the public meetings and contests. We gave a reception to the contestants not winning a medal. Three mothers' meetings have been held with the following speakers: Mrs. Luella McWhirter at Kindergarten hall, No. 13, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley at School No. 51, and Mrs. Martha Gipe at the home of our Mothers' meeting Supt, Mrs. Etta Cannaday. Have had temperance talks, recitations, and pledge signing in the Sunday Schools, beside helping support our Haughville and West Side W. C. T. U. Mission Sunday Schools. We paid toward the salary of a chief lady probation officer in Police Judge J. A. Collins' court. Two of our women were instrumental in helping break up two cases of immorality. As president of the Union I have visited four Unions of the county, attended State Convention, County Institute and superintendents' meeting. All meetings of the Executive Committee, and six meetings of Indianapolis Council of Women, our Union being affiliated with the latter organization. Yours for God and Home and Native Land.

LANDESVILLE.—Hanfield union met with Mrs. Emma Weesner one-half mile south of Landessville Sept. 1. Our beloved president, Mrs. Maria Campbell, had charge of the devotional service. Mrs. Lucy Pugh read a letter from the state president to the union. Marietta Pence gave a recitation. Miss Nellie Weesner acted as secretary. Number of members present, 12; visitor, 1. Officers elected: President, Mrs. Marie Campbell; vice presi-

dent, Silvia Pence; secretary, Ada Knetzer; treasurer, Maggie McCracken. Misses Nellie Weesner and Mary Campbell were elected as delegates to state convention, with Mamie Hall and Anna Porter alternates. Number of new members gained during year, 11; honorary members, 11. Held one public meeting during the year. Mrs. Vayhinger was with us at that time. A penny collection at each meeting is used for literature. While our numbers are few we feel that we are helping some in the warfare against sin and Satan and expect to do more in the future than we have in the past.—S. B. P. Press Supt. pro tem.

INDIANAPOLIS CENTRAL W. C. T. U. held a very interesting meeting Sept. 8, at the home of Mrs. S. W. Lackey, east of Twelfth street. The attendance was universally large, and many things of importance discussed, among them being the subject of scientific temperance teaching in the public schools. While by state law such teaching is required, the Supts. of Public Schools do not urge the teachers to teach it, and only a few teachers in the city give any time to the subject. Superintendents for the different departments were appointed delegates to county and state conventions were elected.

The delegates to the state convention are: Mrs. George T. Breunig, Mrs. H. L. Sperry, Mrs. L. W. Lackey and Mrs. Wm. Perry.—Mary M. Perry.

THE WABASH CO. W. C. T. U. convention was held Sept. 16 in Friends' church, South Wabash. The convention was one of the best ever held in the county. The superintendents nearly all made good reports and nearly all had written reports. Election of officers: President, Mrs. L. A. Morgan, Wabash; vice president, Mrs. Ivy Flora, North Manchester; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Lillian Harkness, Wabash; recording secretary, Mrs. Winesburg, North Manchester; treasurer, Mrs. Emma Bowman, North Manchester.

Six new members were secured at the convention. Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, state president, delivered the address in the evening. The address was good and well delivered. The house was full and she had the closest attention throughout the evening. We take up our work with renewed zeal and enthusiasm.—J. R. C.

THE BRIDGEPORT union held its meeting in September with Mrs. Maude Price in Bridgeport, with a good percent, of our members present. After the regular business our president gave a short talk on "Review of the Year's Work," and "Plans for the Coming Year," which was beneficial. We enjoyed a most helpful paper by Mrs. Anna Robinson on "Needs of Our Community and What We Can Do to Meet Them." It was a stirring appeal to each woman to be alive to evils in our midst and we felt very clearly that we as White Ribboners should be doing something to help our community. It was a very practical paper and just what we need. We appointed our full quota of delegates to both county and state conventions and we anticipate a good attendance. Our hostess served pleasing refreshments and we went to our homes feeling stirred to greater activity for the coming year.

SOUTH WABASH union has eight new members. The meetings are interesting and well attended.

LIBERTY union has nearly doubled the membership. Gains were made by a membership contest. Mrs. Thos. W. Records, the new president, is the wife of the High School superintendent.

LA PORTE.—At the annual meeting the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Ella Canary; vice president, Mrs. William Robinson; corresponding and recording secretary, Mrs. Seth Pease; treasurer, Mrs. August Kregle; vice presidents from churches, Baptist, Mrs. Mary Bumgartner; Methodist, Mrs. J. N. Harmon; Friends, Mrs. Maribah Sellers.

LAFAYETTE MONON UNION.—At the annual meeting Mrs. Bradley reported one mothers' meeting. Mrs. Moore, superintendent of systematic giving, gave a short talk. A donation of \$1 was made to the children's home. Treasurer reported June Flower Mission collection \$3.20; in treasury, \$3.80.

Election of officers as follows: President, Mrs. Bradley; vice president, Mrs. Shaffer; corresponding secretary, Mrs. M. Donoho; secretary, Mrs. Tuill; treasurer, Mrs. Parker.

POSEY CO W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Chas. Copeland, Poseyville, Sept. 13, for the purpose of electing county officers. Four delegates of the Mt. Vernon union were present. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Lou Rogers, Poseyville; vice president, Mrs. Chas. Copeland, Poseyville; recording and corresponding secretary, Mrs. Wm. Black, Mt. Vernon; treasurer, Mrs. May Cleveland, Poseyville. Good reports were given by the president of each union. Quite a number of new members have been added during the year.

After the business session refreshments were served by the hostess and a social hour enjoyed by those present.

MANVILLE W. C. T. U. held their regular meeting Tuesday afternoon Sept. 13, at the home of Miss Lullie Salyers. Eleven members answered the roll call and enjoyed the splendid program, which was as follows: Scripture reading, Miss Lullie Salyers; prayer by Rev. J. W. Lanham; reading, "Temperance at Home and Abroad," Miss Anna Rea; paper, "Present Day Tendencies," Will Rogers; reading, "What Prohibition Has Done for Georgia," Miss May Rogers; paper, "The Needs of Our Community and How to Meet Them," Miss Lullie Salyers. Rev. Lanham gave an interesting talk, which was appreciated by all present.—Mabel Lanham.

DUNKIRK.—Dear White Ribboners, we greet you. Another year's work is done, and while we are thankful for what we have we are hoping for greater things next year. We have some very earnest workers and hope to double our number and so increase our capacity for good work. In the year just ending we made 200 calls on the sick, used 50 text cards, sent out 96 bouquets and 18 glasses of jelly, given oysters, eggs and game and magazines to the sick, two dress skirts, one boy's suit of clothes, two caps, one pair gloves, several pairs of hose, two dinners, held prayers in seven homes, spent for flowers \$2.09; amount of money spent by this department, \$11.64. Balance cash in floral fund, 95 cents. We purchased 400 pledges. Nearly all of these are signed. We purchased a strong box in which to drop the list of signers, the box to remain locked until 1920. It is the desire of this local to keep in touch with all those who have signed this pledge, and we are ready and willing to help them if need be. We have framed and presented Frances E. Willard's picture to the Dunkirk High School. World's Temperance Sunday was observed in four churches, Frances E. Willard's birthday observed, five honorary members secured, attended county institute. Press notices of twelve meetings, held one medal contest, assisted in two contests, miscellaneous bills allowed amounting to \$7.90. Yours for victory.—Mrs. Martha Faulkner.

WABASH COUNTY.—Mrs. S. M. Stahl spent three days in our county visiting the unions, holding parlor meetings and calling upon the women in their homes. Her address in the Middle Street M. E. church, Wabash, was convincing and converting. We have eight new members as the result of her work, and we hope she will come again.—Sarah E. Morgan.

THE MADISON Woman's Christian Temperance union held the regular monthly business meeting at their hall on Mulberry street Tuesday afternoon, Aug. 9, with a good attendance of willing workers. The devotional was opened with song, "We Belong," followed with Scripture reading by Mrs. Johnson, the president, and prayer by Mrs. Denny. Then "We'll Wind the Ribbon 'Round the Nation" was sung. Mrs. Denny at the piano. After the treasurer's report, by Mrs. Jenkins, and the department superintendents' reports were given there was an informal discussion, which was very interesting and important.—M. E. B.

THE MATTHEWS W. C. T. U. held an all-day meeting at the home of the president, Mrs. Lena Shaw, Sept. 8. The union reorganized and the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Lena Shaw; vice president, Mrs. Cora Osburn; secretary, Mrs. Margaret Frissel; treasurer, Mrs. Allie Garretson. Mrs. Emma Bell from Jonesboro was present and gave a very interesting talk on "Health and Heredity," followed by a recitation, "When I'm a Man," by Clide Boyer. Mrs. Carrie Mettack, Mrs. Margaret Carter and Charley Shaw became members of the union. Mrs. Lena Shaw, Mrs. Allie Garretson and Mrs. Eunice Bartlett were appointed delegates to the state convention at Ft. Wayne.

MORGANTOWN W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Loula Wemmer on Saturday, Aug. 13, with a good attendance. Mrs. Kate Teeters read a good paper on the "Woman's Battle," and Mrs. Loula Wemmer read a practical paper on "How May We Help in Elections and in Law Enforcements." Several current topics were read by the press superintendent. Saturday, Sept. 11, the union met at the home of Mrs. Bettie Adams with a large attendance. Mrs. Dora Collet read a leaflet on the needs of our community. All superintendents gave good reports. The elections of officers follows: Mrs. Florence Canesty, president; Mrs. Loula Wemmer, vice president; Mrs. Kate Teeters, treasurer; Mrs. Belle Williams, secretary; Mrs. Alice Parker, L. T. L. supt.—Mrs. Ber-

AUTOMOBILING to W. C. T. U. meetings is a plan of the Seymour union when the hostess lives in the country. On this occasion the hostess was Mrs. Oscar Carter. There was a delightful meeting. An unusually interesting paper on "Woman's Interest in Reform" was read by Mrs. M. E. Baker. Fine fruit from the Carter farm and sherbet was served by the hostess. At departure the guests were given fruit souvenirs.

TO COUNTY PRESIDENTS.

Dear Sisters:—Will you please send department penants awarded to your county last year to Mrs. Elsie Chapman, 520 Nuttman street, Ft. Wayne, chairman of the decoration committee. This is very important, as the work must be done before the convention opens.—Gertrude Fulton, Sec. Board of Supts.

Our Promoted Comrades

THE AARON WORTH UNION sustains great loss in the death of their secretary, Mrs. Eva Dare, of Fairmount, Ind. She had a deep love for our cause and was faithful in her attendance at the meetings. The husband and son, Russell, have our deepest sympathy.

ANN C. HODGIN.—On the evening of August 20th, Ann C. Hodgin a member of Westfield W. C. T. U., was promoted to the higher life. She was a faithful, earnest worker in the cause, serving the Union both as Vice-President and Superintendent of Flower Mission. Her pleasant smile and cheerful life were an inspiration to all. We feel that we sustain a vacancy that is difficult to fill.

THE BATH FRANCIS WILLARD UNION of Franklin County has sustained a loss in the death of Mrs. Una Doty. She was a brave and patient sufferer. For years she has labored with a frail body. "At rest" are sweet words when we think of the body, "At work" are sweeter words when we think of the soul that lives on.

THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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FORT WAYNE CONVENTION

The Thirty Seventh Annual Convention of the Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana was Held at Fort Wayne, October 14-18, 1910.

This convention was by far the greatest convention W. C. T. U. women ever held in Indiana. There were nearly seven hundred delegates and out-of-town visitors in attendance.

The convention was held in the First M. E. church, which was centrally located and very appropriately and beautifully decorated.

The morning prayer meetings at 8:15 o'clock were held in the Grace Reformed church.

The weather was ideal, the Fort Wayne committees had their plans so well in hand and their work systematized so that everything went smoothly and pleasantly. There was not the least hitch anywhere.

The gentlemen assisted the committees in an unusual manner. Mr. Bloom personally took many delegates to their places of entertainment and he said that all delegates seem appreciative and pleased. Of course they did! Our W. C. T. U. women are the sweetest spirited women ever. Everything was propitious for a good and great convention, and such it proved to be.

President Vayhinger was at her best.

The general officers were all present, in fine spirits, and made excellent reports. The president's address was able—it was statesmanlike, and should be in the hands of every member.

The good cheer, and the splendid interest and enthusiasm of the entire delegations was most inspiring.

The report of Miss Mary Woodard, state corresponding secretary, was heard with profound interest.

The report of the treasurer, Miss Clara Sears, was of unusual interest. It showed a balance in banks of \$3,083.89, which, with the money out on loans and other investments, aggregates \$15,777.25. Receipts during the last year were \$9,686.28 and expenditures \$6,592.39. Membership 7,943, which is a gain of 310 over last year.

Miss Laura G. Cammack, Y. Secretary, made a full report of the year's work.

Mrs. Ida Mix made a detailed report of the Loyal Temperance Legion.

Board of State Trustees.

Three members were elected to serve for three years: Mrs. Ida Mix, of Kokomo; Mrs. Lida Outland, of Upland, and Mrs. Martha Ridenour, of Fort Wayne. Trustees whose terms will expire in October, 1911, are Miss Clara Sears, Mrs. Rose Pearce and Mrs. Mary Jenner. Those whose terms expire in October, 1912, are Mrs. Cella J. Vayhinger, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley and Miss Mary Woodard. From the members of the Board of Trustees the state officers must be selected.

All the Officers Re-Elected.

There were 426 voting delegates. For president, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Upland; vice president, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Liberty; Cor. Sec., Miss Mary Woodard, Fountain City; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Rose Pearce, Darlington; Treasurer, Miss Clara M. Sears, Anderson.

The president's address should be read in every W. C. T. U. home in Indiana.

The report of Miss Woodard should be read in every union in our state. The best informed men of Indiana will be interested in this report. Miss Woodard speaks definitely on some state and national questions.

Friday evening was "Welcome Night," and the welcomes on behalf of the W. C. T. U. by Mrs. Martha Ridenour, the churches by Rev. Cecil, for Public Instruction by Prof. J. N. Study, superintendent of schools, on behalf of the Federation of Women's Clubs by Mrs. Elizabeth Dawson, the Commercial Club by Mr. Chas. S. Bash, and the city by Hon. Jesse Grice, Mayor, were all hearty and appreciated.

The responses were by Mrs. McWhirter and Mrs. Stanley.

The music was of especial interest and much enjoyed.

By arrangement of Mrs. W. J. Hunter, chairman of city transportation for the convention the delegates were rested and entertained on Saturday afternoon by a visit to the Indiana State School for the Feeble Minded, where, through the courtesy of Supt. Carroll the delegates were shown over the buildings and grounds. The Fort Wayne and Wabash Valley Traction company furnished ten big summer cars for the delegates. These were all decorated with many American flags and many white pennants on which was "Welcome W. C. T. U." The cars were brought right to the church and happy, merry delegates to the number of more than 500 took the long beautiful ride out to the school. Promptly at the

appointed time the cars all returned for the delegates.

The convention program contained some familiar temperance songs—in almost all of the cars, both going and returning the delegates sang these songs. Through the business streets many hundreds of men stopped and listened to the words of the refrain "Its Coming! Its Coming! The morn for which we pray; We'll take the world for Christ's own kingdom some glad day." This to the tune of "Old Black Joe."

To the tune of "Dixie" the delegates, returning, sang "We're Out for Prohibition" as the ten cars passed through the main streets. It was about five o'clock on Saturday afternoon and the streets were thronged with people who caught the spirit of the good cheer, heard the singing and saw the gayly decorated cars.

One saloon keeper said that he would rather than a \$1,000 the convention had not been held in Fort Wayne.

Diamond Medal Contest.

In charge of Mrs. Julia Overman the greatest contest ever held in Indiana, if interest, enthusiasm and a packed house count.

Miss Virginia Smith, of Indianapolis, won the medal. Her subject was: "The Court of Last Appeal." The other contestants were Miss Blanche Albert, of Huntington; Miss Hazel Phares, of Greentown; Miss Carrie Horney, of Hortenville; Miss Fortney, of Monroeville; Cleo Myers, of Monroeville; Miss Emma McDonald, of Elwood.

Mrs. Overman and her contest superintendents are doing a great work, and are helping at a tremendous rate to bring Prohibition to Indiana. Long live Mrs. Overman!

On Sunday the W. C. T. U. speakers were in the pulpits of Fort Wayne with splendid results.

Mrs. E. L. Calkins, president of the Michigan W. C. T. U., made a fine address on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Calkins was a former vice president of Indiana W. C. T. U.

The demonstration on Monday night was fine, and was much enjoyed. The church was packed, as was the Majestic theater on Sabbath afternoon. Hundreds went away on Sabbath for want of room, and many stood throughout the service. The collection was \$96. Hon. Clinton N. Harvard made a great speech, and left a fine impression. He said he always likes to speak for the Woman's Christian "Tremendous" Union.

On Monday afternoon, late, the delegates accepted an invitation to visit the "Perfection Biscuit Co." The distance not being great from the church, they formed a line of march, which was several squares in length, and surprised the people along the line who did not expect to see so many. Miss Woodard said: "Saloon keepers and all stood and stared." The visit to the Biscuit Co. proved to be very interesting, each guest was served to hot crackers and fig jam, and as they left each was given a sample package of crackers. They said they gave out 667 packages. By vote of the convention, flowers were sent to the president and manager, Mr. J. B. Franke.

The following letter was received from the Perfection Biscuit Company, of Fort Wayne:

Fort Wayne, Ind., Oct. 19, 1910.

Mrs. W. J. Hunter, 522 W. Superior St., City.
Dear Mrs. Hunter:—While in my office today I was handed, by a messenger, a package from Miss Flick. I told the messenger it must be a mistake, as I did not know who in the world would send me flowers.

Upon investigating further, I found a card from the "W. C. T. U. convention," and then I understood its meaning. It was a pleasant surprise. More than the flowers I appreciate the spirit that thought of us that prompted the act.

We are no exception to the average human nature and enjoy the flowers, but coming to us unexpectedly during the busy hours from this source, is especially appreciated, and I want to thank someone, and assure them that the deed was well done, and has accomplished all that the sender could have desired.

It was a pleasure to us to entertain the "W. C. T. U. convention," and shall remember their visit a long time. Respectfully,—J. B. Franke.

Fraternal Delegates.

Mrs. Mary Emily Ellis, of Kokomo, from the Western yearly meeting of Friends, spoke briefly on the "Why and Wherefore of the Liquor Situation."

Mr. Edward Miller, from the Fort Wayne Federation of Labor, spoke interestingly. "You women," he said, "are engaged in one of the most Godly works in the world today. The labor unions are trying to solve the woman question so far as the industrial phases are concerned. The labor unions believe in woman suffrage and it has in a way solved the question of woman's wages. There are many unions which pay the same wages to the women as they do to men."

The State Superintendents of Departments made reports of much work done. Some of the

superintendents have been very active and very successful in their work this year.

In succeeding issues of THE MESSAGE the strong points reported by the superintendents will be given.

Mrs. Mattie Cammack Gibson was present, and when she began to speak the entire convention arose and gave her the Chautauqua salute in recognition of her return and long years of service.

A life-sized picture of Miss Frances Willard was presented to the Fort Wayne High school auditorium by the convention, and Mrs. Parsons, of Marion, and Mrs. Welty, of Fort Wayne, were appointed to make the presentation.

Mr. Henry M. Williams, of Fort Wayne, made a donation of \$25 to the State W. C. T. U. through the executive committee. It was received with a hearty vote of appreciation.

Mrs. Stanley's address on the work of the state and of her experience during the year was of greatest interest to all.

Mrs. McWhirter spoke on "Legislation," saying that the State W. C. T. U. will this year work for state-wide prohibition by constitutional amendment, and for municipal suffrage for women. This by act of the Legislature.

Mr. N. W. Bloom, of Fort Wayne, who gave so much of his valuable time and services to the entertainment of the delegates, was sent for by President Vayhinger, that he might be introduced to the convention. Mr. Bloom graciously responded, and spoke most heartily and appreciatively of the W. C. T. U. and its influence.

When we heard the strong splendid words of encouragement from Mr. Bloom then we could better understand how such a stupendous work was being done by the entertainment committee of which Mrs. Bloom was chairman.

Delegates to the National W. C. T. U. convention, to be held November 12-17, in Baltimore, were appointed: Mrs. Martha Willard Ridenour, of this city, who was general chairman of the convention committee, was named as delegate-at-large. Others are as follows:

Mrs. Emily McIntosh, Fort Wayne; Mrs. O. V. Graham, Fremont; Mrs. Lizzie Grisse, Ballac; Mrs. Elizabeth Conklin, Liberty; Mrs. Rose Jamison, Madison; Mrs. Anna Wallace, Muncie; Mrs. H. C. Foote, Huntington; Mrs. Sarah Lenfesty, Marion; Mrs. Nettie Ware, Fairmont; Mrs. Anna Stockton, Kokomo; Mrs. Mary Jenner, Evansville; Mrs. Alice Redman, Columbus; Mrs. Anna Jones, New Albany; Mrs. Emma Garver, Goshen; Mrs. Isabella Budge, Lafayette; Mrs. Samuel R. Artman, Indianapolis.

Each delegate represents 500 paid members. Grant county, with over 1,000 members, sends Mrs. Lenfesty and Mrs. Ware. Marion county with over 500 members sends Mrs. Artman.

One hundred and thirty automobiles were promised for the use of the convention in seeing Fort Wayne, Tuesday, but the saloon men sent word to the garage men that their machines would be "fixed" if they took them out, so only eleven appeared at the church, so only a small part got the ride. After two machines had gone, some men came along and one threw a beer bottle right on the corner of the church door. Mr. Bloom scraped the broken glass into the gutter with his foot. Oh, how the saloon men hate us, and what would they not do against us if they dared.

Grant county, with twice as many delegates as any other county, was seated in the center of the church, and during the sessions were frequently heard from in a significant rally cry or encouraging slogan. With their valiant leader, Mrs. Gulia Shugart, the Grant county women are a mighty power in Indiana. No member of the Legislature from Grant county will refuse a request made by the Grant county W. C. T. U. The unions of that county have worked so hard that they have won nearly two-thirds of the pennants this year.

The Marion county younger women, headed by Mrs. Stella King, gave a rally cry with a prophesy quite to the point in answer to Grant, very much to the amusement of the delegations, with such a fine spirit of rivalry we will expect good results.

L. T. L. songs and drill by more than 100 children was an interesting feature of one session.

Carl and Ivan Welty sang a duet, piano accompaniment by Viola Welty, a young sister.

Resolutions Committee.

Miss Laura Cammack, Mrs. E. G. Ritchie, Mrs. Hattie Shepherd, Mrs. S. E. Thomas, Mrs. N. W. Bloom, Mrs. H. C. Forte, Miss Rebecca Trueblood and Mrs. F. B. Perkins.

If you are interested in the advanced movement for race improvement, and want to know what is declared by leaders in this world-wide Eugenics movement to be the most practical propaganda on Purity lines for Intelligent Parenthood, send at once for the new catalogue of the Correspondence School of Gospel and Scientific Eugenics. Reader, this means you. Don't delay. Address Mrs. Mary E. Teats, 3241 Vernon Ave., Chicago, Ill.

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Mrs. Hannah Willenour of Pleasant Lake received the ten dollars in gold offered (as per March issue of The Message) to the person sending the greatest number of subscriptions to the Union Signal, that were credited to the state superintendent of National papers.

Never before have the newspaper people been so generous to our convention as at Fort Wayne. Through the untiring efforts of Mrs. Kinsey for the press, great results will follow. Seldom has any convention at any time been more correctly and fairly reported than was our state convention by the representatives of the Fort Wayne press.

Contrary to usage, the National convention at Baltimore will begin on Saturday (November 12) instead of on Friday. This change was made necessary in order to avoid paying a large additional rental for the opera house. On the certificate plan, each person securing a certificate at the time of buying a ticket, the fare from Indianapolis will be fifteen dollars going and nine dollars for return. All delegates to the convention are to report to The Lyric upon arrival. The members of the executive committee are expected to report Thursday morning and the delegates on Friday evening, when places of entertainment will be assigned. The Lyric Theatre is but a few blocks from the Union station, (Pennsylvania railroad), and the Mount Royal station, (Baltimore & Ohio). Entertainment includes lodging and breakfast and meals on Sunday.

FORT WAYNE, WHAT NEXT?

We could not have had such a splendid convention without the ardent work of the unions in their county conventions. The ladies of Fort Wayne planned well, the officers did their best, but the credit of the enthusiasm and well ordered aggressiveness of the state is largely due to the great rank and file of women who were not at the convention.

Our work must continue. The convention at best can be only an incident in our onward march. We must set for our goal the complete extermination of the liquor traffic.

State wide prohibition will be our demand at the hands of the incoming legislature. A majority of more than 70,000 of the voters of the state are with us in heart, and have expressed themselves at local option elections as against the saloon. These brave men are no less opposed to the saloon now. They have been, some of them, confused by the political friends of the liquor traffic, but when once right on a moral issue, the stimulus to repeat a right action will be less difficult. The liquor traffic is a political issue, as it has not been within the history of our state. From the supreme bench to the legislative candidates the people are alert. Let us bend every energy in electing friends of temperance, regardless of party.

After the election the legislature must hear from the people. Ask largely, ask for state-wide prohibition. Press the issue strongly enough and the traffic will not have time or opportunity to ask for modification or repeal of the local option law. If we are not up and doing, a bold assault will be made on existing laws and the legislature will be in the hands, we fear, of such men as Fleming, Taggart, Crawford, Fairbanks, Lieber and the crowd of liquor lobbyists. Let us plan a strong determined fight for state-wide prohibition.

OBJECT PICTURES.

The Fort Wayne stores were generous in their decorations, setting out the character of the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

Our departments were represented for illustration in one of the stores. "Anti-Cigarette" with skull and cross-bones, underneath which was the placard "Department W. C. T. U." Another window had a form lady with children about, receiving instructions in the "Loyal Temperance Legion."

While pennants with the words "Welcome, W. C. T. U." were profusely used in business places.

A photographer took photographs of ten of the store windows which represented our departments. This photographer has made card prints which may be secured at five cents each by addressing Mr. N. P. Standish, 828 Calhoun St., Fort Wayne, Ind., enclosing amount in postage stamps. Our secretary, Miss Woodard says the pictures are fine.

EARLY WORK.

If our local unions will begin now, the winter months will yield a large harvest of good results. Plan medal contests and public meetings; secure, if possible, at least two public meetings before the holidays. There are always bright young people who will be glad to join with song and recitation. A program should be soon well under way. This state ought to have 10,000 members by next convention date. Let us all pull for 10,000 by making an early start.

PERSONAL.

It was with doubt as to the safety of the trip that I was permitted to attend the state convention. Mr. McWhirter left about the same time for Chicago to attend a meeting of the National Prohibition Executive Committee. Saturday evening he felt uneasy and hastened to Fort Wayne.

Delay in returning seemed dangerous and Sunday morning he brought me and our daughter, Mrs. Wise, home. With the immediate conference of two physicians and prompt attention, I am now, after a week's severe suffering from congestion, just able to get out this issue of the Message. If important items of the convention have been overlooked or mention has not been made of incidents which should have been noted, I shall be thankful to any friend to write me, so that it shall appear in the next issue.—Luella McWhirter.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The Sabbath Observance Department reports progress—some new features have been introduced and we believe that there is an increased interest. Many new ideas have been brought out this year by the different superintendents, and much practical work has been done.

At LaPorte a prize was offered to school children for writing the best composition on Sabbath Observance. This is said to have inspired much interest, and greatly improved Sabbath sentiment in that city. This union also had a specialist on the Sabbath question speak to the Sunday school children. Another good feature introduced by them was to place 300 pages of Sabbath literature in Italian homes. At South Bend we have put 550 little mottoes in the homes of the people and a number of offices. We have had 4,000 Sabbath Observation post cards printed, many of which are in circulation. We have been trying to get these mottoes, post cards, and literature into the homes of people who do not get this teaching in the church and Sunday school. Aside from the 300 pages of Sabbath literature already reported as having been placed in Italian homes, 570 pages were distributed among the Poles at South Bend and 20 pledges have been signed by them; 400 pages were distributed at St. Patrick's parochial school where the teachers are very friendly to our cause, and 1,162 pages were given out at the colored Sabbath schools.

We have made a gain of 39 superintendents above all losses, over last year and a letter received a few days since from my National superintendent tells me that we have again won the national pennant.

The itemized report is as follows:

Number of County and Local Superintendents	172
Number of Co. and local Supts.	172
Pages of Sabbath literature distributed	163,636
Sermons preached upon this subject	335
Signatures to Sabbath Observation pledge	730
Prayer meetings held	31
Copies of State Sabbath laws circulated	6,657
Public meetings held	78
Call to prayer leaflets circulated	3,200
S. S. and L. T. Ls. addressed	154
Talks given	43
Articles to the press	11
Sabbath Observation mottoes placed in homes and offices	550
Sabbath Observation post cards placed in circulation	2,500
My pennant goes to St. Joseph county.—Kathryn W. Holler, State Superintendent.	

WIFE OF GOVERNOR MANN OF VIRGINIA
SERVES NO WINE.

To be a wife of the Governor of Virginia is an honor which appeals to every loyal daughter of the Old Dominion, and the present first lady of that historic territory prizes it above all the good things which have come into her rather happy life. Mrs. Mann may be classed among the

truly womanly of her sex, but one who has always taken her obligations to her home and its environment as something which required conscientious thought. From her earliest girlhood she has been an uncompromising enemy of alcohol in all its forms, and her regime in the White House of Richmond marks an epoch as did the reign of Mrs. Rutherford B. Hayes in the White House of Washington. She disclaims being hampered by tradition, and she believes that a more generous, elegant and adequate hospitality can be dispensed from the historic home of the chief executives of Old Virginia with all alcoholic beverages eliminated from the menu than with them.

Referring to the temperance reform Mrs. Mann said: "I am unalterably pledged to this propaganda, and I wish all the women who desire the good of their country and their immediate surroundings would look into the matter."

"Women have been the reformers in so many essentials that if they used a concerted effort in this, they could not fail of success. I am for prohibition, state-wide temperance, union-wide temperance, and that seems to me the only remedy. I rejoice that the South is so far in advance of other states in the Union in this respect. We have certainly struck the warning note, and the result is gradually permeating the land.—Indianapolis Star.

"BABY KILLERS."

Here is a list which the United States government chemists and experts designate as "Baby Killers."

Do not under any circumstances, if you value your child's life, use any of these preparations:

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Sirup (morphine sulphate.)

Children's Comfort (morphine sulphate.)

Dr. Fahey's Pepsin Anodyne Compound (morphine sulphate.)

Dr. Fahrney's Teething Syrup (morphine and chloroform.)

Dr. Fowler's Strawberry and Peppermint Mixture (morphine.)

Dr. Groves' Anodyne for Infants (morphine sulphate.)

Hooper's Anodyne, the Infant's Friend (morphine hydrochloride.)

Dr. James' Soothing Syrup (heroin.)

Jadway's Elixir for Infants (codein.)

Koepp's Baby Friend (morphine sulphate.)

Dr. Miller's Anodyne for Babies (morphine sulphate and chloral hydrate.)

Dr. Moffet's Teething Powders (powdered opium.)

Victor Infant Relief (chloroform and cannabis indica.)

Florida liquor sellers are badly scared. The state-wide Prohibition campaign is on in earnest. Tons of Prohibition literature are being distributed. Thousands of buttons advocating a "dry" vote are being worn by the boys and girls. Three-fourths of the state is already no-license, and the victory of Senator-elect Broward, himself a fearless champion of Prohibition, despite liquor and corporation slush funds in the cities, is considered a good omen.

Field News

SPENCER W. C. T. U. had a successful public represented the "Dry" and "Wet" counties by seven young ladies and four young men, with other readings and recitations by girls and boys, songs by little people. The program consisted of young people entirely, and was much appreciated by a very large and enthusiastic audience. Later this program was given by these same young people at a country church three miles away with good results.

LAWRENCE COUNTY.—The Oolitic W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. Yaske, Tuesday afternoon, September 27th, and enjoyed a very enthusiastic parlor meeting. After the devotional, the business was taken up by the president. Mrs. Lizzie McClellan was selected as delegate to the state convention, with Mrs. O. W. Gobat alternate. Plans were discussed for a big Sunday school temperance day on the world's Temperance Sunday. A reception for our teachers was announced for October 11th at the home of Miss Grace Fanner.

Our treasurer reports a gain of eight new members in the last quarter.

Light refreshments were served by Mrs. Yaske, assisted by Mrs. G. W. Inman.—Mrs. C. L. Fish.

BRIGHT.—The September meeting of the W. C. T. U. of Bright was held in the Christian church. After the opening exercises the following officers were elected for the coming year: For president, Mrs. Tillie Heiskell; treasurer and corresponding secretary, Mrs. Flora Sykes; recording secretary, Miss Lulu Liddle; organist, Miss Alta Bonham. Miss Bonham was elected delegate to the state convention at Fort Wayne. Our former president, Mrs. Hattie McKinstry, of Cincinnati, gave a very interesting and instructive talk on "Temperance Work."—Mrs. Sadie Bonham, Harrison, Ohio, R. R. No. 6.

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THE BRAZIL W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. Wm. Rush on Tuesday afternoon, when the following officers were installed for the year: Mrs. Lucretia Knight, president; Mrs. Anna Wilkins, vice president; Mrs. Ella Kessel, corresponding secretary; Mrs. May Hoffman, recording secretary; Mrs. Ella Falls, treasurer; Mrs. Jessie Robson, pianist.

The president then selected the church vice presidents, music committee, program committee, and superintendents of departments. The response at roll call brought forth many interesting "Temperance Echoes."—Mrs. Mary B. Krider, Press Superintendent.

THE SEYMORE W. C. T. U. met September 14th with Mrs. Frank Lockmeyer, and elected officers for the year as follows: President, Mrs. R. R. Short, Rockford; vice president-at-large, Mrs. M. E. Baker, Seymour; recording secretary, Mrs. Howard Brown; corresponding secretary, Mrs. E. McKinney; treasurer, Mrs. W. S. Wylie. A good attendance.

CROWN POINT.—At the annual election of officers the following were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Marie Ross, president; Cora Knight, vice president; Frances Banks, corresponding secretary; Elizabeth Glover, recording secretary, and Mrs. Frances Kilborn, treasurer.—Mrs. Cora Knight, Cor. Sec. pro tem.

THE ANNUAL CONVENTION of the Jay County Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held at Portland, September 16th. The following officers were chosen: President, Mrs. Nettie Stovenour, Portland; recording secretary, Mrs. Hannah Andrews, Redkey; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. T. Gilum, Redkey; treasurer, Mrs. Elizabeth Snow, Dunkirk. The convention was well attended. The majority of the department superintendents showed excellent reports of work done. Many interesting and helpful points were brought out and enthusiasm for the coming year's work was gained.—G. Q. C. Press Supt.

LIBERTY.—Farewell Reception.—The members of the local W. C. T. U. tendered a reception August 22, at the home of Mrs. Miles Lafuze, to Mrs. Laura Eaton, who served so faithfully for so many years as secretary of the organization, and who goes to Lafayette to make her future home, and where her son, George, will enter Purdue University. As a token of the union's esteem, a beautiful white ribbon W. C. T. U. pin was presented Mrs. Eaton. Mrs. Elizabeth T. Stanley, in well-chosen words, presenting it, and was accepted in appropriate response by Mrs. Eaton.

Light refreshments were served.

The business feature of the meeting was the annual election of officers, which resulted in the election of the following named persons to serve for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. T. C. Records; vice president, Mrs. Scott Phenix; recording secretary, Mrs. C. W. Stivers; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Clara Egan; treasurer, Mrs. C. P. Conklin.—Mrs. C. W. Stivers, Press. Supt.

THE VAN BUREN W. C. T. U. held a very interesting meeting September 21st at the home of Mrs. Van Shimps. Roll call and answers by scripture quotations. The subject for the afternoon was "Household Economy." There were a number of papers read on the subject, one by Mrs. Jones entitled "Food Evolution," another by Mrs. Lvtle, "The Household Economy." One by Mrs. Howard, "A Reasonable Cure." The subject is a good one, and the members lost no time in discussing it. We then had a beautiful solo by Mrs. Tony. The president and superintendent gave their reports for the past year. Officers were elected for the coming year, and delegates elected to the state convention. We have forty-two paid-up members.—Mrs. L. F. Mathis, Press Supt.

PRINCETON UNION elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Eva Carithers; vice president, Mrs. S. J. Simpson; recording secretary, Mrs. Lizzie Medcalf; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Mollie Burchfield; treasurer, Mrs. Sadie McGregor.

GIBSON COUNTY met in convention at Princeton September 15th in the First Baptist church. Superintendents gave reports after which the following officers were elected: Mrs. Lizze Pfohl, president; Mrs. M. C. Stormont, recording secretary; Mrs. Clara Borah, correspondent secretary; Miss Mary Burchfield, treasurer.—Katherine Youngman, Co. Press Supt.

INDIANAPOLIS, NORTHEAST, W. C. T. U. held the annual election of officers September 9th, at the home of Mrs. Sarah Smith, 1605 Cornell avenue, with the following results: President, Mrs. Cora Harper; vice president, Mrs. Mary Ross; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Cora Patton; recording secretary, Mrs. Lizzie Hockett; treasurer, Mrs. Mace. The second September meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Virginia Hadden, 214 S. Sherman Drive. Number of members present, 19; visitors, 4. Mrs. Quinn gave a recitation. Mrs. Hale furnished the music. September 30th gave a luncheon at the home of Mrs. Sarah A'dridge, 1612 Cornell avenue. A fine program was rendered, consisting of music and recitations. On the evening of October 10, held a silver medal contest at the Hillside avenue Christian church. There was a class of seven, five boys and two girls. Mrs. Frank Lee's little son won the medal. The musical program, under direction of Mr. Gilmour, was a success.

STINESVILLE Union was pleasantly entertained at the home of Mrs. Pugh, for the last

business meeting of the year. The president, Mrs. Welch, in the chair. Song, "Bringing in the Sheaves." Prayer by the union. Review of the year's work by the president, followed by the election of officers, as follows: President, Mrs. Welch; vice president, Mrs. Stigleman; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Lillian Letten; recording secretary, Mrs. Greyn; treasurer, Mrs. Hoadley. Then followed election of delegates to the state convention, which were Mrs. Welch, Mrs. John Easton and Mrs. Florence Litten.

EVERTON W. C. T. U., Lafayette county, have been having a feast of good things, and are happy. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley was with us Saturday night and Sunday, October 8-9, and gave three matchless temperance addresses, in her usual happy style. Sunday, October 9th was the 29th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Will Lake, (the latter is our vice president), which was observed by entertaining at dinner Mr. and Mrs. Stanley and a number of other friends. In behalf of the ladies present, Mrs. Stanley, in a few well-chosen words, presented Mrs. Lake with a gift, a token of appreciation for enjoyment of the occasion. All attended the afternoon meeting and ten new members were received. The October meeting was held on the afternoon of October 12th at Vallen Mound farm home of Mrs. Brumfiel, and was a reception to the new members. President Mrs. Clara Lake presided. The papers "Influence of a Christian Home" by Mrs. Brumfiel, and "What Does the Average Boy Demand of His Home" by Mrs. Sadie Neff, were interesting, instructive and well received. General discussion. One more new member added to our roll. Mrs. Cora Jerman read an account of "Life and Work of National President, Mrs. Lillian U. N. Stevens." Benediction. Refreshments of fruit, cake and coffee were served. The November meeting will be held the second Wednesday evening at Everton M. E. church.—Mrs. Annie Trusler Brumfiel, Press Supt., P. O. Box 49, Connersville, Ind.

BERNE, ADAMS COUNTY.—On the evening of September 19th the state organizer, Mrs. S. M. Stahl, of Hartford City, met with us at the Evangelical church, for the purpose of organizing a local union at this place. We were led in prayer by Rev. C. P. Maas, pastor of the Evangelical church, after which a male quartette of the Menonite church favored us with a selection in song.

Mrs. Stahl then gave us a very able and inspiring address in which she depicted the needs of work to be done for the great temperance cause, and she showed us clearly the great good the unions all over the world have done.

We decided to organize a union in our town, and as we had eighty-nine names for active members, we felt we might go ahead. The election of officers was as follows: President, Mrs. L. Yager; vice president, Mrs. B. F. Sprunger; recording secretary, Flora Mae Neaderhauser; corresponding secretary, Inda Sprunger; treasurer, Martha Gilum. Since that time our union has increased to one hundred and two active members (all paid up), and fourteen honorary members. We are pleased with our union, and expect great good to result from it.—Yours in His name.—Ada Wittwer.

GRANT COUNTY'S thirtieth annual convention was held at Jonesboro, October 6-7. Despite a steady down-pour of rain the first forenoon, nineteen of the twenty-six unions were represented. The delegates came from all over the county, by buggy, by rail, and on foot. There were a few bedraggled skirts, but they were here. Everybody was jubilant over the fact that the coveted gain in membership had been reached, making the county's enrollment of paid-up members one thousand and thirty-six. That earnest, consecrated work had been done during the year was shown by the excellent reports read by the county superintendents.

Mrs. Viola McConnel, of Gas City, county superintendent of the Flower Mission, read a fine report, a part of which follows: Bouquets and other floral gifts, 2,324; text cards given out, 1,388; pages of Flower Mission literature distributed, 1,835; visits to sick, 4,146; drives and other outings, 64. Sixty-one bushels of fruit and vegetables were given to poor. Fourteen mission meetings were held, and \$201.71 given out. The press department reported 263 feet of W. C. T. U. news published in the newspapers of the county during the year.

The officers were all re-elected. Under the same management and leadership that has brought success thus far, the workers start out for another thousand members. Our sainted leader's "do everything" policy will be the means used.

A W. C. T. U. headquarters was maintained at the county fair at Marion, which proved to be an effective way of getting our principles before the people. The board of directors of the Fair Association was so well pleased with the "Rest room" that they wish it to be made a permanent feature.

THE MANVILLE W. C. T. U. held a very interesting meeting at the home of Mrs. Geo. Lanham, Tuesday, October 10th, with a good attendance of workers. After the superintendents of the several departments gave their reports, a very interesting program was carried out.—L. M. L., Press Supt.

MARION COUNTY.—The annual convention of the Marion county W. C. T. U. was held September 20th and 21st at Hall Place M. E. church.

Dr. Martha E. Keller, vice president in the chair. Mrs. Artman, county president, was unable to be with us because of the serious illness of her husband. After the regular order of business was disposed of the pastor of the church, Rev. John Ragle, gave the address of welcome. Response was made by Mrs. Dotia Daugherty.

Mrs. Luella McWhirter made an excellent address in the time allowed for annual address of county presidents. Her plea was well received, that practical, definite work be undertaken by each union and carried on to completion.

During the afternoon session, Dr. J. N. Hurty gave a very instructive talk on "Health and Temperance." He urged that children be instructed in all that pertains to their physical health before they are 9 years of age. Dr. Hurty also urged that children be supplied with plenty of fresh air, sunshine and plain, wholesome food. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. S. R. Artman; vice president, Dr. Martha E. Keller; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Nettie Cohea; recording secretary, Mrs. Nina Masters; treasurer, Mrs. Lizzie Heath; L. T. L. secretary, Mrs. Mary McDermid.

Evening Session.—Marion's gold medal contest was as follows: Mrs. Louella McKain, subject, "United Action;" Mrs. Nina Burns, "A Plea for the Children;" Mrs. Cora Harper, "Baptized in Blood;" Mrs. Alice Boyd, "How We raised \$10,000;" Mrs. Virginia Hadden, "The Resubmissionist Story." Mrs. Hadden won the medal. A pleasing feature of the program was special music arranged by Mrs. Coe Brennan.

Second Day.—The report by Mrs. Amanda Whitson of the World's W. C. T. U. held at Glasgow, Scotland, was so well given one could almost feel the enthusiasm and interest manifested in that great gathering. Dr. Martha Keller's paper "The Christ Christianity Exemplified in Daily Life" was crowded out for lack of time. An impressive memorial service was conducted by Mrs. Martha L. Gipe.

Judge George W. Stubbs of the Juvenile Court, gave a number of instances of neglect, brutal treatment and desertion, caused almost entirely by the use of intoxicants. Rev. Geo. B. McKee gave an address on "Equal Suffrage," which was well received. A pleasing incident was the presentation of the little granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. T. McWhirter, little Alma Jane McWhirter, whose name was placed on the cradle roll, and she consecrated to the temperance cause. Miss Pearl Dutch sang sweetly, "If I Only Had a Home, Sweet Home."

The following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, The messenger boys of this city are compelled to go errands in the red-light districts and other places of immoral character; and

Whereas, Such influences are corrupting beyond doubt; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the W. C. T. U., co-operate with all forces for the better protection of the youth of our city.

Another resolution was that an appeal be made to the coming legislature that, in the interest of the general health of the state, the appropriation to the State Board of Health be increased. A resolution was also adopted opposing child labor.

There were ninety-eight delegates in attendance. This enthusiastic, successful convention was a fitting close to a year of faithful effort on the part of our county president and her co-workers.—Ella D. Oakes, Co. Press Supt.

WELLS COUNTY.—Convention was held in Liberty Center, September 28th and 29th. The convention opened with County President Willis in the chair. After impressive devotional exercises conducted by Mrs. Josephine Merriman, president of the Liberty Center Union, there was an address by Rev. Barclay, of the Methodist church, and a response by Mrs. Willis.

Reports from county officers were read and accepted, also reports from the presidents of the different unions and from superintendents of the various departments. We find by these reports that Wells county W. C. T. U. workers are very much alive, making good progress, and doing faithful work along the many lines they have taken up. There are thirteen unions in Wells county, aggregating over 280 members. A newly organized union at Zanesville starts out with seventy-six members—the largest union in the county. We shall expect to hear of them accomplishing much, with such a good beginning.

Mrs. Vayhinger, state president, could not be with us until evening of the first day. A delegation of about seventy-five white ribboners met her at the 5:19 car, then marched through the principal streets of the town and back to the church, where supper was waiting.

At the evening session Mrs. Vayhinger delivered a most excellent illustrated lecture to an appreciative audience.

Thursday morning the state president led the devotionals. The business routine was enlivened occasionally by varied entertaining numbers on the program. We were favored with an address by Rev. Tidrick of the Baptist church. Readings were given by Mrs. D. T. Smith, Miss Mary Sliger and Mrs. Flo. Carroll. Mrs. Vayhinger gave a talk on the "White Slave Trade." There was a flag song by the school children, a solo by Center Ladies' quartette sang "The Prohibition Chariot" and were greeted with so much applause that they then sang "Keep the Ball a Rolling." The next day the state president asked that "The Prohibition Chariot" might roll by again, and also gave the quartette an invitation to sing at the state convention. Another de-

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Highful feature was a recitation and two songs by little Glenn Speece, who is only four years old.

A short memorial service for the departed sisters, who have gone to a higher and larger union, was conducted by Mrs. Jennie Bickel, and closed with prayer and singing softly one verse of "Blest Be the Tie that Binds."

Also letters of condolence were voted to be sent to those whose homes were darkened by the terrible catastrophe which occurred near Kingsland, September 21st, and in which forty-one happy, joyous pleasure seekers lost their lives almost instantly in an interurban wreck.

Mrs. Vayhinger conducted the election of officers, eighty voting delegates being present, which resulted as follows: President, Mrs. E. A. Willis; vice president, Mrs. O. E. Haegler; corresponding secretary, Mrs. E. A. Ellingham; recording secretary, Mrs. D. T. Smith; treasurer, Mrs. Fannie Garrett; L. T. L. secretary, Mrs. Ella Bennett.

Nearly all the little folks present were made members, decorated with the white ribbon and given the Chautauqua salute, during which the state president remarked that if Roosevelt were here he would not be alarmed about race suicide at Liberty Center. A rising vote of thanks was given to one of our loyal merchants, C. S. Hart, who so kindly donated a bolt of white ribbon and offered more, should we need it.

A sum of fifty dollars was voted to defray the expenses of the county president and her officers during the coming year.

The ladies of the local union did their utmost to welcome and entertain their guests during the two days' session.

Warm dinners and suppers were served in the basement of the church, with an abundance of good things to eat, and they were eaten.

The convention was very satisfactory, one of the best ever held in the county, fresh enthusiasm being awakened that will help us all during the coming year.

In fact we can say with Mrs. Willis, the county president, who, after making a visit to the dining room in the basement, remarked: "We are glad the convention came to Liberty Center for more reasons than one."—Tunie Noe, Reporter.

DEARBORN COUNTY.—The day of the W. C. T. U. county convention, which was held at Guilford, September 21st, dawned bright and beautiful. Twenty ladies of the Bright union attended. County president, Mrs. Maggie Gibson, presided. Mrs. Vest, of Laurenceburg conducted the devotional exercises, after which the reports from the various county officers were given. Moover Hill was the only union not represented. The result of the election of officers was as follows: President, Mrs. Maggie Gibson, of Bright; treasurer, Mrs. De la Williams, of Cold Springs; recording secretary, Mrs. Jennie Ward, of Guilford; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Hattie Jackson, of Bright; L. T. L. secretary, Mrs. Will Ward, of Guilford.

Mrs. Heiskell voiced the noon tide prayer, after which all repaired to the town hall with their lunch boxes. The ladies of Guilford had prepared a surprise of good things to eat, among which were coffee, ice cream and cake. The driver of the Bright wagon, Mr. Sam Young, furnished water melons.

A short program was given by the Guilford union. A song by Mr. and Mrs. Wil Ward and Miss Alta Hausell, recitations by Mrs. Winkley and Mrs. Dickson, after which Father Baron of Yorkville gave a very interesting and instructive address.

RICHMOND.—The Mary Hill W. C. T. U., in August, held an all-day meeting in our beautiful Glen Park, in honor of Mary Hill's birthday, for whom our union was named. We had a very helpful and inspiring meeting with a good attendance.

On the evening of September 9th we entertained our husbands at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Norman. A short program was given. A social hour followed, during which refreshments were served. The motive was to interest the men in our great and glorious cause—the temperance work.

At our annual election of officers the result was as follows: President, Mrs. Ella Toule; vice president, Mrs. Mary Hill; secretary, Mrs. Rose Townsend; treasurer, Mrs. Elizabeth Norman.

Delegates to state convention: Mrs. Ella Toule, Mrs. Martha Moyer and Mrs. Elizabeth Norman.

THE HUNTINGTON COUNTY W. C. T. U. convention was held in the W. C. T. U. room of and Friday, September 29th and 30th. The convention opened at 2:30 p. m. by County President Mrs. H. C. Foote. The recording secretary being absent, Miss Frances Blatchley, of Warren, was appointed secretary pro tem for the convention. Delegates were present from Huntington, Warren and Roanoke. Most of the afternoon session was devoted to the reports of the local presidents and appointments of committees. Miss Frances Blatchley was appointed to report the convention to The Message and the Union Signal.

Thursday evening's session was held in the Evangelical church, and a very interesting lecture was given by Rev. J. W. Metzner, of Huntington. He spoke nearly an hour on "Slay the Serpent and Free the Child." He compared the serpent to alcohol. He gave several reasons why alcohol is like the serpent and need be slain. He also said that we must stop making alcohol for drinking purposes and tobacco for chewing and smoking purposes. He also gave several points

in favor of local option, mentioning the good it had done for Huntington county.

Friday morning was given over for the report of county officers and reports of committees. Friday afternoon was devoted to the reports of the county superintendents and election of officers. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. H. C. Foote, Huntington; vice president, Mrs. R. Rupert, Roanoke; treasurer, Mrs. O. W. Whitelock, Huntington; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Rhinehart, Huntington; recording secretary, Miss Frances C. B. Blatchley, Warren; secretary of L. T. L. work, Mrs. Henry Roush, Warren; secretary of Young People's branch, Miss Frances Blatchley, Warren; reporter, Miss Frances Blatchley.

The BLACKFORD COUNTY convention convened at the Presbyterian church at Hartford City on Wednesday evening, September 21st. A grand gold medal contest conducted by Mrs. Birt Ritter, county superintendent of contest work, marked the opening of the convention. The contestants were Mrs. Virgil Alexander, of Roll; Mrs. Ritter and Mr. Day, of Hartford City, and Mrs. Myrtle Shull and Rev. Walker, of Montpelier. The medal was won by Rev. George Sheldon, pastor of the Presbyterian church.

The program was interspersed with fine music. Mrs. Bennett, supervisor of music in the Montpelier schools, sang two solos. The quartette of the United Brethren church sang, and the Hartford City Junior orchestra gave several selections.

Thursday morning the meeting was called to order by the county president, Mrs. S. M. Stahl. After the devotional services the secretary read the minutes of the last county meeting. This was followed by appointment of committees and reports of county officers.

After the noon-tide prayer the ladies were invited to the basement of the church, where an elegant dinner was served by the members of the Hartford City union. In the afternoon a very interesting meeting was held.

The following officers for the coming year were elected: President, Mrs. S. M. Stahl; vice president, Mrs. Dr. Harrold; recording secretary, Mrs. Eliza Bugh; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Bessie Robbins; treasurer, Mrs. Rebecca Slater; secretary of L. T. L., Mrs. Mabel Wearly; secretary of Y., Mrs. Sabre Long.

Mrs. Stahl, who has served as county president for many years, then gave her annual address, which was very interesting. She spoke words of encouragement to the white ribboners of the county, and plead with them to push onward and do much work in the future in the great temperance fight for God and Home and Every Land. The convention voted to have a copy of this address published in the local papers.

Mrs. Elizaeth Stanley, our state vice president, gave a very helpful and interesting talk on "Helpful Suggestions to Superintendents of the Different Departments." While speaking on the department of purity she said that the W. C. T. U. was instrumental in bringing about the great work that has been done for the suppression of the White Slave traffic.

This closed the afternoon meeting. Supper was also served in the basement of the church. In the evening Mrs. Stanley delivered a very interesting and instructive lecture.—Forest Andrews, Press Reporter.

OWEN COUNTY.—The sixth annual and greatest convention was held at Gasport, September 30th, in the M. E. church, which was beautifully and artistically decorated. The president, Mrs. Strain, presided, and after devotional services a "Welcome" by Mrs. Notie Fox was responded to by Mrs. Baumgartner, of Spencer.

The department superintendents' reports all showed that aggressive, excellent work had been done during the year. The election of officers as follows: President, Mrs. Bessie Strain; vice president, Mrs. Anna McGlaren; recording secretary, Dora Haltom; corresponding secretary, Tattie Hyden; treasurer, Mrs. Florence Lawson, of Spencer.

A consecration service by Mrs. Alice Wampler was very helpful indeed. Mrs. Johnson, of Jordan Village union, read an interesting paper on the "L. T. L." "Christian Citizenship" was the subject of a good paper by Mrs. Rice. Mrs. Steele of the Carp union, read a helpful paper on "Health and Heredity." A paper on "The Needs of the W. C. T. U. Workers," by Mrs. Mary Wampler, was instructive and will be remembered. "The Mothers' Department" was the subject of a good paper by Mrs. Wall. A parliamentary drill by Mrs. Brice Hoadley was interesting and instructive. The talk on "Railroad Department," by Mrs. Brice Hoadley was interesting, and caused much discussion. Reading by Mrs. Stone and Mrs. Christy were much enjoyed. Especially good music was enjoyed during the convention. An instrumental duet by Mrs. Laymon and Mrs. Dunn of Spencer; an instrumental trio by Mrs. Nellie Wampler, Mrs. Sexson and Miss Sanders; a vocal solo by Mrs. Hyden; a vocal duet by Mrs. Haltom and Miss Teague, and the splendid Ladies quartette, of Gasport, were all much appreciated.

LAPORTE.—This union has had one or more items in each Message during the W. C. T. U. year which closed with the September number. The meetings have been interesting and the work done has been profitable. New members have been added. So it has been a pleasure to write items for our dear old state paper, which we all

love so much. We anxiously await its coming at the beginning of each month.—Mrs. Seth Pease, Press Supt.

THE DELAWARE COUNTY W. C. T. U. convention was held at Eaton, Friday, September 23rd. The four unions were well represented and the reports showed a good financial condition and a constantly increasing membership. The convention was called to order by Mrs. Kate Waller, the president. Mrs. Bell Orr, of Eaton, conducted the devotional. Mrs. Emma Simmons welcomed the delegates, and Mrs. Ella Priddy gave the response. Two new departments were added to the list, physical culture and scientific temperance instruction.

Mrs. Waller gave a review of the work for the past year, and expressed her gratitude to those who co-operated with and assisted her in her work.

The officers elected are: Mrs. Ella Priddy, of Normal City, county president; Mrs. Kate Waller, of Albany, vice president; Mrs. Edith Nuzum, of Normal City, recording secretary; Stella Gissom, of Eaton, corresponding secretary and superintendent of the L. T. L.; treasurer, Mrs. E. E. Elliott.

A bountiful dinner and supper was served in the church by the women of the Eaton union.

The afternoon service began with devotional, by Mrs. Nettie Johnson, of Muncie. Mrs. Stafford of Albany, conducted a memorial in memory of Mrs. Sparr, and Mrs. Stevens of Muncie, sang "Face to Face." The ladies of Normal City gave a parliamentary drill under the leadership of Mrs. Edith Nuzum, superintendent of parliamentary usage.

A number of excellent talks were given. One of the best was by Mrs. Stanley to the school children and teachers, who came in a body.

The Misses Dowden and Reitenour of Albany, sang several duets.

In the evening, Prof. J. S. Rickard, superintendent of the Eaton schools, gave an excellent talk on scientific temperance instruction. Mrs. Stanley followed Prof. Rickard with a brief, but rousing talk such as she always gives.

Four cradle roll babies were presented and Mrs. Stanley tied the white ribbons on the wrist of the fourth.

A beautiful picture of Miss Frances Willard was presented to Mrs. Waller, the retiring president.

The Muncie union received the book of clippings for having the greatest number of feet and inches of clippings. The enrollment showed there were sixty-six members present.—Dora R. Nelson, Supt of Press work.

THE DECATUR county convention was held October 6th at the home of Mrs. Laura Thomson, president of the Greensburg union. On account of the weather the attendance was not large, but the meeting was very interesting and profitable. Good reports were read by the following county superintendents: Mrs. Minerva Galbraith, "Medical Temperance; Mrs. Julia Montgomery, "Temperance Literature;" Mrs. Sarah Hunter, "Sabbath Observance."

The following officers were chosen: President, Miss Mary Gray; vice president, Mrs. Nettie Parker; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Cora McDowell; recording secretary, Mrs. Ella B. Wright; treasurer, Mrs. Ella Stevinson. Lunch and a social time occupied the noon hour.—Mrs. Nettie Parker.

BRIGHTWOOD W. C. T. U. met September 15th with Mrs. Warmick of Station street. It was the annual meeting, and new officers were elected as follows: Mrs. Rash, president; Mrs. Saylor, vice president; Mrs. Kirby, recording secretary; Mrs. Drake treasurer. The roll call shows we have forty-one members, of which twelve are honorary.

Rev. Grannis was with us and gave a talk on "The Education and Improvement of the Public Conscience."

Our next meeting was held at Mrs. Moffits, on Adams street, October 10th.

The delegates to the county convention from our union reported a very pleasant and profitable time. Mrs. Rash, our president, being at the Decatur hospital with typhoid fever, the union remembered her with a post card shower on her birthday, which we hope will be enjoyed.—Mrs. L. Parsley, Press Supt.

Our Promoted Comrades

THE NEWBURGH Union sustained a great loss in the death of Mrs. Mary Effie Vonderscher. She had a deep love for our cause and was a faithful member.

She was promoted to the higher life early Sunday morning, the 9th of October. She was a brave and patient sufferer. "At rest" are sweet words when we think of the body. She was a kind and affectionate mother and true companion. Her pleasant smile and cheerful life were an inspiration to all.

The husband and children have our deepest sympathy. Their loss is her gain. We are mourners with them and a great host of friends. She was laid to rest in beautiful Rose Hill cemetery, Rev. Potter officiating.

Mrs. J. E. FETZER.

STAR CITY Union mourns the loss of one of its most faithful and honored members, Mrs. Sarah M. Dunn.

She was in the crusade at Logansport, Ind., and was a charter member of Star City Union. She had served as treasurer for the last ten years, and a part of that time served as County Treasurer also. She was a faithful willing worker, always interested in the temperance cause, and anxious to see its advancement. She said she wanted the knot of white ribbon pinned on her when she was laid away, and white ribbon twined around her casket. Her daughters and the W. C. T. U. were pleased to follow her directions, and the W. C. T. U. furnished a beautiful floral piece for her funeral and grave. The entire community mourn with her family and the W. C. T. U. We shall miss her, oh so much. But our loss is her gain.

Mrs. ELLEN L. POTTER-ALLEN, Press Supt.

PRESIDENTS urge gain of one paid member this December Quarter

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ECHOES FORT WAYNE CONVENTION.

Mrs. Ella Kroft, state evangelist was in charge of Evangelists' Hour.

Mrs. Carrie Brinkhoff served as assistant Recording Secretary.

Credentials Committee reported 459 voting delegates.

The following resolution was passed and is important:

Resolved:—That we denounce the infamous practice of medical inspection of women in brothels, and appeal to our municipal governments to enforce our state law, and forever stamp out this abomination in Indiana.

A paper known as "The People's Press" of Chicago, was brought to the notice of the convention by Mrs. G. W. Augustine. The following resolution was passed:

Resolved:—That we appeal through our governor, Hon. Thomas R. Marshall, to the post office department at Washington, for the suppression from the United States mails, the publication known as "The People's Press," of Chicago, which we consider a flagrant insult to Christianity everywhere. Moved and carried that a marked copy of this publication, with a letter signed by the president and secretary of the Indiana W. C. T. U. accompany this appeal.

Mrs. Mary A. Moody, presented the following resolution, which was adopted

Whereas, The American Health Association is making an effort to prevail on the United States government for the appointment of a secretary for the conservation of public health;—

Therefore, Be it resolved that we, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana, in convention assembled, do most heartily offer our endorsement and co-operation.

The following resolutions were offered by Mrs. Perkins: "Resolved, that we petition the various fair associations in our state, to permit only those attractions which are clean and wholesome."

"Resolved: That this convention recognizes the growing need of a more careful study of Home Economics, and urge the different unions to study the science of home making, whereby human life can be made happier and better in every way."

A beautiful quilt was presented to the president, Mrs. Vayhinger. Mrs. Van Camp, president of the Ladies' Aid Society of the convention church, was introduced and presented Mrs. Vayhinger with a beautiful bouquet.

Mrs. J. F. Kinsey, chairman of the convention press committee, introduced representatives of the city papers that had been untiring in the efforts to fully report the convention. The Sentinel of Fort Wayne does not publish a liquor ad.

COUNTIES RECEIVING PENNANTS.

AllenInstitute
BentonSocial Meetings
BlackfordPhysical Culture
ElkhartSystematic Giving
FloydEvangelistic, Health and Heredity
GrantPurity, Flower Mission, Medal Contest, Household Economics, Law and Statistics, Scientific Temperance, Instruction Work Among Colored People, Parliamentary Law, Fairs and Open Air Meetings, JeffersonMedical Temperance, Christian Citizenship.
HowardPurity in Literature and Art
LawrenceSunday Schools
MarionMercy, Juvenile Court, Press PutnamLoyal Temperance Legion (Greencastle only union in county.)
St. JosephSabbath Observance
VanderburgY. W. C. T. U.

GRANT COUNTY'S YELL.

No tricks! Best licks!
We're a thousand and thirty-six.
Sky high; we fly
Honor bright. She's all right.
Who's all right?

GRANT COUNTY.

MARION COUNTY'S YELL.

Who thinks we can't
Beat County Grant!
Later you'll see
We'll beat THEE.
Who'll beat THEE?
MARION! MARION!
We'll beat THEE!

BENTON COUNTY'S YELL.

Benton, Benton! dear old Benton.
How we'll work for you
Till every one stands
Firm for White Ribbon True.

INDIANA W. C. T. U.

General Officers.

President—Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, Upland.
Vice President—Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Liberty.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Mary Woodard, Fountain City.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Rose Pearce, Darlington.

Treasurer—Miss Clara M. Sears, Anderson.

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Young People's Branch—Mrs. Elizabeth Haughton, Richmond.

L. T. L. Secretary—Mrs. Ida Mix, Kokomo.

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Law and Statistics—Mrs. Rena Randle, Richmond.

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Summer Assemblies—Miss Mary E. Woodard, Fountain City.

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Work Among Railroad Employees—Mrs. R. P. Cole, Lafayette.

Mercy—Mrs. Nina Murphy, 1219 E. Vermont St., Indianapolis.

Jail and Prison—Mrs. Rebecca Trueblood, Kokomo.

Work Among Soldiers and Sailors—Mrs. Lucy Waldron, Kendallville.

Sabbath Observance—Mrs. Kathryn Wert Hol-ler, South Bend.

Work Among Foreign Speaking People—Miss Della Brown.

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Flower Mission—Mrs. Viola Harvey, Moores-ville.

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LEGAL.

Franchise—Mrs. Ella Falls, Brazil.

Christian Citizenship—Mrs. Gertrude Fulton, Portland.

Legislation and Petition—

General Officers—

The Message wishes for all of its readers a Happy, Jovous Christmas season. The aggressive active Flower Mission workers will send thousands of greetings by card or letter and many substantial remembrances to the aged, the sick and the lonely.

The written letter or note, bears the "personal touch" which means much to a "hungry heart." May God use our nearly eight thousand Indiana White Ribboners as His message bearers this year, as never before.

GENERAL ELECTION RESULTS AND OTHER POLITICAL EVENTS.

The Record of the States on November 8, and Since on the Issue of Prohibition and the Liquor Question.

(Associate dProhibition Press.)

Where the liquor question figured.
Florida—Constitution Prohibition defeated by about 4,000 majority, largely by coerced vote of purchasable negroes at Jacksonville and other points. Hillsboro county, including Tampa, now the largest city of Florida, voted for a dry state by a large margin.

Missouri—Constitutional Prohibition voted down by at least 150,000 majority, more than half of this given by St. Louis, the rest partly by li-cense cities and partly by the vote of locally "dry" counties. One million dollars spent by brewers decided the election.

Oklahoma—Local option and high license substitute for State Prohibition buried by 30,000 ma-jority. Negroes not allowed to vote.

Oregon—Constitutional Prohibition lost by about 15,000, due in large measure to failure of locally "dry" counties to support referendum. Powerful anti-prohibition influence of daily press, led by notorious, but influential Portland Oregon-ian, revealed chief strategy of liquor interests, intimidation.

Utah—State Prohibition, leading issue of the campaign, indefinitely postponed by defeat of friendly candidates. Curious situation—Demo-crats in 1908 opposing Prohibition, this year sup-ported it, while Republicans pledged to Prohibi-tion in 1908, this year fought it with all the treacherous energy at their disposal.

Kansas—Governor Stubbs re-elected by largely reduced vote, due to bitter opposition of liquor dealers in his own party, backed by big brewers of Kansas City, Mo.

Tennessee—Violent Anti-Prohibitionist Patter-son (present governor) Democratic machine, smashed by voters, with the election of a man who is at least pledged to enforce the present state-wide Prohibition law. But the new admin-istration is backed only by a fusion movement, hastily organized, with no intent of permanent ex-istence, which leaves the future of Prohibition very much in doubt beyond the term of the ad-ministration-elect.

County and Local Prohibition and Option Contests
..Arizona—State Prohibition and woman suffrage both defeated in Constitutional convention.

California—Half of remaining license precincts of Los Angeles reported as voting no license.

Delaware—Rural New Castle county, only li-cense territory in State outside of Wilmington, voted to remain wet.

Idaho—Gov. Grady (Rep.) who had declared for state prohibition, defeated for re-election by 1,000 majority, while license vote increased in practically every county of state except Ada.

Illinois—"United Societies" (backed by Chica-go brewers) claimed election of 90 per cent of their endorsed candidates, while attitude of new legislature toward a county Prohibition bill is not yet certain.

Indiana—Democrats, victorious, announce re-peal of county option law at once, which became a political orphan when the Republicans threw overboard all reference to it in their 1910 plat-form.

Iowa—Cummins' Republican crowd wins out, insuring perpetuation of "mulct" infamy for an-other term.

Minnesota—Prospect for passage of county Prohibition law is not bright.

Nebraska—Dahlman, Democratic candidate for governor, and backed by Omaha brewers, decis-ively beaten. Bryan fought him hard. County option said to be certain.

New Mexico—Prohibition defeated in Constitu-tional convention.

North Dakota—Governor John Burke, reputed to be sincere administrator of state prohibition laws, re-elected for third time.

Ohio—Big Democratic victory bodes ill to county-unit law.

Pennsylvania—Anti-Saloon League again fails completely in attempt to secure legislature favor-able to county option law.

Rhode Island—Four more cities vote "wet," leaving only 7 out of 38 which retain no license.

South Carolina—Greenville and county of same name vote out dispensary, and for no license, leaving only four license or dispensary counties out of 42 in the state.

South Dakota—Defeated county-option state law and woman suffrage referendums by large majorities.

Washington Adopted woman suffrage by big vote. Cities of Bellingham and Everett and other smaller towns voted no license. No hope from new legislation of any prohibition legislation.

Wisconsin—Outlook for "county option" ex-ceedingly poor.

LOCAL TREASURER! Redort to December meeting number paid members for December Quarter last year and the number this year

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DECEMBER, 1910.

Arrange for a "State-Wide Prohibition" meeting to be held soon.

Christmas letters written by boys and girls to their elder friends and to their relatives will be the very best Christmas gift.

Municipal Suffrage will be secured this winter for Indiana women if every woman interested will do all that she can to help.

Municipal Suffrage is a good subject for an open meeting of an afternoon or a big evening meeting. A suffrage oratorical contest would be interesting and a great help in many places.

Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevenson, was, re-elected president of the National W. C. T. U. and she immediately selected Miss Anna Gordan for her vice president. The other officers were all re-elected.

The Golden Rule applied to every day life—W. C. T. U. members write your name and address on an envelope and place in it your membership fee—one dollar—and take it to your union meeting for your treasurer. Why not do this and help to make her work easy.

Public Meetings—In no other way is our work so well considered by the people as by public meetings. Some unions faithfully plan for and arrange public meetings as often as once a quarter, some oftener. Such unions are wielding an influence in their communities.

Practical gifts are always appreciated. It is estimated that last year there were more than fifty per cent more household and wearing apparel gifts than the previous year.

Good books, good pictures, educational games and magazines are inexpensive and have real and lasting value.

Help now to make your union's membership one more than it was this quarter last year. Treasurers look up the number who paid this quarter last year and be sure to tell the union at the December meeting; then do not fail to arrange for the collection of dues so you will make a gain of one new paid member this quarter.

Treasurers collect dues faithfully this quarter. Be sure that the number of paid members is increased at least one this quarter.

Wise presidents will ask for the treasurer's report in detail at the first December meeting; then all loyal members present will help the treasurer collect dues if absolutely necessary.

If State-Wide Prohibition is sufficiently urged by its friends this winter, the incoming legislature will be afraid to take any backward steps concerning temperance.

At the December meetings of the unions consider these legislative matters and please be ready to respond to the appeals made by the state superintendent of legislation and general officers.

The local union treasurer who is efficient and wise will have her list of paid members and the unpaid members with her at every union meeting.

At the December meeting of her union every treasurer should have membership list with her and be an early arrival at the meeting, so that she can collect dues or arrange with a neighbor for the collection of some members who live at a distance.

Christian women can not afford to set the example of late Christmas shopping. Children should be urged to make their lists and do their buying on or before the first ten days in December. Night shopping is done at the expense of physical endurance of the clerks.

How silly, how foolish for sensible people to buy useless "gee-gaws and traps" for holiday gifts or to allow their children to do so. In most homes there comes a time when the accumulation of such stuff is annoying and the thrifty housewife is tired of dusting it and giving it room, so it goes into the fire. Good books, good pictures, educational games and mechanical toys, and magazines are inexpensive and have real value.

OFFICIAL.

The following recommendations from the executive committee were adopted by the convention: Moved by Mrs. Mix that any deceased member of the W. C. T. U., active or honorary, may be made a memorial member of the state by payment of ten dollars, the same to be used in organization.

Letters of sympathy were sent to Mrs. Stahl and Judge and Mrs. Artman.

Grant county reported a gain of 236 members for the year, making the county membership 1,036.

Interest on the money received from the sale of Hadley school, to be used during the coming year to keep two Field Secretaries constantly at work in Indiana. Details of this plan to be left to the plan of Work Committee. The plan for electing and paying the railway expenses of the National delegates was discussed and the following adopted:

I.—Each local union to pay through the regular channel to the state treasurer on or before the 15th of September a sum equal to ten cents per member, which shall constitute a fund for traveling expenses of elected delegates to the National Convention and of ex-officio delegates not otherwise provided for.

II.—In the election of delegates, preference shall be given to those who are subscribers to the Union Signal.

III.—Elected delegates whose expenses are thus paid shall be subject to the call of local unions for a report of the convention upon the payment of traveling expenses and entertainment.

A copy of the life of Frances E. Willard was presented to the public library of the city.

A picture of Francis E. Willard was presented to the high school of Ft. Wayne.

Credentials Committee reported 459 voting delegates present.

Memorial service led by Mrs. Nettie Traum of Richmond.

A beautiful little booklet was presented to each delegate by the ladies of Ft. Wayne W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Harriet Steckel made her mother a Memorial member of the state W. C. T. U. by payment of ten dollars. The first member.

Mrs. Laura Thompson sent ten dollars which she wished to be added to the appropriation of the State Superintendent of Franchise.

SOME QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

Qualifications necessary for an L. T. L. leader? Fifty per cent love, equal parts patience, enthusiasm, persistence and knowledge of L. T. L. methods. Mixed thoroughly with a never failing faith in the boys and girls.

How and when to sign the pledge? How? Reverently, publicly and with some fitting exercise. When? Not until it has been memorized and after three months' probationary teaching in the L. T. L. Make the signing of the pledge a religious ceremony.

How to win and hold the boys? Don't preach. Tell them what the railroads, business houses, insurance companies and athletes say about drinking employees. Hang up a punching bag and give the boys a chance at it. Let them practice emergency aids to wounded, drowning and fire-endangered. Keep them busy every moment of the L. T. L. hour.

How interest the parents? Talk to them of their children and the L. T. L. If Johnny gave a bright answer at the L. T. L. tell his mother about it. If Delia is a sweet little singer, tell the father. Prepare special programs and invite the parents.

How secure dues? Make it plain that the membership dues support the work. Tell how the government is supported by the tax payer. L. T. L. dues paying members are tax payers. Make them feel it honorable to "pay their way."

How interest the public? Keep the L. T. L. before the public, through marches, parades, public entertainments, participation in all public holidays and on all public occasions.

How secure a leader? Pray for one, set the children after her, help her to fit herself for the work by giving her one dollar to join the L. T. L. Correspondence Training School, and then help her in the Legion.

INSTITUTES.

Dear Sisters and Co-Workers:—

The year 1910 will soon close and with the opening of 1911 our attention must be given to the making of the plans for the spring institutes. Last year with 47 organized counties we held 43 institutes. This was a good showing, but in the coming year why cannot we have as many institutes as we have organized counties and also enter unorganized counties? We can if all work to this end. Do you ask "What can I do?" My reply is: See that your county falls in line. If all will do this we shall have the best institute season Indiana has ever known. Let me hear from every county president during the month of December telling me that you are planning for an institute, and that you will accept the leader scheduled and will help her in every way. Next month I will write you a longer letter. Wishing you all a very Happy Christmas, I am, lovingly yours—Rose Pearce, State Superintendent Institutes, Darlington, Indiana.

MRS. STANLEY'S NOTE BOOK.

Dear Sisters:—We had a great convention at Ft. Wayne. Let no one try to rival the Ft. Wayne Union as entertainers—if you do, we will never get another invitation—yet Ft. Wayne says, "come again." I went from Ft. Wayne to DeKalb coun-

ty for four days. Our loyal workers there began to hustle at the beginning instead of the end of the year. I inspected the magnificent library donated to the city of Auburn by our good brother, Hon. Chas. Eckhart. He watches every stone that goes into the building and has a prohibition clause in the deed. He has special provision made for a meeting place for the W. C. T. U. Oh, that God would spare him to us until victory comes, and give us another like him in every county of the state. I next visited my good friend, Mrs. Josephine Walmer of Bluffton and heard her charming story of the "World's Convention" at Glasgow, Scotland. Spent the Sabbath in Blackford county at Millgrove; we have a fine Union there and officers are all young ladies. I went to Howard county the following week and added 11 more new members to Hemlock and Kokomo Unions. Thence I was called to Indianapolis by the local Council of Women; had a fine meeting and felt much encouraged to find the "four hundred" in that great city out for municipal suffrage; took dinner with our Major General, Dear Luella F. McWhirter and her family. I came to Connersville on call of our good Prohibition brothers for a Prohibition rally in the Christian church; spent a few days at home with loved ones and went to Hamilton county for two days, and to Spencer, Warrick, Vanderburg and Posey counties for a campaign closing on election day. All this means 47 new members first quarter. Yours for victory.—E. T. S.

FROM THE STATE SECRETARY.

Dear White Ribboners of Indiana:—

When this reaches you the first quarter of 1910-1911 will be well nigh past. Our state convention came unusually late, which gives us a late start for the new year's work, but judging from the many letters that come to my desk, a splendid start has been made. The enthusiasm engendered by our great state convention seems to have spread all over the state, for from every quarter comes the news that "we are starting the year with new interest," or "we already have some new members. Our delegates gave a fine report and we will try to do more active work this year, etc." Yes, dear sisters, we are all going to try to do more active work this year, even those who tried to do all they could last year. We are all going to try to bring our membership up to 10,000 before our next state convention. We can do it, but it will take a steady pull altogether until the 25th of next September, when our year closes. Many unions have already laid plans to increase their membership. The mothers of Indiana must be aroused and brought into our organization. Many have never thought much on this great reform, and are ignorant of the need. Others are busy about things of more or less importance; others are wholly indifferent. These must all be brought to see how the morals of every boy and girl in the state are imperiled by the liquor traffic, and the very life of the nation is threatened by the demon of rum. This is woman's battle for her home and loved ones, and we must bring them into the ranks. When women take the stand they should, men will see their duty more clearly.

Some may feel discouraged over the results of the recent election, but there is no cause for discouragement. Read the story of the abolition movement which finally overthrew slavery, and you will see that history is but repeating itself in the prohibition movement. We are steadily gaining ground although we may seem to be making losses. Our part is to stand for the truth, "and having done all, to stand."

Mrs. Amanda Shedd, president of Marshall county is the first to report a new union. Since state convention she has organized a fine "Y" in her county at Pleasant View.

The new unions organized at Berne September 19 by Mrs. Stahl, has increased to a membership of 122. It has far outgrown its baby clothes and is setting a pace for the older unions that will test their wind. They are getting their work well organized and are brim full of enthusiasm. Several other new unions are in sight, and with the help of the county officers, we will make this a great year in organization.

At the state convention I learned of some new unions that had not been reported to me. I hope this year to have a report of every union organized that I may send them state helps, and in other ways be helpful to them. When anyone organizes a union she should report it to me at once.

Orders for "The Temperance Educational Quarterly," should be sent to Mrs. Edith Smith Davis, Hartford, Wis.

Greetings and congratulations to our enfranchised sisters in the state of Washington. This victory speaks volumes for the chivalry and fair mindedness of the men of that state. We will get the same privilege in Indiana when we women ask for it as though we mean it. Let us do it this coming winter. Yours for 10,000 members.—Mary E. Woodard.

Nashville, Tenn.—(Special)—Wholesale arrests of violators of the liquor laws have been made and there are indications that many joint keepers will shortly be "doing time." Under the decision of the Supreme Court the possession of a federal license is made prima facie evidence of guilt, and this decision is proving an effective weapon in the hands of Davidson county officials.

PLAN OF WORK 1910-1911.

We urge our unions to make a greater effort to raise our active membership this year to 10,000 and to secure such number of honorary members as will equal at least one-fourth of the active membership. Let a campaign for membership be begun at once and continued throughout the year.

Public Meetings.

Every union in the state should hold at least one public meeting per quarter, either contest, mass meetings or lecture, using local talent, as well as employing public speakers.

We also urge local unions to prepare interesting programs or medal contests to be given in unorganized neighborhoods or towns, and at the meeting to distribute literature, and thus prepare the way for organization.

Visiting Committee.

We recommend that unions appoint a visiting committee, to be changed each quarter, whose duty it shall be to do house work, distributing literature, and inviting women to become members of our organization.

Reception to Teachers.

We recommend that each local union give a reception in honor of their teachers, and if possible, to secure their subscriptions to the "Scientific Temperance Quarterly," and "The Crusader Monthly."

Obscene Pictures.

We recommend local unions to co-operate with postal authorities in suppressing obscene pictures on postal cards.

Essay Contest.

We urge local unions to see whether or not the requirements of the Scientific Instruction law are met in our schools, and to arrange at once for essay contests in the high schools, to be governed by the rules given in the plan of work sent out by our national superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction.

Suffrage and Prohibition.

We urge local unions to bring every possible influence to bear on our coming legislature in the interest of state wide prohibition and municipal suffrage for women. Let the legislature be flooded with telegrams, letters and petitions for these measures.

FLOWER MISSION.

Dear Sisters:—It has been an inspiration and a benediction to me to meet face to face with so many of our dear Flower Mission superintendents at Ft. Wayne, who are doing such noble work for the Master in this mission of love. This is certainly a blessed work. To bring hope, comfort and happiness to those in poverty, disease and distress. While we know that a very large per cent comes from the drink curse, let us consecrate ourselves anew to fight this deadly enemy of the home. The Flower Mission embraces many lines of work and there is no community but has work for us to do along some line. This department belongs to all who wear the white ribbon, and superintendents of every other department can use flowers with text cards to some extent, and when all our members appreciate this fact, our whole work will be beautified. The Flower Mission readily adjusts itself to almost every department and often makes possible other lines of work. Let all in this line of work be promptly reported to your local superintendent. There is an old saying that "there are sermons in flowers."

"Your voiceless lips of flowers are living preachers; Each cup a pulpit; every leaf a book."

Let us use every opportunity to bring the uplifting influence of the flowers into all our white ribbon work.

The things you'd say above my bier,
To try to make death seem less drear,
My living soul would best sustain,
Make less its sorrow, and it's pain.

The carriage hired at fancy fee,
Tomorrow morning send to me.
'Twould shorten much the weary way,
My feet must travel every day.

To sum it up: Don't wait till night,
Has lifted, ere you burn a light;
Don't wait for death to crown my brow—
Weep with me, love me, here and now.
Tenderly yours, Viola R. Harvey, State Superintendent, P. O. Box 239, Mooresville, Ind.

HUNDREDS OF WHITE RIBBON ENTHUSIASTS DESCEND UPON BALTIMORE FOR ANNUAL COUNCIL.

Vanguard of Woman's Anti-Drink Army Gathers in City by the Chesapeake and Strongly Urges Co-Ordination of All Temperance Forces for Nation-Wide and World-Wide Advance in Great Reform.

Baltimore, Md.,—(Special Correspondence to the Associated Prohibition Press.)—Hundreds of women gathered in Baltimore on November 12 from every quarter of Columbia's dominions, Canada and British Columbia to represent 300,000 of the rank and file of the W. C. T. U. army. Three thousand Baltimore citizens gathered before a stage filled with white-robed leaders of the "dry reform" to hear Mayor Mahool welcome the visiting hosts in these words:

"I hold the highest respect for dreamers—men and women who have faith enough to go out

and work on theory. But you women, who are not working on theories, but know what you are about and see daily the result of your work, should be admired, and I do so with all my heart."

Co-Ordination of Forces the Keynote For Further Work.

Co-ordination of all the temperance forces of the civilized world, a knitting together of the individual units into one great effort having for its purpose the elimination of alcohol from the face of the earth and a unanimous spirit of enthusiasm was the background which was revealed in the elaborate program outlined for future work. Mighty Business Forces Ally Themselves with Temperance Movement.

Mrs. Stevens in a ringing speech, commented upon the revolution in business sentiment toward the use of alcoholic beverages.

"Mighty forces are contributing to our success. Each day the cable, telegraph, telephone, up-to-date daily newspaper, friendly cartoonist, magazine writer, sermonizer, thoughtful educator, medical expert, scientist, railroad magnate, factory owner, athlete, autoist, and even the aviator, are pointing out total abstinence as the way to health and prosperity. In every civilized land there is an increasing interest in the subject of total abstinence. This sentiment is aroused by those who believe in conservation of the life, health and happiness of the people; by those who are not only interested in the poisonous mosquito and fly, bad water, bad food and bad air, but who likewise believe that alcohol is a poison and its victims more numerous than those of any pestilence.

"Forty-one railroad companies, considering intoxicants a menace to life and property, have officially condemned their use. Among other great business corporations which discriminate against those who use alcoholic beverages are 72 per cent of agriculturists, 79 per cent of manufacturers, and 80 per cent of tradesmen.

W. C. T. U. Spreads Its White Wings Over Many Many Lands.

In far-away India these white ribboners are as busy as they are in England, Canada, or the United States. In Germany they have induced the government to direct the giving of temperance lectures to the sailors aboard the ships of the imperial navy. This was the first time in the history of the navy that any such attempt has been made to reach the jackies in the interest of temperance, and it is claimed that increased sobriety bears witness to the success of the undertaking.

Strikingly typical of this far-reaching influence of the woman's movement, a score of children dressed in costumes of all nations, which had been contributed by the countries which they represented, showed the work that the world movement is accomplishing, and this idea was further carried out by a band of young girls, who took part in the drill, in which Uncle Sam and John Bull held up the world, from the center of which radiated long white ribbons. The girls carried the ribbons representing other nations in which the auxiliaries were established.

Great Growth of This Youthful Organization.

Although only thirtysix years in the fight against King Alcohol, the W. C. T. U. movement has grown into one of the leading factors of temperance reform. It was the W. C. T. U. which induced the authorities to teach in the public schools the harmful influence of alcohol upon the human body and secured the incorporation of temperance lessons in the International Sunday School Series. Shrewd and well-qualified students of reform attribute no small part of the great temperance wave now sweeping the United States to the education of children to the baneful effects of alcoholic drinks. According to its leaders, the W. C. T. U. has, during the last eight years been the determining influence in securing the passage of more than fifty laws of public interest. More than 20,000,000 persons have attached their signatures to W. C. T. U. petitions and this ancient right has been proved by this organization to be a weapon as potent as the ballot in the hands of their brothers. Polygamy, cigarettes and many other kindred evils of the day have been powerfully assailed by this militant host of motherhood during this generation of conflict.

Auxiliary Merger Retained by Decisive Vote.

At the last national convention at Omaha, a resolution was passed merging the Senior Loyal Temperance Legion and the Young Woman's Christian Temperance Union into one organization, in order that young men might be invited to join the movement as well as young women. Although 1,700 members of auxiliaries have petitioned for the repeal of this resolution the Baltimore convention decided that the merger should be retained by the decisive vote of 400 to 43. Noticeable was the complete control of the whirlwind debate on this proposition by the chairman, Miss Gordoa.

One Million Essays from Young People.

An interesting feature of the convention was the awarding of prizes to the winners in a contest in which more than one million young people participated. The winning essays were submitted by John D. Howser of California, H. F. Johnson of Minnesota and Miss Hattie Mayberry of Tennessee.

Mrs. Stevens Defends Her Sex.

Mrs. Stevens said: "We are sometimes told that drinking among women is on the increase and we are likewise told that there is much cigarette smoking among women. In the course of my travels in America, I have never seen a woman with a cigarette in her mouth, except in certain localities in New Mexico, where the surroundings were not at all pleasant to contemplate. I am happy in believing that the women who smoke tobacco in any form are very few in this country."

One Climax of Convention.

The convention struck a powerful chord of inspiration on Demonstration night when twenty Union and Confederate veterans of the Civil War marched out upon the big stage, with a trio of marines bearing Old Glory over the blue and the gray alike. Three thousand good Americans stood reverently while the aged soldiers marched to the tune of "The Star Spangled Banner," their quivering voices thrilling the great crowd until at length patriotic hearts and voices could stand no more and all joined in upon the chorus of America's battle hymn, with a renewed purpose to fight for the day when the flag should cover not a single legalized saloon.

LIQUOR TRAFFIC IN POLITICS THIS FALL.

As proof of the close alliance of both "stand-patters" and "insurgents," and of Republicans and Democrats alike with the liquor traffic the Prohibitionists point to current events, some of the striking developments of recent date including these items:

In Pennsylvania both Democratic and Republican candidates for governor are openly strong liquor men.

In Texas, despite a big majority asking for the submission of Prohibition, the Democratic state machine have forced through the nomination for governor of a rabid friend of the saloon.

In Minnesota the Republicans defeated even a plank favoring a county-option law and nominated an anti-Prohibitionist for Governor.

In Alabama the Democratic politicians have joined hands with the exiled liquor men and declared for the repudiation of Prohibition.

In Florida leading politicians of both parties are opposing the Prohibition referendum.

In New York, Illinois, Missouri, Iowa, Wisconsin, Nebraska and California, the liquor traffic has shown its control of both parties in the fall nominations.

For instance in St. Louis, Otto Stifel, a wealthy brewer, is the acknowledged head and dictator of the Republican party, and Tony Stuever, another brewer, has exactly the same relation to the Democratic party in that city.

The situation in Chicago, Cincinnati, New York, Boston, and every other license city is very similar.

The Maine Republican nullification of Prohibition was at the bottom of their astonishing defeat September 12.

In Oklahoma, Tennessee and Arkansas the Democratic officials are nullifying Prohibition at the dictation of the liquor interests.

In Iowa the Democrats are opposed to Prohibition and the dominant "insurgent" Republicans have as their leader ex-Governor Cummins, the man who invented the infamous mullet law that has nullified the Prohibition law for eighteen years.

In Nebraska the dominant Democratic party machine has just defeated the present Governor Shallenberger for renomination, and put in the field the man picked out by the beer-makers of Omaha.

And what is true in these states reflects similar conditions in almost every other state in the Union.

It is because of these facts that the Prohibition party is this fall making a more aggressive fight in every state than in any other campaign of recent years and confidently expects a large gain in its vote in nearly every case.

Field News

WELLS COUNTY—Department Superintendents appointed were: Medical Temperance and Anti-narcotics, Mrs. S. A. Goodin; Evangelistic, Mrs. A. S. Elzey; Flower Mission, Mrs. Charles Shock; Jail and Prison, Mrs. Sarah Gettle; Literature, Mrs. Rachel Sickler; Press, Mrs. Jennie Bickel; Medal Contest, Mrs. Cora Vintage; Parliamentary Usage, Mrs. D. T. Smith; Sunday Schools, Joanna Marsh; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Botts; Systematic Giving, Mary Sliger; L. T. L., Mrs. Ella Bennet; Y. Secretary, Mrs. E. A. Willis.

DEARBORN COUNTY—Department Superintendents—Christian Citizenship, Rev. W. S. Rader, Aurora; Flower Mission, Miss Mamie Bonham, Harrison, O., R. R. 6; Franchise, Mrs. George Woods, Lawrenceburg, R. R. 1; Literature, Mrs. Jennie Haas, Lawrenceburg; Jail and Prison, Mrs. Robert Hirsh, Lawrenceburg; Mothers Meetings, Mrs. Radie Bain, Moore's Hill; Medal Contest, Mrs. Will Sufferman, Harrison, O., R. R. 5; Medical Temperance, Mrs. Will Ward, Guilford; Press, Mrs. Hattie Jackson, Harrison, O., R. R. 4; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. A. E. Rynerson, Moore's Hill; Scientific Temperance, Mrs. C. H. Davis,

Aurora; Social and Red Letter Days, Mrs. Flora Walker, Cold Springs; L. T. L. Secretary, Mrs. Will Ward; Sunday School, Mrs. G. C. Heiskell, of Bright.—Mrs. Dickson, Guilford, Press Supt.

UNION COUNTY—Department Superintendents—Medical Temperance, Mrs. C. C. Paddock, Mrs. Lucy Gard; Mother's Meetings, Mrs. Chas. Filer; Anti-narcotics, Mrs. Scott Phenix, Mrs. Frank Paddock; Mercy and Help, Mrs. Clara Egan; Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Will Beard, Mrs. B. O. Abernathy; Physical Culture, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley; Franchise, Mrs. Vina Haworth, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Ella Martin, Miss Maggie Finch; Contest, Mrs. Minnie Carson; Literature, Mrs. S. W. Creed, Mrs. John Carson; Flower Mission, Mrs. L. Kennedy, Mrs. D. McQuiney; Press, Mrs. C. W. Stivers; Red Letter Day, Mrs. O. Garrett, Mrs. F. Shock.

THE MADISON W. C. T. U. held a convention echo meeting at their hall on Mulberry street from 8 to 10 p. m. Delegates reporting from the state convention held at Fort Wayne, Mesdames Geo. E. Denny, Rosa Jamison and George Augustine gave their reports. A delightful program was rendered and refreshments of cocoa and cake were served at the close of the meeting. Jefferson county won two pennants, that of Christian Citizenship and Health Heredity and Physical Culture.

Mrs. Jamison, Madison local president, was selected delegate for the national convention at Baltimore.

November 4th and 5th Madison union held a rummage sale, the results of which increased the treasury somewhat.

The result of the election Tuesday, November 8, was what they call a land slide for the democrats and law enforcement men. Votes were cast throughout the county for the man and not the party.

The union held the regular business meeting at the hall on Mulberry street, Tuesday afternoon, November 8, 1910, at 2:30 o'clock, with Mrs. Jamison in the chair. After devotions, "All Around the World" was sung with Mrs. Denny at the piano. "We're Out For Prohibition," was also sung. Report of rummage sale and appointment of vacancies for several department superintendents followed. The L. T. L. and W. C. T. U. are arranging for a lecture course for the winter, the outcome of which is hoped to be good work. The meeting closed with a prayer service for benefit of the election being carried out on that day.—Mary E. Bayless, Press Supt.

JEFFERSON COUNTY—The sixth annual convention of Jefferson county W. C. T. U. was held at Madison at Brigade hall on Mulberry street, with a full program. Rev. E. S. Schumaker of Indianapolis spoke Monday night to an appreciative audience. Subject, "Law Enforcement and Needs in Jefferson County."

Dinner and supper were served each day to delegates and visitors at the hall by the local ladies. Tuesday evening was department demonstration night, which was both instructive and entertaining. Tuesday afternoon the election of county officers took place, but few changes were made, most of them were re-elected.

The city papers were very liberal with their time and space to publish the proceedings of the convention. For which a vote of thanks was extended to each one.—M. E. Bayless, Press Supt.

GRANT COUNTY—White Ribboners are being treated to an elaborate report of the Fort Wayne convention by the fifty-five delegates who attended that great meeting. They brought back an inspiration which is showing itself in renewed efforts for new members and in a determination to do more thorough systematic work this year than ever before.

MRS. GULIE E. SHUGART—County president, called the county executive committee together a few days after the state convention to make plans and to appropriate money for the year's work. Another meeting will be held soon to complete the plans.

MRS. JULIA OVERMAN—County and state superintendent of Medal Contests, has accepted an invitation to take her grand diamond medal contest class to New Castle the first week in September. The class is composed of Grant county young people.

The class held a very successful contest in the First M. E. church in Marion a short time ago. Mr. Ernest Holsinger won the prize.

MRS. EDITH BURRIER, County L. T. L. secretary, is pushing her work in the county. A large senior legion has been organized in North Marion; students of the Normal College are forming another, and two junior legions will be organized in a short time.

Here is a list of some of the work done by Grant county's evangelist, Mrs. Sarah E. Stout, last year. She visited two hundred families, gave thirty Bible readings, led twenty prayer meetings, visited seven unions, distributed 8,379 pages of literature, gave seven bouquets, ten meals to needy, four drives to invalids, fifty garments to poor, ten visits to sick; she wrote fifty letters and forty cards, and took fifty subscriptions for the American Motherhood. She also sold fourteen dollars worth of tags, and she and her worthy husband donated \$65.00 to the work. The goal Mrs. Stout has in view is state and nation wide prohibition.—S. E. Thomas, County Press Supt.

MILL GROVE—Dear Readers of The Message: In a little village called Mill Grove, in old wet

Blackford County, is a band of white ribboners numbering some thirty odd. We can not do very much for this great cause for which we are pledged, but we are doing what we can. We have a few that work, more that do not, and so as to arouse our sleepy ones we had our dear Elizabeth Stanley with us the 22nd and 23rd inst. On Saturday night she gave us that splendid reading, "At the Mercy of the State."

It never fails to sway her audiences. On Sunday morning she occupied the pulpit in the M. E. church, and gave a fine discourse on the same subject. On Sunday afternoon we had a mass meeting at the U. B. church where Mrs. Stanley gave such convincing argument, that all who heard her had to admit she was right.

Oh, dear sisters of the Millgrove Union who shall read this, I take this method to urge you all to attend our meetings better this year than you did in the past year, for "in unity there is strength and we need your help and presence. Yours for success.—Bessie Robbins.

THE EARL PARK UNION is taking up the year's work with much enthusiasm and have added the feature of a social hour with refreshments, to the second meeting of each month. The first social meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Mae Yeager, October 21, and was much enjoyed by the members present. The following officers have been elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. Minnie Barr; 1st vice president, Miss Estella Washburn; 2nd vice president, Mrs. Jessie Wilson; treasurer, Mrs. Mamie Barr; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Elmira Hitze; recording secretary Miss Pearle McKinney.

The work of the fourteen departments has been taken up.

Mrs. Rose Washburn and Mrs. Jessie Wilson were delegates to the state convention at Fort Wayne. Benton county won the pennant for good work in the department of Social and Red Letter Day, of which Mrs. Jessie Wilson is both county and local superintendent.—Mrs. Erma McMahan, Press Superintendent.

ARBA—Resume of the year's work—Meetings held regularly; some have been seasons of blessing and refreshing from the presence of the Lord. Many interesting papers have been read and discussed; some have been published.

The first meeting was given over to reports of the state convention and was inspiring and helpful during the entire year.

Mrs. Mary Sibbitts of Kansas made three excellent addresses; two able addresses by Mrs. Vayhinger, state president. Mrs. Gertrude Fulton held a series of most helpful meetings.

Work for Petitions and Medical Temperance has been fought with good results. The subject of the White Slave Trade has demanded unusual attention by the union.

The Flower Mission work of the union is helpful in many ways. During the year the Male Quartette has ably assisted in the public meetings and many young people have contributed much to the interest of the meetings by readings and music.

The Noblesville W. C. T. U. and the Ministerial Association combined forces and observed Temperance Day, November 13. A ladies' meeting was held in the afternoon and was addressed by Mrs. Retta Jones; music was furnished by six young ladies. Mrs. Jones secured seven new members at this meeting. At the same hour at the First M. E. church a "men's meeting" was held, addressed by Attorney Carl Minton. The music being furnished by the Business Men's Bible Class. At six in the evening a Young People's Union meeting held in the Sunday School room of the Christian church. At 7 the large auditorium was filled ready to greet the large chorus, made up of the choirs of the various churches, as they marched in. The first half of the meeting being in charge of the W. C. T. U., Mrs. Carrie Henderson, president, with a few well chosen words introduced Mrs. Jones.

In her sweet, winsome way, Mrs. Jones soon captured her audience and held their attention while she spoke on the great question of today, "The Liquor Traffic."

Miss Wambaugh, director of music in the schools of this place, sang a beautiful solo, which was highly appreciated.

Rev. Cooper, pastor of the U. B. church, and chairman of the Ministerial Association, introduced Mr. Minton, who spoke on License, and State Wide Prohibition. As Rev. Edwin Gibson, pastor of the Presbyterian church, dismissed the meeting with prayer, we all felt that our work had not been in vain, and with such soldiers in the fight as our noble W. C. T. U. women, and the grand, good men that have stepped over on the side of Right, it will not be long until we shall all attend another mass meeting, not to enlist workers to fight, but to attend the funeral of the "Liquor Traffic."—Lucile Harvey Tutt, Press Supt.

MRS. VANDOIS RASH, the loved president of Brightwood union died recently at the Methodist hospital, of typhoid fever.

The death of Mrs. Rash is a great and serious blow to Marion county. She was an earnest, efficient, persistent and winsome worker in the W. C. T. U. Her comrades were inspired and encouraged by her—she was a woman of rare quality of heart and mind—a natural leader.

Mr. Rash appreciated her ability and sympathized and encouraged her in all her work.

Marion county can ill afford to lose such a woman. The last time she met with her comrades was at the county convention. There she gave a splendid report of the work done by her union and received the applause of the convention. Little was her illness then suspected, so brave and faithful was she. Within the next two days she became very ill and so soon went home to Heaven.

The Van Buren W. C. T. U. held a special meeting with Mrs. William Doyle. The delegates gave reports of the state convention. As it was impossible for them to give all the good things they heard, they just gave us the cream. Our program for the afternoon was on the Sunday School work. There were several good talks which were very helpful. Mrs. E. B. Scott read a paper on Purity in Literature and Art. There was also a paper by Mrs. J. H. Sullivan on "How to Make Temperance Teaching in the Sunday School Helpful and Interesting." Essay by Mrs. L. F. Mathis on the "Duty of the Mother to the Child and to the Sunday School." Mrs. Williams was received into our union as a transferred member. Mrs. Sullivan and Mrs. Doyle served a nice two-course luncheon.—Mrs. L. F. Mathis.

THE ARGOS W. C. T. U. has elected Miss Gladys Hittle, general secretary of the Young People's Branch.

THE NEW CASTLE UNION held a very interesting Mothers' Meeting Nov. 8 at the home of Mrs. Josephine and Ella Richards. Devotional exercises followed by a season of prayer. Mrs. Wenke read a very interesting article, "The Ideal Mother." Mrs. Fisher recited a very touching little poem entitled, "Is There Room for Mary There?" Miss Vogel sang a beautiful solo; also piano solos by Miss Napp and little Edith Richards finished a good program, after which the hostesses served refreshments and a social hour was enjoyed by all.—E. R., Press Supt.

HOWARD COUNTY W. C. T. U. is in the cause to win. In the county convention the reports of the business of the county and department work was one of the best; we are surely starting out for a good year's work. The meeting was at the home of Mrs. Irene Gard; plans for the year's work were made; to visit all unorganized territory, also all unions; our president will take two or more, as she sees best, and arrange public meetings, taking an offering, and if this does not pay car fare or traveling expenses, to draw on the county treasurer for the deficit; this way all will be helpers in the just cause.

Our departments of Sunday School Work, Press' Juvenile Court, Scientific Temperance Instruction, were brought before the session and great good derived from same.

Committees to investigate the work of Juvenile Court, and also the sanitary conditions of all depots, were appointed.

Our new union from Taylor township was well represented and showed a great interest in the work. Greentown, New London, Sycamore, South Kokomo and Kokomo unions were there with great enthusiasm. At the noontide prayer, our president, Mrs. Mix, and our delegate to the National, Mrs. Stockton, were remembered, and a petition most earnest in their behalf, showing Howard county loyalty and love for one another.—Mrs. Irene Gard, County President.

THE TOCSIN W. C. T. U. held a very interesting meeting on Thursday, November 10 at the home of Mrs. Louis Frink. The meeting was presided over by the president, Mrs. Engle. Five new members were added to the union. Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

POSEYVILLE W. C. T. U. held a very interesting meeting at the home of Mrs. Emma Fletcher on Thursday, November 3. The echoes from the state convention were given by the county president. Several visitors were present after instrumental music by Miss Myrtle Fletchall. Dainty refreshments were served.

SOUTH BEND—The ladies of the Pleasant View W. C. T. U. attended a very interesting meeting at the home of Mrs. A. L. Dalrymple, 137 Dimond ave.; the hostess had charge of the devotional exercises, after which followed the appointment of superintendents of different departments of work. Flower Mission, Mrs. VanBuskirk, 1502 Michigan ave.; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Uel, Van Buren St.; Sabbath School, Mrs. Webster, East Navar St.; Medical Temperance, Mrs. D. Augustine, Michigan ave.; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Webster, East Navar St.; Medical Temperance, Mrs. D. Augustine, Michigan ave.; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. L. A. Lydic, Dimond ave.; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Jacob Miller 2304 Michigan ave. Then came the report from the state convention by Mrs. Ralph Smith and Mrs. Van Buskirk, delegates to the convention.

SEYMOUR—W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. Frank Teckemeyer. A good attendance, important business and a very able report of state convention by Mrs. R. R. Short, delegate. The usual social half hour, always a pleasant feature of our W. C. T. U. meetings.

COLD SPRINGS union met at the church, November 2. Interesting reports were given from county and state conventions by Mrs. Della Williams for the county convention at Guilford and Mrs. Flora Walker for the state convention. These reports were very inspiring and most encouraging.

LA PORTE—The delegates to the state convention returned with such full great reports that they could not give all at one meeting. They are much enthused and speak very highly of the convention and of Ft. Wayne hospitality; as one expressed it, "they just did themselves proud," and so they did. This union at its last meeting voted to have a calendar printed for 1910-11.—Mrs. Seth Pease.

EVANSVILLE—The November meeting of the Frances Willard W. C. T. U. was held November 2 at the rest rooms of the union. Our president, Mrs. Davidson being absent, Vice President Mrs. Viet, presided. Mrs. Jenner gave a most interesting account of the state convention. Mrs. Jenner is the state delegate to the national convention and we are expecting inspiring accounts on her return. No doubt many of you heard the paper called the "Peoples' Poiss," or perhaps attended the state convention and heard the discussion there. The Francis Willard union of Evansville is very glad to know that the ladies took action against it and we hope and pray their plan to stop it may meet with glorious success.

THE MULBERRY union observed World's Temperance Sunday, by having the five Sunday Schools of the township furnish some part of the program, and two of our home ministers made short talks on temperance.

An offering was taken at the door, amounting to \$5.93. We are having these meetings every year and every one takes great interest in them.—Mrs. Dana Hoch, Supt. S. S. Work.

ROLL PURITY UNION met at the home of Mrs. Martha Palmer and entertained their husbands and the teachers of the public schools at Roll with about fifty present and a full program was given.

The state convention delegates gave reports of the convention. Lizzie Likley reported the business part of the convention, which was very instructive. Martha Palmer read sketches from the president's address, which were very interesting; the Misses Lelie Kiterman and Haney sang a duet entitled, "Father Knows It All" which was very beautiful and touching. Professor Peterson of the Roll school gave a fine talk on Scientific Temperance, and how it was taught in the public schools; he also paid a very high tribute to the work of the W. C. T. U. by saying that no organization was doing as much to raise the standard for a pure life among the boys and girls as the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

Medical Temperance was the subject of an instructive talk by Dr. Harroll. He appealed to the mothers to stop doping their babies with the various proprietary opiates, as it was destructive to both mind and body.

Miss Steven gave a reading, entitled, "A Message from Heaven."

Sarah Harroll then gave her part of the report. She tried to tell how well we were entertained at the convention and said we were so royally entertained that the half can never be told. She spoke of the way the delegates were sent to visit the school for the feeble minded, which brought a smile over the audience. . .

Refreshments were served.—Sarah Harroll, President.

TIPPECANOE COUNTY—Central Union met at the home of Mrs. Lillian Hall, October 26. A large attendance of members and several visitors. Plans were discussed for the winter work and some benevolent work will be done in connection with the temperance work. A very interesting report of the state convention was given by Mrs. Ella Sweeney which seemed complete. Mrs. R. P. Cole gave the resolutions adopted by the state convention. A social hour was then enjoyed by all.

THE LAFAYETTE UNION held the regular meeting at the home of Miss May Mulford, with President Mrs. A. L. Green in the chair. After the business session, Mrs. May Williams gave a full report of the state convention which was most interesting and of much information to all present.

Mrs. H. H. Budge gave the outlook, gleaned from the state convention. During the social hour three new members were secured.

THE EDGERTON UNION met in the parlors of West Side Baptist church for its annual rally day exercises and the attendance was large. Each member brought one guest. The president, Mrs. J. H. Marquis, and Mrs. Ed Arnett, gave reports from the state convention and an able address was given by Mrs. Allen, matron of the Martha Home. Several musical numbers were given and a social hour enjoyed.

CHRYSOLITE UNION met in regular session Nov. 8, with president, Mrs. W. H. Stinespring at her home on State street, West Lafayette. Preceding a delightful program of musical numbers and a reading by Mrs. A. M. King, a business session was held. A report of the state convention was listened to with much interest, as given by Mrs. J. M. Strate. The most important parts of the business of the convention were brought out. In response to the roll call the members gave quotations from the life of Miss Willard. A social hour followed.

THE MONON UNION held a very excellent Mothers' Meeting at the home of Mrs. Ella Bouyer, Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings. Business pertaining to the temperance and benevolent work was discussed, followed by a number of select readings pertaining to motherhood and children. Mrs. R. P. Cole was present in the interest

of the Railroad department. A social hour was spent and one new member was secured. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. J. Bradley.

THE FRANCES WILLIARD UNION enjoyed a ride to the beautiful country home of Mr. and Mrs. William Robinson, where they were royally entertained. An interesting business session was held and reports from the state convention were given by Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Turkington. The reports were full of good cheer and information from the convention. Several visitors were present and during the social hour two new members were secured. The afternoon was most thoroughly enjoyable to all.—Mrs. R. P. Cole, Press Supt.

MONROE COUNTY—The W. C. T. U. convention was held at the beautiful new M. E. church at Bloomington, September 22, with large attendance. Delegates from Smithville, Ellettsville and Stinesville. Welcome address by Mrs. Rev. Kroft. Response by Mrs. Lillian Litten. Then followed reports of county superintendents which showed a successful year. Stinesville delegates were surprised to know that they carried off most of the banner, as follows: Flower Mission, Mrs. Dunn; Evangelistic, Mrs. Hoadley; Scientific Temperance, Mrs. Litten; Literature, Mrs. Miller. The Bloomington Union served an elegant dinner in the basement of the church. Officers elected as follows: President, Mrs. Ella Kroft; vice president, Mrs. Lillian Litten; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Russell; recording secretary, Mrs. Vonvaren; treasurer, Mrs. Sandys; superintendent of departments: Flower Mission, Mrs. Dunn; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Hoadley; Evangelistic, Mrs. Stigleman; Scientific Temperance, Mrs. Fife.

An excellent address given by Mrs. A. D. Leach of Sullivan on "Franchise." Mrs. Leach was the first female lawyer of the state, and is a candidate for legislature. This was followed by short talks by different speakers of the city. After a solo by Mr. Templeton the meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. Russell.—Mrs. Stigleman, Press Supt.

STINESVILLE W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. Ray Dunn with a good attendance. President Mrs. Welch in the chair. Rev. Moss of Martinsville was an invited guest. Report of the state convention at Ft. Wayne by Delegates Mrs. Welch and Mrs. Easton were enjoyed by all. The hostess served dainty refreshments.—Mrs. Stigleman.

MARSHALL COUNTY—A very promising Y. was organized at Santa Anna school house in Marshall county November 6, with sixteen members and good prospects for many more. Officers elected were, president, Miss Lois Shaw; vice president, Miss Mary Irwin; corresponding secretary, Mr. Beryl Shaw; recording secretary, Miss Letty Savage; treasurer, Miss Edna Cooper, P. O., Argus R. D.

When you read this, please ask God's blessing upon these young people.—Amanda R. Shedd.

THE OWEN COUNTY W. C. T. U. met in convention September 30th in the M. E. church at Gosport. The morning service was given mostly to the election of officers, appointment of committees and report of committees and local unions. A parliamentary drill was given by Mrs. McClaren of the Spencer Union.

The afternoon session was opened by a consecration service by Mrs. Alice Wampler, president of the Gosport union, followed by an instrumental trio. Mrs. Johnson of the Spencer union read an excellent paper on L. T. L. work which inspired us all with a greater desire to establish the work in each local union.

Mrs. Wall of the Gosport union read a most excellent paper on the Mothers' department. She being a true, devoted mother, could well write on this subject. As she read one could not help praising the thousands of mothers who have the spiritual welfare of their children before them and their responsibility in rearing them for God. Our hearts went out in sympathy for the dear little ones who have mothers who are careless and thoughtless of their training.

Mrs. Alice Wampler, county superintendents of Mothers' department, asked the mothers who were desirous of consecrating their babies to a life of purity to bring them to the front.

Little Robert Asahel Wampler, aged two months, Lawrence Lee Wall, age three years, Paul Alexander Sexson, age 3, and Edith Elizabeth Sexson, age five years, were presented and the white ribbon tied on them; thus becoming members of the W. R. C. R. of the Gosport W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Mary Wampler read a paper on "Our Needs as a W. C. T. U."

There were other papers, readings, duetts, etc., all of which were splendid.

The convention closed to meet with the Carp Union next year.—Lulu S. Wampler, Press Supt. of Gosport Union.

Department Superintendents of Jay County—Christian Citizenship, Millie Leavell, Redkey; Flower Mission, Mrs. Kate Keesair, Redkey; Moral Education and White Ribbon Recruits, Lucy Hiatt, Portland; Mercy, Libbie Edmundson, Balbec; Medical Temperance, Mrs. J. G. Bennett, Bellfontain; Press, Gertrude Campbell, Redkey; Systematic Giving, Minnie Brotherton, Dunkirk; Sabbath Observance, Jennie Harris, Balbec; Franchise, Maggie Williamson, Redkey; Jail and Prison, Mrs. L. C. Boer, Portland; Scientific Temperance, Maud Hooper, Pennville; Temperance Lit-

erature, Mrs. J. T. Gilum, Redkey; Contest, Martha Faulkner, Dunkirk; Evangelistic, Minnie Miller, Dunkirk; Parliamentary, Gertrude Fulton, Portland; Anti-Nicorotics, Nettie Stouvenour, Portland.

The Rockport W. C. T. U. has not been idle during the past year. We had a tent at our fair, maintained a rest room and distributed about 1200 pages of literature and about the same amount at other times and places during the year. We hold our meetings every two weeks. For the last eight months we have been paying five dollars a month rent on a building that was formerly occupied by a saloon, but now by a Mission Sunday School. We have also purchased an organ to be used in the school. We have interesting meetings with good programs and have gained a number of new members during the year. Observed Flower Mission Day and have distributed more than one hundred bouquets. Have an L. T. L. of boys only and want to do some work this winter along the line of essay work in the public schools.—M. R. H. Press. Supt.

BOONE COUNTY—Convention was held at Lebanon, Zionsville and Thorntown represented. Very interesting reports were given and plans made for the year's work. Officers elected: Pres., Mrs. Mary D. Hendricks, of Lebanon; Vice Pres., Mrs. Foreman of Zionsville; Cor Sec., Mrs. Viola Carson; Rec Sec., Mrs. Gurtha Stevenson; Treas., Mrs. Emma Stevenson.

The appointment of superintendents were as follows: Flower mission, Mrs. W. Loughlin, of Thorntown; medal contest, Mrs. Hendricks, with Mrs. Wall, assistant, of Lebanon; legislation, Mrs. Foreman, of Zionsville; mother's meetings, Mrs. Frank Anderson, of Zionsville; press, Mrs. Ida Grove; Sunday School, Mrs. Faucett, of Thorntown; summer assemblies, Mrs. Kate Foreman; scientific temperance, Mrs. Mattie Peery, Thorntown; temperance literature, Mrs. Emma Stephenson; evangelistic, Mrs. Ayres; Franchise, Mrs. Mary D. Hendricks; Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Mary H. Smith, Zionsville; Purity, Mrs. Leista, of Thorntown.

MARION COUNTY—The Indianapolis Frances Willard Union was well represented at the county convention. The newly elected officers are: Pres., Mrs. George B. McKee, 2911 N. Capitol Ave; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Dr. Jordan, 929 W. 27th St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. E. A. Kemp, 1039 W. 27th St.; Treas., Mrs. A. K. Guyer, 2917 N. Capitol Ave.

The Union is doing good work, much inspiration was gained by the splendid report and addresses at the county convention. The suffering and wretchedness among our people of Indianapolis as portrayed by Judge Stubbs of the Juvenile Court, the result of the drink curse could not but nerve each heart to greater effort for its banishment.

Rev. George B. McKees' warm attitude in acknowledging woman's equality and his vigorous insistence of her right to suffrage were indeed encouraging toward greater advancement.

A good meeting was recently held with Mrs. Wood, 214 S. East Street, where the State Convention reports were made by the delegates, Mrs. G. B. McKee, Mrs. L. E. Scott and Mrs. E. A. Kemp. All spoke enthusiastically of the splendid work of the great Fort Wayne convention.

Mrs. Kemp, Flower Mission Superintendent, received seven large boxes of cut flowers from Mrs. Strunger of Berne. These were made into about 200 bouquets and distributed among the sick, the poor, the aged and some special friends. Those who assisted in distributing the flowers said they never had seen so many flowers in a private collection. They brought much joy and happiness to many people.

The Union arranged for and furnished the funds with which to start an L. T. L. class. Mrs. Mary McDermid, Souty Supt., takes charge until some permanent local leader is found. It was decided to hold these meetings at different homes each week, in order to reach more children, also with the hope that more mothers would become interested.

One social meeting has been held since the convention and a Christmas Handkerchief Bazaar will be held early in December at the home of Mrs. A. R. Gray, College Ave. The many dainty kerchiefs are now being made for this bazaar. Watch the newspaper announcements.—Mrs. Mary McDermid.

Field Notes—The Brightwood W. C. T. U. met October 20 at Mrs. Werner's on Wheeler street and our first meeting of this month was held with Mrs. Roy Jordan. The afternoon was spent in a business way. The loss of our President, Mrs. Rash, made it necessary to elect a new one, Mrs. Kirby being chosen. The program for the coming year were received which we hope to carry out to the best of our ability.—Mrs. L. Parsley.

Indianapolis Central Union held a very interesting meeting recently with the president, Mrs. W. N. Norris, 716 King Ave. There was a good attendance and a program of unusual interest. Dr. C. S. Woods, secretary of the city Board of health was the speaker and in a very clear and practical manner he spoke of the vital conditions concerning the child, the home and the school.

Marion County L. T. L. Work—Since the first of last April Mrs. Mary McDermid, County Superintendent L. T. L. conducted a class averaging twenty pupils, for fourteen weeks, assisted by Mrs. Saucer and Mrs. Kelly of the South Side union. Meetings were held in Emanuel Baptist church, corner of Laurel St. and Woodlawn ave. Taught effect of alcohol on the "body" and on the "mind".

